



Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church
Sunday Evening Worship & Prayer
January 10, 2021

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Call to Worship

Psalm 115:1-3

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

²Why should the nations say,
“Where is their God?”

³Our God is in the heavens;
he does all that he pleases.

Hymn of Praise

O Father, You Are Sovereign (#75)

*1. O Father, you are sovereign
in all the worlds you made;
your mighty word was spoken
and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons
and bounds the ocean's shore,
sets stars within their courses
and stills the tempests' roar.*

*2. O Father, you are sovereign
in all affairs of man;
no pow'rs of death or darkness
can thwart Your perfect plan.
All chance and change
transcending,
supreme in time and space,
you hold your trusting children
secure in your embrace.*

*3. O Father, you are sovereign
the Lord of human pain,
transmuting earthly sorrows
to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil over-ruling,
as none but Conqu'ror could,
your love pursues its purpose —
our souls' eternal good.*

*4. O Father, you are sovereign!
We see you dimly now,
but soon before your triumph
earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us
our faith springs up anew:
our sovereign Lord and Savior,
we trust and worship you!*

Invocation

Responsive Reading

Psalm 33:8-12

Leader: (v. 8): Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

People: (v. 9): **For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.**

Leader (v. 10): The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

People (v. 11): **The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.**

All (v. 12): **Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!**

Lesson

Daniel 1:1-7 ~ *Exiles in Babylon under Our Sovereign God*
Rev. Steve Light

In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. ² And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with some of the vessels of the house of God. And he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and placed the vessels in the treasury of his god. ³ Then the king commanded Ashpenaz, his chief eunuch, to bring some of the people of Israel, both of the royal family^[a] and of the nobility, ⁴ youths without blemish, of good appearance and skillful in all wisdom, endowed with knowledge, understanding learning, and competent to stand in the king's palace, and to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans. ⁵ The king assigned them a daily portion of the food that the king ate, and of the wine that he drank. They were to be educated for three years, and at the end of that time they were to stand before the king. ⁶ Among these were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah of the tribe of Judah. ⁷ And the chief of the eunuchs gave them names: Daniel he called Belteshazzar, Hananiah he called Shadrach, Mishael he called Meshach, and Azariah he called Abednego.

Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns #295

*1. Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem
drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.*

*2. Crown him the Lord of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning
eye
At mysteries so bright.
3. Crown him the Lord of peace;*

*Whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may
cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.*

*4. Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime:
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.*

Season of Prayer

*Children and youth may be dismissed at this time through the front sanctuary doors
(adjacent to the stage) to go to their classes on the third floor.*

Scripture Song

The Steadfast Love of the Lord Never Ceases

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
His mercies never come to an end,
They are new every morning, new every morning
Great is Thy faithfulness (Oh Lord)
Great is Thy faithfulness*

Dismissal

Dessert Reception in the Courtyard

*Please exit through the Courtyard where we will gather for a dessert reception to welcome the congregation of
Sojourner Presbyterian Church. Those with children in the nursery should pick up their children on their way
to the Courtyard. All other children's classes will be dismissed out to the Courtyard to meet parents.*

Sermon Notes