COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | MAY 24, 2020



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ADORATION



PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP | John 15:7-11 and Psalm 36:5-9

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Adoration

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n to earth come down:
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit,
Let us find the promised rest:
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
'Till in heav'n we take our place,
'Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley, 1747/CCLI#109561

CONFESSION



Confession of Sin | Prayer from Valley of Vision

Gracious God, my heart praises you for the wonder of your love in Jesus,

The incarnate, despised, rejected, crucified sin-bearer;

In him your grace has almost out-graced itself,

In him your love to sinful rebels has reached its height;

O to love you with a love like this!

My heart is stone, melt it with your love,

My heart is locked, let your love be the master key to open it.

O Lover to the loveless,

It is your will that I should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength,

And my neighbor as myself.

But I am not sufficient for these things.

There is by nature no pure love in my soul;

Every affection in me is turned from you;

I am bound, as slave to lust.

I cannot love you, lovely as you are, until you set me free.

Lord Jesus, Master, Redeemer, Savior,

Come and take entire possession of me;

This is your right by purchase.

In the arms of love enfold and subdue my willful spirit.

You are the end of all means,

For if they lead me not to you, I go away empty.

Assurance of Pardon | Psalm 103:8-13, 1 Jn. 3:1a

The Lord is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide,

nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west.

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children,

so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

Hymns of Assurance

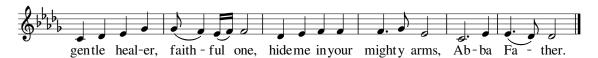
Abba Father

Here is Love, Vast as the Ocean

Abba Father

based on Romans 8:15





Here Is Love

William Rees (1802-1883)



FORMATION & COMMISSION



CATECHESIS | **Heidelberg Catechism:**

Q 1: Christian, what is your only hope in life and death? A: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way

that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head;

indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life

and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

READING OF THE WORD

Luke 15:3-32

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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.

Thomas Ken, 1709 | Louis Bourgeon's Genevan Psalter, 1551

SERMON

Love Knows No Enemies

Rev. Eric Irwin

MEDITATION

ACCOUNT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER | Matt. 26:20-29

Prayer for Communion and Reunion

Lord Jesus Christ, on the night on which you were betrayed, you prayed that we might be one, even as you and the Father are one. Though we cannot share in the loaf in which the many are one, there is nevertheless one Body and one Spirit – one Lord, one faith, one baptism – one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. We look forward to that day when you gather us again in full communion with one another, and until then we entrust ourselves to you. We pray this day of separation and waiting will lead soon to another day of fellowship and rejoicing. And we remember that here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. For we ask it in Jesus' name, Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

May the grace of Christ our Savior And the Father's boundless love With the Holy Spirit's favor Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union With each other and the Lord And possess in sweet communion Joys which earth cannot afford.

CLOSING HYMN

Church of God, Beloved and Chosen

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No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Amazing love! How can it be That Thou, my God, should die for me!

Charles Wesley, 1738/Thomas Campbell, 1825/CCLI#109561

BENEDICTION

SUNG RESPONSE

This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.

Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901/CCLI#1095616.

Postlude

Please stay tuned after the postlude for a video greeting.

CALENDAR & EVENTS

Details about events available at cpcissaquah.org

SUNDAY

10:30a | Live-Stream Morning Worship 4:30p | Online Youth Group

VBS | June 22-26 | Register at https://cpcissaquah.org/events/vbs/ | We are considering the possibility of holding VBS online | Volunteers needed | Contact austins@cpcissaquah.org

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