

### Sunday, June 28, 2020

Join us live on our Facebook page beginning at 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome and Announcements

### **Opening Prayer**

Hymn: "O Word of God Incarnate"

Traditional Irish folk tune, words by William H. How

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky; we praise You for the radiance that from the hallowed page, a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from her dear Master, received the gift divine, and still that light is lifted on all the earth to shine. It is the chart and compass that all life's voyage through, 'mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ, to you.

O make Your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold, to bear before the nations Your true light as of old. Teach us, your wandering pilgrims, by this our path to trace, till, clouds and darkness ended, we see You face to face.

### Song: "His Mercy Is More"

Words and music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell.

What love could remember no wrongs we have done? Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum. Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, Our sins they are many; His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn'. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more. What patience would wait as we constantly roam? What Father, so tender, is calling us home? He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn'. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us. His blood was the payment; His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn'. Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

# Scripture Reading and Prayer: Psalm 139 (ESV)

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF DAVID.

- O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
- <sup>2</sup> You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- <sup>3</sup> You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.
- <sup>4</sup> Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.
- You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
- <sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.
- Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?
- If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
  If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
- If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.
- 11 If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"
- even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works;

my soul knows it very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

- Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.
- How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
- If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you.
- Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God!
  O men of blood, depart from me!
- They speak against you with malicious intent; your enemies take your name in vain.
- Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD?

  And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?
- I hate them with complete hatred; I count them my enemies.
- Search me, O God, and know my heart!

  Try me and know my thoughts!
- And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

## Sermon: "Whoever Finds Me Finds Life" Proverbs 8 (ESV)

Does not wisdom call?

Does not understanding raise her voice?

On the heights beside the way,

at the crossroads she takes her stand;

- beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud:
- <sup>4</sup> "To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man.
- O simple ones, learn prudence; O fools, learn sense.
- Hear, for I will speak noble things, and from my lips will come what is right,
- <sup>7</sup> for my mouth will utter truth;

wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

- All the words of my mouth are righteous; there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.
- <sup>9</sup> They are all straight to him who understands, and right to those who find knowledge.

Take my instruction instead of silver, and knowledge rather than choice gold,

for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

<sup>12</sup> "I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion.

The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.

Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.

I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength.

By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just;

by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly.

I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me.

Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness.

My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver.

I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice,

granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries.

<sup>22</sup> "The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.

Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,

before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world.

When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,

when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman,

and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,

rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man.

<sup>32</sup> "And now, O sons, listen to me: blessed are those who keep my ways.

Hear instruction and be wise,

and do not neglect it.

- Blessed is the one who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting beside my doors.
- For whoever finds me finds life and obtains favor from the LORD,
- but he who fails to find me injures himself; all who hate me love death."

### Hymn: "I'd Rather Have Jesus"

Words by Rhea F. Miller, music by George Beverly Shea

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold; I'd rather be His than have riches untold; I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands; I'd rather be led by His nail pierced hand

Than to be the king of a vast domain or be held in sin's dread sway. I'd rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today.

I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause; I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause; I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame; I'd rather be true to His holy name

Than to be the king of a vast domain or be held in sin's dread sway. I'd rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today.

He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom; He's sweeter than honey from out the comb; He's all that my hungering spirit needs; I'd rather have Jesus and let Him lead

Than to be the king of a vast domain or be held in sin's dread sway. I'd rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today.

### Benediction Jude 24–25 (ESV)

<sup>24</sup>Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup> to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.