

Leander Presbyterian Church
May 16, 2021
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Prelude

When Peace Like a River

Arr., Jay Althouse

Gathering & Call to Worship

From Psalm 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the instruction of the LORD, and on his instruction, they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so; but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore, the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Prayer

Hymn of Praise

Come, We That Love the Lord

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Prayer of Confession

From Isaiah 57: 11-21

Who did you dread and fear so that you lied, and did not remember me or give me a thought? Have I not kept silent even for a long time, and so you do not fear me? I will concede your righteousness and your works, but they will not help you.

When you cry out, let your collection of idols deliver you! The wind will carry them off, a breath will take them away. But whoever takes refuge in me shall possess the land and inherit my holy mountain.

It shall be said, "Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way."

For thus says the high and lofty one who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and lofty place, and also with those who are contrite and humble in spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

For I will not continually accuse, nor will I always be angry; for then the spirits would grow faint before me, even the souls that I have made. Because of their wicked covetousness I was angry; I struck them. I hid and was angry; they kept turning back to their own ways.

I have seen their ways, but I will heal them. I will lead them and repay them with comfort, creating for those who mourn the fruit of their lips: Peace, peace, to the far and the near, says the LORD. I will heal them.

But the wicked are like the tossing sea that cannot keep still; its waters toss up mire and mud. There is no peace, say my God, for the wicked.

(Personal, Silent Prayer of Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Gospel Reading

John 16:25- Chapter 17

Sermon

The Authority of Jesus Christ Invested

Hymn of Discipleship My Jesus, I love Thee

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Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Invitation to Discipleship

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Arr., Mark Hayes

Doxology

#544

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Response

In Christ There is No East or West

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Benediction

Postlude

A Charge to Keep I Have

#301

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Links: Website - <http://leanderpres.org>

Sermons - <http://leanderpres.org/sermonsworshipmusic.html>

Lyrics for Today's Hymns

Come, We that Love the Lord

Come, we that love the Lord,
and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord,
and thus surround the throne.

Let those refuse to sing
who never knew our God;
but children of the heavenly King
may speak their joys abroad.

The hill of Zion yields
a thousand sacred sweets
before we reach the heavenly fields,
or walk the golden streets.

Then let our songs abound,
and every tear be dry;
we're marching through Emmanuel's ground,
to fairer worlds on high.

My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
for thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me,
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight;
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In Christ There is No East or West

In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north;
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

3rd Stanza (Words copr.)

In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Readings

John 16: 25- Chapter 17

'I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures, but will tell you plainly of the Father. On that day you will ask in my name. I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and am going to the Father.'

His disciples said, 'Yes, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure of speech! Now we know that you know all things, and do not need to have anyone question you; by this we believe that you came from God.' Jesus answered them, 'Do you now believe? The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!'

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but

on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Prayers

May 9, 2021



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Allen Striker (Sharon)
Judy Luxton (Lila)
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Joys & Announcements

Minute for Mission: Life Itself Is A Stewardship

Bible Verse: Job 10: 5

Are your days like those of a mortal, or your years like those of a strong man? Human life carries a great responsibility with it. As Christians, we know that our lives are sacred trusts. We are the stewards of our lives. God depends on us to use our gifts to accomplish God's purposes.

Hill Country Community Ministry - Check HCCM's website for information on how to make donations.

Birthdays

5/10	Emogene Champion	5/13	Mary Cameron	5/17	Karen Thompson
5/19	Jessie Kirkpatrick	5/21	Evan Kirkpatrick	5/22	Barbara Tout

Calendar

Session meeting schedule for May 16th.

Services and other church activities have been suspended. Session reviews reopening each month.

Scriptures for May 23, 2021 – Acts 2: 1-21, Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b, Romans 8: 22-27, John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

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