



October 10, 2021

Contemporary Service – 9:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Praise and Prayer

There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do

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Prayer of Confession

Jesus

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Announcements

Scripture Reading

Psalm 51:1-12

Sermon

Courage to Say "I Blew It"

Song of Reflection

You Are Good

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Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

Resurrecting Me

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Blessing

Postlude

Traditional Service – 11:00 am

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Prelude **And His Mercy is on Them, Op. 18, #12** (Marcel Dupre)

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all

People: And also with you

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Announcements

Opening Hymn **As the Deer in Want of Water** #616

As a deer in want of water, so I long for You, O Lord,
All my heart and being falter, thirsting for Your living word.
When shall I behold Your face? When shall I receive Your grace?
Then shall I Your praises voicing, come before You with rejoicing?

Bitter tears of lamentation Are my food my night and day.
In my deep humiliation ""Where is now Your God?"" they say.
When my sorrows weigh on me, then I bring to memory
How with throngs I would assemble, shouting praises in your temple.

Refrain: O my soul why are you grieving, Why disquieted in me?
Put your hope in God, believing; He will still your refuge be.
I again shall praise His grace; for the comfort of His face;
He will show His help and favor, for He is my God and Savior.

Psalm Response **Psalm 130**

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;
Lord, hear my voice.

**Let your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.**

If you, LORD, kept a record of sins,
Lord, who could stand?

**But with you there is forgiveness,
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.**

I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope.

**I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning,
more than watchmen wait for the morning.**

Israel, put your hope in the LORD,
for with the LORD is unfailing love

**And with him is full redemption.
He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:

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

Response

Glory Be to the Father

#961

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Anthem

Above All Praise

(Felix Mendelssohn)

Above all praise and all majesty.
Lord thou reignest evermore,
Hallelujah.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 51:1-12

Sermon

Courage to Say "I Blew It"

Offertory

If Ye Love Me

(Thomas Tallis, ed. Peter le Huray)

If you love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And he shall give you another comforter,
That he may bide with you forever,
Ev'n in the spirit of truth.

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Doxology

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

Softly and Tenderly

#615

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain: Come home, come home,
You who are weary come home;
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, O sinner, come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? [Refrain]

Oh! For the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me;
Though we have sinned he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. [Refrain]

Benediction

Postlude

Guide Me, O Though Great Jehovah

(David H. Hegarty)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome and Sermon
Worship Leader/Prayers
Worship Leader/Confession
Scripture Readers

Prayers of the People
Contemporary Pianist
Worship Band (9:30)

Director of Music
Pianist (11:00)
Choral Music (11:00)

Spencer Lundgaard
Rev. Greg Buell
Luke Stoner
Lois Morris (9:30)
Jack West (11:00)
Rich Blue (9:30)
Jim Peterson
Carl Tobias, electric guitar
Deb Valkenaar and Greg Dill, vocals
Ruth G. Heald
Sharon Peterson
Section Leader Quartet

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Reflection Questions

Opening Discussion:

- Describe a time when you really screwed something up and you didn't want anyone else to know.
- What makes it hard to admit mistakes and shortcomings to others?

Digging Deeper:

- Read Psalm 51:1-12.
- How many different requests does David make in this psalm? How does David use different verbs to ask for forgiveness? What are the various themes that keep being repeated?
- What words are used to describe God's character in the opening verse? What about in verse 4? How does the way we view God's character affect our confessions?
- In looking at Verses 7 -12, what are the desired outcomes of being forgiven by God? How does this expand your view of what forgiveness entails?

Life Application

- In looking over Psalm 51 again, how do your personal prayers of confession compare the types of requests made in the reading? What new phrases or words might you utilize in the future?
- How often do you pray for forgiveness – daily? on Sundays at church? or somewhere in between?
- How can confession improve your relationship with the Lord, and what steps can you take to draw closer to God and be more authentic before Him?

Suggestions for Prayer

- Try to make a daily habit of evaluating your day, and then lifting up those areas in your life where you need forgiveness, cleansing, and your spirit to be put right once more.