WORSHIPING THE GOD OF GRACE

September 30, 2018 - 10:30 AM

Please silence all communication devices. Hearing Assistance Devices and Large Print Bibles are available; please ask an Usher. Children's Bulletins and "Quiet Bags" are available at the Welcome Table.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP I Know Whom I Have Believed

Arr. by Jim Lucas

Please take this time to quietly meditate on the following Scripture passage as you prepare your heart to worship the Lord.

[The Apostle Paul said,] "For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it."

Galatians 1:13 (ESV)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 25:1, 4, 8-9 (ESV)

As God's Word calls us to worship, let's shout these words to one another recognizing that our worship is a response to God's gracious call.

Leader: O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you;

People: I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old,

faithful and sure.

Leader: For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in distress, a shelter

from the storm.

People: He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all

faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

Leader: for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day,

ALL: "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the

LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

*HYMN OF PRAISE #77 (stanzas 1, 3, 5) Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Elder David Haas

*WORSHIP IN SONG

Nothing But The Blood Of Jesus
O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

*GREETING OF PEACE

Romans 5:1-2 (ESV)

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you, offering them the right hand of fellowship and the peace which is only found in Christ.

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand,

and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Ephesians 6:18 (ESV)

[Pray] at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshiping with you. Thank you! The offering is a vital part of our response to God and God's Word. It helps us connect our adoration for God with our life of discipleship.

Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15 (ESV)

OFFERTORY

Sing to Jesus

By Fernando Ortega & Rich Nibbe

SERMON

"Philip The Evangelist"

Rev. Dave Stain
Pastor, Spring Hills Presbyterian Church

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #580 (stanzas 1-2) Lead On, O King Eternal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

After the public confession below, you are encouraged to confess your sins silently to God.

Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer. We confess that it is still all too easy for us to sacrifice our convictions for convenience, Your standards for status, Your principles for promotion, Your absolutes for our ambition, our souls for shallow and unsatisfying success. How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or possessions—seduced into violating our integrity or harming our fellowship with You. From earth's fullest bliss we turn to You again, unfulfilled. Forgive us our half-hearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. In the name of Him who humbled Himself and gave Himself for our sin, we pray, Amen.

COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

Psalm 130:3-4, 7 (ESV)

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is a physical action, mandated by Jesus, through which God acts to nourish, sustain, comfort, challenge, teach, and assure us. The celebration of the Lord's Supper nourishes our faith and stirs our imaginations to perceive the work of God and the contours of the gospel more clearly.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Luke 22:15-20 (ESV)

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

[there is a gluten-free option on the bread tray]

Please feel free to eat the bread when you are served to signify that Christ's death was for you as an individual.

Please hold the cup until all have been served so that we may partake together signifying that the Christ's death was for the Body of Christ called from before the foundation of the world.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #580 (stanzas 1, 3) Lead On, O King Eternal

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Lord's My Shepherd

Arr. by Larry Shackley

Spring Hills Presbyterian Church is committed to:

CHANGED HEARTS through the transforming power of the Gospel of Grace,
CHANGED LIVES through Biblical preaching, teaching, fellowship and discipleship, and a
CHANGED COMMUNITY, where the community is so transformed by the power of the Gospel
that it becomes predominately Christian and committed to the worship and service of our Triune God.