

THE LORD'S DAY

July 5, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Have Thine Own Way, Lord Stebbins/Southbridge

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 19

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God;

People: the skies proclaim the work of his hands!

Leader: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.

People: There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard.

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul.
The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

People: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, our Rock and our Redeemer.

INVOCATION

*HYMN 75 O Father, You Are Sovereign

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON: Our Father, we confess how often we think the events of our lives are merely random. Too often we act as if no one is in control. Too often we doubt that you are actively and perfectly ruling the world you have created. Forgive us these and all our sins of disbelief and remind us that you are the Lord of all creation. Help us to realize that even the storms of life have a place in your economy, and that no one is truly in danger who trusts in you through the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. For it is in his Name that we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ephesians 2:1,4,5

LEADER: As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins ... but because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved.

*GLORIA PATRI 735

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 8

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Ellor/Turner

*DOXOLOGY 733

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 2:1-11

*HYMN 522 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SERMON LORD OF ALL
Luke 8:22-25
Dr. John Muhlfeld

*HYMN 630 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE God and Nation Scriveyner

**Congregation standing*

*Welcome to all worshipping with us today.
We trust the Lord will strengthen and encourage you
through our fellowship together.*

Serving this morning:

Worship Leaders - Rob Barbadoro, John Rohrman
Musician - Helen Ro
Audio/Visual Technicians - Steve Bikle, Jeff Carrier

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O Father, You Are Sovereign

The LORD Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back? Is. 14:27

1. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign in all the worlds you made;
 2. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign in all af-fairs of man;
 3. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign, the Lord of hu-man pain,
 4. O Fa-ther, you are sov-ereign! We see you dim-ly now,

your might-y word was spo-ken and light and life o-beyed.
 no pow'rs of death or dark-ness can thwart your per-fect plan.
 trans-mut-ing earth-ly sor-rows to gold of heav'n-ly gain.
 but soon be-fore your tri-umph earth's ev-ery knee shall bow.

Your voice com-mands the sea-sons and bounds the o-cean's shore,
 All chance and change tran-scend-ing, su-preme in time and space,
 All e-vil o-ver-rul-ing, as none but Con-qu'ror could,
 With this glad hope be-fore us our faith springs up a-new:

sets stars with-in their cours-es and stills the tem-pest's roar.
 you hold your trust-ing chil-dren se-cure in your em-brace.
 your love pur-sues its pur-pose—our souls' e-ter-nal good.
 our sov-ereign Lord and Sav-ior, we trust and wor-ship you!

Margaret Clarkson, 1982
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 ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.
 Melchior Teschner, ca. 1615

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 3:11

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
 2. When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un-
 3. His oath, his cov-e-nant, his blood sup-port me in the
 4. When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

righ-teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang-ing grace; in ev-ery high and storm-y gale, my
 whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my soul gives way, he
 him be found; dressed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, fault-

REFRAIN
 whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.
 an-chor holds with-in the veil. On Christ, the sol-id
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be-fore the throne.

rock, I stand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Edward Mote, 1834
 ST. PETERSBURG 8.8.8.8.8
 Dmitri Borhiansky, 1825

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, you still them. Ps. 89:9

1. E-ter-nal Fa-ther, strong to save, whose arm doth bind the
 2. O Sav-ior, whose al-might-y word the winds and waves sub-
 3. O sa-cred Spir-it, who didst brood up-on the cha-os
 4. O Trin-i-ty of love and pow'r, our breth-ren shield in

rest-less wave, who bidd'st the might-y o-cean deep its
 mis-sive heard, who walk-edst on the foam-ing deep and
 dark and rude, who badd'st its an-gry tu-mult cease, and
 dan-ger's hour; from rock and tem-pest, fire and foe, pro-

own ap-point-ed lim-its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a-mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we
 gav-est light and life and peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where-so-e'er they go; and ev-er let there

cry to thee for those in per-il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per-il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per-il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting, 1860, 1869
 MELITA 8.8.8.8.8
 John B. Dykes, 1861

ANNOUNCEMENTS

By the Lord's grace, Covenant is happy to offer three options for live worship on Sunday mornings. Anyone who wishes is welcome to join us in the sanctuary or indoor overflow room (where safety protocols such as physical spacing and masks will be observed). You may also join us outside under our pavilion for a broadcast of the service (no masks required if physical spacing is practiced). Or, if you are not yet ready to return in person, our live stream will continue to be broadcast each Sunday at 10:30am.

Our in-person Sunday School classes, nursery, and junior church program remain on hold for the summer, but our outdoor playground is now open. Physical spacing and the use of hand sanitizer are recommended.

Even if you will not be physically present for worship on Sunday, everyone is welcome to gather outdoors following the service for a time of fellowship in a shady spot. It has been a blessing to see one another during our re-opening process and we would love to see you as the Lord leads!

Pastor Muhlfeld will be on vacation July 6-13th. Please feel free to contact the church office or Pastor Rich at home if there is a need arises.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND PRAISE

Health Related

Winnie Bikle

Ethel Castor

Rich Fisher

Peggy Garver

Poke and Peg Hasson

Herb McCarter

Denis Stager

Expecting

Nancy Hillman

Caroline Smith

Christine Verbasselt

Grieving

Phillips Family

Schmidt Family

Missions

Bryan Stoudt is the former Area Director for the Christian Medical and Dental Association (CMDA) of Philadelphia. He and his family are in the process of relocating to Arizona, where Bryan will be serving with the Western division of CMDA. He and his wife Sharon will also be working with the Paraclete Mission Group as they mentor young couples who are preparing for marriage.

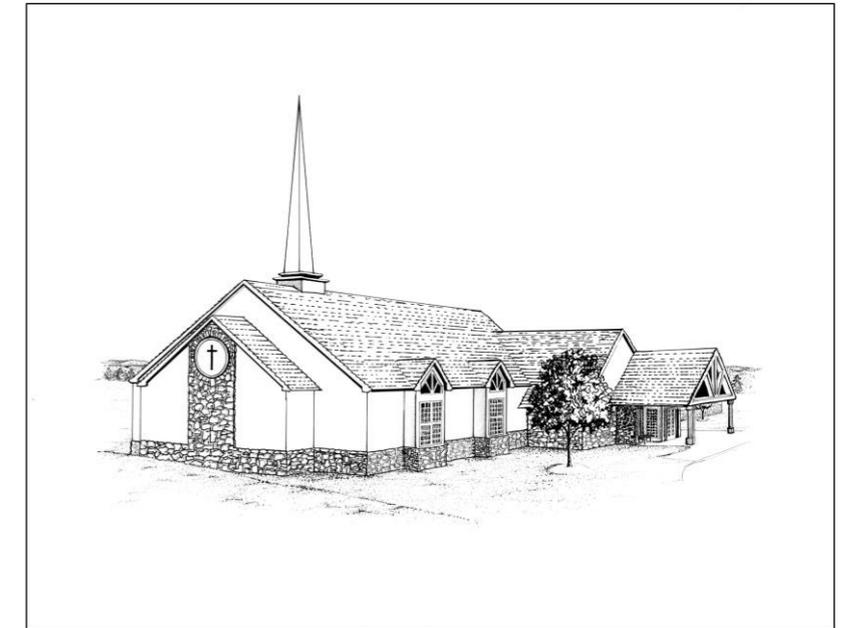
God has recently answered many prayer requests for the Stoudts:

- They sold their home in PA to a wonderful Christian family who serve in healthcare; and they were able to find a home in Arizona that is in the location they wanted with all the features that they need.
- Although the past few months have been emotional and busy, the Stoudts feel that this was probably the best season their family has ever had, being close to one another and the Lord.
- Bryan is thankful for an encouraging Zoom call with the CMDA Western Regional Director and some Phoenix-area healthcare professionals. It was a great time to begin forming new relationships, casting vision and praying for what God may do through all of them in the months to come.

Please pray for the following:

- Good interactions as they start meeting healthcare students and professionals in Arizona
- Protection from Covid-19 as it is surging in Arizona
- That their new school district would be able to meet the needs of their son with Autism

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grow together in the grace of Christ,
and advance the kingdom of Christ,
all to the glory and worship of God forever.*