



May 5, 2024—8:30 and 9:45 am
Sanctuary

"He who believes in the gospel must become weak and foolish before men, so that he may be strong and wise in the power and wisdom of God." -Martin Luther, Commentary on Romans

Prelude

Community Life Update

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Psalm 143:8-10

Leader: Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,

All: for in you I trust.

Leader: Make me know the way I should go,

All: for to you I lift up my soul.

Leader: Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord!

All: I have fled to you for refuge.

Leader: Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!

All: Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Praise

MR Kids Song of the Month

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!

What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

"How Firm A Foundation" Words: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, Public Domain, 18th c.; Music: Trad. American

New Member Vows and Baptisms

Doxology

** Please stand if you are able.*

*Hymn of Worship

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart,
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r.
Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war;
You have loved and purchased me, make me yours forever more.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice,
Did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your word to me,
Through the gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life, that's dependent on your grace,
Keep my heart and guard my soul, from the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.
O great God of highest heav'n, glorify your Name through me.

"O Great God" Words and Music: Bob Kaullin © 2006 Sovereign Grace Praise, Song No. 4804015, CCLI No. 789870

Confession of Sin

Matthew 5:33-37

"Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.

Moment of Silent Confession

Words of Grace and Peace

Luke 15:7

"Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

*Hymn of Worship

K4-K5 may leave for Kids Ministry.

8:30 am—One parent will need to escort the child to volunteers in the Commons Area for Kids Church.

9:45 am—One parent will need to escort the child downstairs to join Kids Sunday School.

Amazing grace! —how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

"Amazing Grace" Words: John Newton, Public Domain, 1779; Music: Trad. American

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Romans 1

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Andy Lewis

Communion Prayer

Based on The Valley of Vision prayer, "The Lord's Supper"

Leader: God of all good, You have prepared for us a feast; and because we are unworthy in ourselves to sit down as guests, we wholly rest on the merits of Jesus and hide ourselves in His righteousness.

All: In this supper we remember the agony of the cross and the cost of redemption.

We rejoice in Your eternal love, boundless grace, and infinite compassion.

Leader: We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

An usher will invite you forward. The bread and wine offered by the elders can be taken at your pew at any time.

If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand to be served at your pew.

Choral Meditation

Where Can I Go?

Where can I go? Where can I go? Where can I go from You?

O Lord, You've searched and known my ways; You trace my paths, You count my days.
If I ascend unto the heavens, You are there, You are there.

Even before my voice is heard, You read each thought, You know each word,
And surely darkness cannot hide me, You are there.

Where can I go, O Lord, from You? If I should flee, You would pursue.
Though I should take the wings of morning, I am known, I am known.

Within the womb You formed my frame. You saw my face, You know my name.
Your hands have woven me together, I am known, I am known, I am known!

All-knowing Lord, You test my heart; You search out ev'ry inward part.
Where can I go except to You, Lord? You alone.

Where can I go? Where can I go? You are there. You are there.

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Communion Hymns

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim—
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

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There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O, my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.
Thank you, O, my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Response

When I stand in glory, I will see His face, there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.
Thank you, O, my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.
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*Benediction

*Postlude

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Assisting in Worship Today: Preacher: Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor
Liturgist: Kevin Couch, Ruling Elder (8:30); Jason Yon, Local Outreach and Mercy Director (9:45)

New Today? Welcome!

We're so glad you are here! Fill out a blue Connect Card and stop by and turn it in at the Welcome Desk for a free gift. Also, join us for coffee in the Welcome Center between 9:30 and 11:15 am. We would love to meet you. Learn more about our schedule, events and ministry here:

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May Elective Begins Today—Encounters with Jesus taught by Neel Skelton

You cannot come into the presence of God and stay the same. In May, we will be looking at different people's encounters with Jesus in the gospels and the transformative power of those interactions. Through their interactions, we will consider what it looks like for us to encounter Jesus in our own lives and how we too can be changed by his power and grace. Join us in the Learning Commons every Sunday in May at 9:45 am.

Children's Choir Spring Sing! Today at 4:30pm in the Sanctuary

Join our K4 through 5th graders of the Cherub Choir and Covenant Singers as they share their favorite songs from the past year! Experience the joy of the Lord in this short but sweet program of anthems and hymns.