



February 14, 2021

Contemporary Service - 9:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. (Colossians 3:13 NIV)

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all

People: And also with you.

Opening Praise and Prayer

King of My Heart

Music by John Mark McMillan and Sarah McMillan; CCLI Song #7046145
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Good Good Father

Music by Anthony Brown and Pat Barrett; CCLI Song # 7036612
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Tony Brown Publishing Designee | Vamos Publishing| worshiptogether.com songs

Prayer of Confession

Kids' Time

Announcements

Ordination & Installation of Officers

Offering

Living Hope

Music by Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham; CCLI Song # 7106807
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Scripture Reading **Genesis 45:1-15**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

When Reconciliation Won

6th in the series "Moments"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

King of Kings

Music by Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, and Scott Ligertwood; CCLI Song # 7127647
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Blessing

Postlude

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Sermon

Worship Leader and Liturgy

Prayers of the People

Scripture

Pianist (9:30)

Vocals (9:30)

Director of Music

Organist (11:00)

Soloist (11:00)

A/V - Live-stream production

A/V - Audio technician

Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard

Rev. Greg Buell

Roger Smith

Sherry Maloney (9:30)

Jim Peterson

Matt Parks

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Laura Boguslavsky

Ed Burton

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Traditional Service - 11:00 am

Scripture for Meditation

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Prelude

Paradise

(Zdenko Fibich)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all;

People: And also with you

Opening Hymn

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

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(verses 1, 3, and 5)

Psalm Response

Psalm 32

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.

**Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count
against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy on me;
my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
And you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found;
surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.

**You are my hiding place; You will protect me from trouble
and surround me with songs of deliverance.**

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

**Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding
but must be controlled by bit and bridle**

Many are the woes of the wicked,
but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in him.

**Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous;
sing, all you who are upright in heart!**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O God of peace and wholeness, we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies, but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our enemies. Bless them and us, that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you, through Jesus Christ.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Gloria Patri

Ordination & Installation of Officers

Anthem

O Rest in the Lord

*(from *Elijah*, music by Felix Mendelssohn)*

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

When Reconciliation Won

6th in the series "Moments"

Offering

Be Merciful Unto Me, O God

(J. G. Walther)

Doxology

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer

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Benediction

Postlude

Soli Deo Gloria

Marianne Kim

The Moment Reconciliation Won

Opening Discussion:

- Have you ever had a difficult time forgiving someone? What made it so hard?
- Based on what we learned last week in Genesis 37:12ff, why would it have been hard for Joseph to forgive his brothers?

Digging Deeper:

- Read Genesis 45:3-15.
- Keeping in mind that the brothers didn't know they were speaking with Joseph, why were his brothers apprehensive and terrified of Joseph's presence (v.3)? What was Joseph's position at the time? What did they think his ethnicity was?
- In verses 4-8a, how did Joseph deal with his brothers once he revealed himself to them? What was his reason for treating them this way?
- In verses 8b-13, Joseph shares a plan to save his family from famine. What are the details?
- What does Joseph say in verse 12 and why do you think he says this to them? What might they be scared of? What risk is involved for Joseph's brothers in doing what he suggests?
- What does Joseph do after sharing his plan with his brothers (see verses 14 + 15). What emotions might lead him to behave this way? How did the brothers respond?

Life Application:

- Do you have any broken relationships in your life? Have you forgiven them and if not, why not? What issues have kept you from doing so?
- Like Joseph, have you looked back on a difficult time and seen God's hand in it all?
- How might seeing your situation in life from a broader perspective (like Joseph did), make it easier to reconcile with others?

Suggestions for Prayer:

- Lift up those people in your life that you might have a broken relationship with, or those who have harmed you in some way. Pray for God to bless them and for God to let you see them as He does.
- Pray for God to reveal himself to you as you lift up painful or hurtful memories from the past, that you might see his activity in your life even when you weren't aware of it.
- Pray for mercy, grace and courage to pursue reconciliation with others in your life.