

Order of Worship
5/3/2020

Invocation Prayer

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Song: Victory in Jesus - 370

I heard an old, old story,
How a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary
To save a wretch like me;
I heard about His groaning,
Then I repented of my sins;
And won the victory.

Refrain:

O victory in Jesus,
My Savior, forever.
He sought me and bought me
With His redeeming blood;
He loved me ere I knew Him,
And all my love is due Him,
He plunged me to victory,
Beneath the cleansing flood

I heard about His healing,
Of His cleansing power revealing.
How He made the lame to walk again
And caused the blind to see;
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
Come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and
brought
To me the victory.
[Refrain]

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory.
And I heard about the streets of gold
Beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing,
And the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing up there
The song of victory.
[Refrain]

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

Leader: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long. All: Jesus, loving shepherd, we hear your voice, and we know the price you paid because of your love for us. Help me to move beyond hearing and knowing to accepting the life you offer us and committing ourselves to serving, giving you all honor, glory, and praise. Amen.

Memory Verse

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3)

Song: Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me - 361

1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
save from wrath and make me pure.

2 Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save, and thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to the cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.

Joys & Concerns

Praises

- The beautiful flowers blooming and that spring is coming
- Health

Concerns

- Nancy & Darryl
- Merle & Bea
- Penny
- Jack - on hospice
- Pray for our scientists and health care personnel so that they have insight and stay safe.
 - All care givers and essential workers.
- Pray for health and family
- Pray for those out of work due to the pandemic.
- For Jason who had esophageal cancer surgery in Pitts. And has to be there all alone because of the pandemic
- For Jay and family in Michigan
- Sean Ferry
- President Trump, Governor Wolf and all governing officials
- Paul Weidle
- Sandy Williams
- Linda Maloney going through radiation now
- Please pray for Cheryl Howard going back to Cleveland clinic today several medical problems
- Bob Nostrom brain cancer he's not doing going works as EMT for Emergycare was on ground zero on 9/11 now has cancer
- Ron Blasco
- Sue Merison
- Chuck Thompson
- Ed Styborski
- Verel and Sandy's son in law Noe - He has a brain tumor on both sides Causing loss of memory, waiting for surgery
- Carly Dahlkemper - improved blood work results

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever. Amen.

Offering

I know there are many who are struggling with unemployment and financial uncertainty. I want to thank you for the gifts of tithes and offerings you all have been sending. You all have continued to be generous and good stewards of our church building and our people. I thank you for how you are continuing to honor God by furthering His Kingdom.

Sending your checks in by mail is best (P.O. Box 808 Waterford).

Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

Scripture

Philippians 1:18b-26 (NLT)

And I will continue to rejoice. **19** For I know that as you pray for me and the Spirit of Jesus Christ helps me, this will lead to my deliverance.

20 For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die. **21** For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better. **22** But if I live, I can do more fruitful work for Christ. So I really don't know which is better. **23** I'm torn between two desires: I long to go and be with Christ, which would be far better for me. **24** But for your sakes, it is better that I continue to live.

25 Knowing this, I am convinced that I will remain alive so I can continue to help all of you grow and experience the joy of your faith. **26** And when I come to you again, you will have even more reason to take pride in Christ Jesus because of what he is doing through me.

Song: Standing on the Promises - 374

1 Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain:

Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

2 Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

3 Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

4 Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Benediction