

Reflection

“To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.”

— Ephesians 6:18b-20

Musical Reflection

O Wherefore Do the Nations Rage? (sung by musicians)

1. O wherefore do the nations rage,
and kings and rulers strive in vain,
against the Lord of earth and heav’n
to overthrow Messiah’s reign?

2. Their strength is weakness in the sight
of him who sits enthroned above;
he speaks, and judgements fall on them
who tempt his wrath and scorn his love.

4. Be wise, ye rulers of the earth,
and serve the Lord with godly fear;
with rev’rent joy confess the Son
while yet in mercy he is near.

5. Delay not, lest his anger rise,
and ye should perish in your way;
lo, all that put their trust in him
are blest indeed, and blest always.

ENTERING GOD’S PRESENCE

Doxology

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

Call to Worship

from Psalm 2

Minister (v. 10-11): Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

People (v. 12): Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Invocation

Hymns of Praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name #296
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven #76

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Prayer of Confession and Pastoral Prayer

Words of Comfort and Promise

Hebrews 1:3-5

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”? Or again, “I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son”?

Hymn of Response

O Church of Christ Invincible

*1. O Church of Christ invincible, The people of the Lord;
Empowered by the Spirit’s breath, And nourished by His word.
His covenant of grace will be Our portion evermore;
For he who called us will not change, Our help and our reward*

*2. O chosen people called by grace, The sons of Abraham,
Who walk by faith in things unseen And on His promise stand,
That every nation of the earth Will hear of boundless love
That causes broken hearts to heal And pays our debts with blood.*

*3. O Church of Christ in sorrow now, Where evil lies in wait,
When trials and persecutions come This light will never fade.
For though the hordes of hell may rage, Their power will not endure;
Our times are in the Father’s hand, Our anchor is secure.*

*4. O Church of Christ upon that day, When all are gathered in,
When every tear is wiped away With every trace of sin;
Where justice, truth and beauty shine, And death has passed away;
Where God and man will dwell as one, For all eternity!*

Words and Music by Matt Boswell and Stuart Townend

RENEWING OUR FAITH

The Apostle’s Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy *catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The word "catholic" in its original use means "universal" or "worldwide." It is not a reference to the Roman Catholic Church..

Old Testament Reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Amen!

Psalm 2

(Pew Bible p. 448)

Hymn of Preparation

O Church Arise

*1. O church, arise and put your armor on;
Hear the call of Christ our captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"
Reaching out to those in darkness.*

*2. Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—
An inheritance of nations.*

*3. Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.*

*4. So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory.*

Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

At this time, children in pre-K through Kindergarten may be dismissed to the nursery classroom on the first floor.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Dr. Charles Hill

Mark 6:14-29 — “For What Should I Ask?”
(Pew Bible p. 841)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

We invite all baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, who are communicant members of a Bible-believing church, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully for Christ, to participate in the Lord’s Supper. According to 1 Corinthians 11, participating rightly in this meal requires us to understand what is happening, so we ask that children who have not yet been received into communicant membership not partake of the elements. If you think your child is ready to participate, please speak to one of the elders.

Musical Reflection

Christ the True and Better (sung by musicians)

1. Christ the true and better Adam; Son of God and Son of man.
Who, when tempted in the garden, never yielded, never sinned.
He, who makes the many righteous brings us back to life again.
Dying, He reversed the curse; then rising crushed the serpent’s head.

2. Christ the true and better Isaac; humble Son of sacrifice,
who would climb the fearful mountain, there to offer up his life.
Laid with faith upon the altar, Father’s joy and only son;
there salvation was provided, oh what full and boundless love.

Refrain: Amen, amen, from beginning to end.
Christ the story, His the glory; alleluia, amen!

3. Christ the true and better Moses, called to lead a people home;
standing bold to earthly powers, God’s great glory to be known.
With his arms stretched wide to heaven, see the waters part in two;
see the veil is torn forever, cleansed with blood we pass now through. Refrain

4. Christ, the true and better David; lowly shepherd, mighty king.
He the champion in the battle; where O death is now thy sting.
In our place He bled and conquered; Crown Him Lord of majesty.
His shall be the throne forever; We shall e’er his people be. Refrain

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Collection of Offering & Closing Hymn

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God #92

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adult Small Group — Join us on Saturdays, June 11th & 25th at 6:00 pm at the Meyers’ home! RSVP to Smith at smith.meyers56@gmail.com.

Wedding Ceremony — All are invited to attend the wedding ceremony of Emma Beth Fisher & Emmett Rechin here **this Friday, June 10th at 4:00 pm**. Please join us!

