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Here we post current prayer concerns of those with health needs and those in need of comfort, the full scriptural text for today's service, a link to give online, and important announcements about the life of our church.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"O WORSHIP THE KING" | #2 IN THE HYMNAL

O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail.
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,
Whom angels delight to worship above!
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,
In true adoration shall sing to your praise!

CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM PSALM 47

- › Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.
- » **For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome,
a great King over all the earth.**
- › God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
- » **Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"THIS IS AMAZING GRACE"

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings!

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings!

*This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love:
That you would take my place, that you would bear my cross.
You laid down your life that I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that you've done for me.*

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings!

Who rules the nations with truth and justice?
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings!

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.

"JESUS, YOUR MERCY"

Jesus, your mercy is all my plea.
I have no defense, my guilt runs too deep.
The best of my works pierced your hands and your feet.
Jesus, your mercy is all my plea!

Jesus, your mercy is all my boast.
The goodness I claim, the grounds of my hope.
Whatever I lack, it's still what I need most.
Jesus, your mercy is all my boast!

*Praise the King who bore my sin,
Took my place when I stood condemned.
Oh, how good you've always been to me.
I will sing of your mercy.*

Jesus, your mercy is all my rest.
When fears weigh me down and enemies press,
A comfort I cling to in life and in death.
Jesus, your mercy is all my rest!

Jesus, your mercy is all my joy.
Forever I'll lift my heart and my voice,
To sing of a treasure no power can destroy.
Jesus, your mercy is all my joy!

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

» **Merciful God,**
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.

SILENT CONFESSION

The Lord is steadfast, merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in love. He extends his mercy to us and receives us as we are. Let's bring our confessions to the Lord silently.

WORDS OF COMFORT

- › Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
- » **Only Christ.**
- › And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; the new life has begun!
Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.
- » **Thanks be to God!**

GREETING OF PEACE

As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, pass the peace of Christ to one another as you're able.

THANKSGIVING

OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- › Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » **For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.**

Please be praying for our mission partner Young Lives, a branch of Young Life which reaches out with the gospel and Christ's love to pregnant and parenting teen moms and their children.

"TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU" (WILLIAMS/NOLAN)

Take my yoke upon you; come and learn from me.
Take my yoke upon you; I will give you peace.
Are you weak and heavy-laden,
Are you lonely and distressed?
Come and bring your every longing,
Come and I will give you rest. Oh, I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you; come and learn from me.
Take my yoke upon you; I will give you peace.
Come and bring your sorrows, lay them at my feet.
Bring to me your burdens; I will set you free.

Take my yoke upon you; come and learn from me.
Take my yoke upon you; I will give you peace.

Want to make a gift this morning? You can drop it in the basket in the Commons or give online at thirdrva.org/give.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PROCLAIMING

SCRIPTURE READING | 1 SAMUEL 13:2-14

Read along in your Bible or the online guide for this Sunday at thirdrva.org/this-sunday.

SERMON | "THE KING FALTERS: IMPATIENT DISOBEDIENCE"

RESPONDING

THE APOSTLES' CREED

- › Christians, what do you believe?
- » **I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**
- I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.**
- Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- › Lift up your hearts!
- » **We lift them up to the Lord.**
- › Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- » **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- › Holy and merciful God, our Father, you have made us in your image and for yourself. You have made this good world for us to tend and to enjoy. God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**
- › You sought your ancient people when they strayed from you. You freed them from the oppressor and brought them home. God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**
- › You have sent your Son to bring us home to you. By his Incarnation—
- » **You have found us.**
- › By his Death—
- » **You have forgiven us.**
- › By his Resurrection—
- » **You have freed us.**
- › God, our Father,
- » **Hear the praise of grateful hearts.**

The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is one of the two sacraments we celebrate (the other is baptism). It's one of the most important things we do when we gather together, because the bread and juice are concrete signs of what Jesus has done for us on the cross. When we come forward to receive them, we believe that Jesus is actually present through the Holy Spirit, extending his grace and forgiveness to us. We welcome anyone to the table who is willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation. If you are not able to receive Communion, we invite you to use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers:

PRAYER OF THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

"Lord Jesus, you claim to be the Way, the Truth and the Life. Help me to be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Lead me into the light and life you promise. Amen."

PRAYER OF BELIEF

"Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am more blind and sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete acceptance. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen."

Adapted from prayers written by Rev. Scot Sherman, Redeemer Presbyterian Church

- › In union with Jesus Christ of Nazareth, our Great High Priest, and with all who worship you, both in heaven and on earth, we offer you our praise, singing:
 - » **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he, blessed is he Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**
- #### PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
- › Holy and merciful God, our Father, send down your Holy Spirit on our bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ, and on your people, that we may be the body of Christ, reconciled to you and to each other by his blood. By your Holy Spirit make us—
 - » **One with Christ, one with each other, and one in mission to all the world,**
 - › Until Christ shall come in final victory and we feast together at his heavenly banquet. We cry,
 - » **Maranatha! Even so, come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen!**

- › “The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”

As we take the elements together, spend a few moments meditating on the mercy of God given to us in Jesus’ death and resurrection. Praise and thank God for his gift of love that binds us together in unity through Jesus’ sacrifice!

THE LORD’S PRAYER

- » **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.**

SENDING

“FATHER, LET YOUR KINGDOM COME”

*Hallelu, hallelujah! Father, let your kingdom come.
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May the works of my hands bring you joy.

May the works of my hands bring you joy.

May the works of my hands bring you joy.

May the works of my hands bring you joy.

May the words from my mouth speak your peace.

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You make all things new. You make all things new

In places we don’t choose. You make all things new.

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | FROM HEBREWS 12:1–3

- › Therefore, let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

- » **For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

- › Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Amen.

POSTLUDE