



May 9, 2021
10:00 AM

Reflection: In Proverbs 31:30 we read: *Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.*

Call To Worship

Come, bow down and worship, kneel to the Lord, our Maker.
This is our God, our shepherd, we are the flock led with care.
-Psalm 95:6-7, TP

Hymn

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson Music: Christopher Miner

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

Invocation

Hymn

Nothing But the Blood

Words & Music: Robert Lowry Arrangement: Citizens

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this my plea;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

Nothing can for sin atone;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

This is all my hope and peace;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

Scripture Reading

Psalm 69

Confession of Sin

We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ.
Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.
-based on Romans 8:39

Corporate Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." -John 3:16-17

Hymn

Speak I Pray Thee Gentle Jesus

Words: William Williams (alt by Kevin Twit) Music: Kevin Twit

Speak, I pray Thee, gentle Jesus!
O, how passing sweet Thy words,
Breathing o'er my troubled spirit
Peace which never earth affords.
All the world's distracting voices,
All the tempting tones of ill,
At Thy voice, so mild, melodious
Are subdued, and all is still.

Tell me Thou art mine, O Savior,
Speak a true assurance clear;
Banish all my dark misgivings,
Still my doubting, calm my fear.
In Thy righteousness I'll triumph
In Thy wisdom I'll be wise
In Thy robes I'm perfect beauty
In Thy power I'll...

...arise, I'll arise, In thy power, I'll arise
I'll arise, I'll arise, In thy power, I'll arise
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Prayer

At the conclusion of prayer pray the Lord's Prayer in unison:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon

“What Does Baptism Have to Do with Salvation?”

1 Peter 3:18-22

Wayne Shelton

Hymn of Response

Jesus' Precious Blood

Words: William J. Irons, 1812-1833 Music: Clint Wells, 2004

What sacred fountain yonder springs
Up from the throne of God,
And all new covenant blessings brings?
'Tis Jesus' precious blood.

What mighty sum paid all my debt,
When I a bondman stood,
And has my soul at freedom set?
'Tis Jesus' precious blood.

Refrain:

What stream can sweep away
My sins just like a flood,
Nor lets one guilty blemish stay?
'Tis Jesus' precious blood.

What voice is that which speaks for me
In heaven's court for good,
And from the curse has set me free?
'Tis Jesus' precious blood. (Refrain)

What theme, my soul shall best employ
Thy harp before thy God,
And make all heaven to ring with joy?
'Tis Jesus' precious blood. (Refrain)

Affirmation of Faith

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Maker of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day He arose again
from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,*

*and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he shall 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.*

Doxology

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