

Service of Celebration and Gospel Renewal Reformation Sunday

27 October 2019 God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.

Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

Introit—Jesus Shall Reign, Vs. I



Text: Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793.

Call to Worship—from Psalm 118:19-24, 26, 28-29

Pastor: You are our God, and we will give thanks to You; You are our God; we will extol you.

All: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

Pastor: Open to us the gates of righteousness, that we may enter through them

and give thanks to the Lord.

All: This is the gate of the LORD; the righteousness shall enter through it.

Pastor: We thank You that You have answered us and have become our salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

All: This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

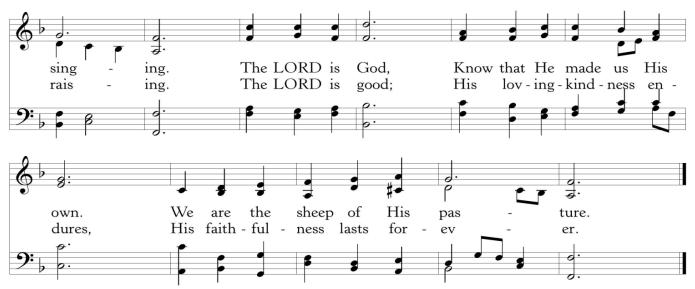
Pastor: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

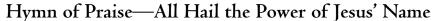
All: We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Hymn of Praise—Psalm 100: All Earth With Joy





Text: Psalm 100; Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665, Arr, in Praxis Pietatis Melica, 1668





New Testament Reading—Romans 8:I-II

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

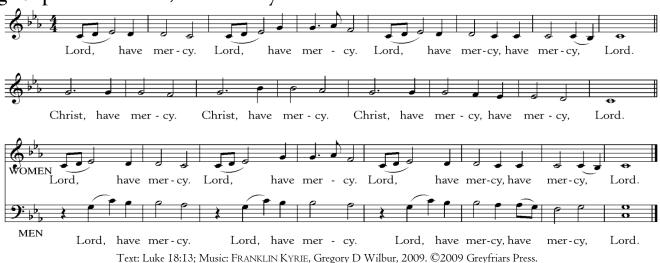
⁹ You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Sung Response—Lord, Have Mercy



Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Ephesians 2:I-7 & Romans 6:I2

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. We once walked in the path of this world

following the pattern of it and the spirit of the age.

All: And we were dead in trespasses and sins.

Pastor: We all once lived in the passions of our flesh,

carrying out the desires of the body and the desires of the mind.

All: We were by nature children of wrath like the rest of mankind.

Pastor: But You, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which You loved us,

even when we were dead in our trespasses,

All: You made us alive together with Christ.

Pastor: By grace You saved us and raised us up with Christ

and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Him.

All: In the coming ages You will show the immeasurable riches of Your grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

Pastor: Give us the grace and faith to not let sin reign in our mortal bodies, to not obey its passions.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Hymn of Praise—A Mighty Fortress



Text: Psalm 46, Martin Luther, 1529, trans Frederick H. Hedge, 1853; Music: EIN'FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1529.

The Reading of the Word—Genesis 46:28-47:31

way before him in Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. ²⁹ Then Joseph prepared his chariot and went up to meet Israel his father in Goshen. He presented himself to him and fell on his neck and wept on his neck a good while. 30 Israel said to Joseph, "Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive." 31 Joseph said to his brothers and to his father's household, "I will go up and tell Pharaoh and will say to him, 'My brothers and my father's household, who were in the land of Canaan, have come to me. ³² And the men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of livestock, and they have brought their flocks and their herds and all that they have.' 33 When Pharaoh calls you and says, 'What is your occupation?' 34 you shall say, 'Your servants have been keepers of livestock from our youth even until now, both we and our fathers,' in order that you may dwell in the land of Goshen, for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians."

So Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, "My father and my brothers, with their flocks and herds and all that they possess, have come from the land of Canaan. They are now in the land of Goshen." ² And from among his brothers he took five men and presented them to Pharaoh. 3 Pharaoh said to his brothers, "What is your occupation?" And they said to Pharaoh, "Your servants are shepherds, as our fathers were." 4 They said to Pharaoh, "We have come to sojourn in the land, for there is no pasture for your servants' flocks, for the famine is severe in the land of Canaan. And now, please let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen." 5 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Your father and your brothers have come to you. 6 The land of Egypt is before you. Settle your father and your brothers in the best of the land. Let them settle in the land of Goshen, and if you know any able men among them, put them in charge of my livestock."

⁷ Then Joseph brought in Jacob his father and stood him before Pharaoh, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. 8 And Pharaoh said to Jacob, "How many are the days of the years of your life?" 9 And Jacob said to Pharaoh, "The days of the years of my sojourning are 130 years. Few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained to the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their sojourning." ¹⁰ And Jacob blessed Pharaoh and went out from the presence of Pharaoh. ¹¹ Then Joseph settled his father and his brothers and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. 12 And Joseph provided his father, his brothers, and all his father's household with food, according to the number of their dependents.

¹³ Now there was no food in all the land, for the famine was very severe, so that the land of Egypt and the land of Canaan languished by reason of the famine. ¹⁴ And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt | head of his bed. and in the land of Canaan, in exchange for the grain that they

²⁸He had sent Judah ahead of him to Joseph to show the bought. And Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house. 15 And when the money was all spent in the land of Egypt and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came to Joseph and said, "Give us food. Why should we die before your eyes? For our money is gone."16 And Joseph answered, "Give your livestock, and I will give you food in exchange for your livestock, if your money is gone." ¹⁷So they brought their livestock to Joseph, and Joseph gave them food in exchange for the horses, the flocks, the herds, and the donkeys. He supplied them with food in exchange for all their livestock that year. ¹⁸ And when that year was ended, they came to him the following year and said to him, "We will not hide from my lord that our money is all spent. The herds of livestock are my lord's. There is nothing left in the sight of my lord but our bodies and our land. ¹⁹ Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our land for food, and we with our land will be servants to Pharaoh. And give us seed that we may live and not die, and that the land may not be

> ²⁰ So Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh, for all the Egyptians sold their fields, because the famine was severe on them. The land became Pharaoh's.²¹ As for the people, he made servants of them from one end of Egypt to the other. ²² Only the land of the priests he did not buy, for the priests had a fixed allowance from Pharaoh and lived on the allowance that Pharaoh gave them; therefore they did not sell their land.

> ²³ Then Joseph said to the people, "Behold, I have this day bought you and your land for Pharaoh. Now here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land. ²⁴ And at the harvests you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four fifths shall be your own, as seed for the field and as food for yourselves and your households, and as food for your little ones." ²⁵ And they said, "You have saved our lives; may it please my lord, we will be servants to Pharaoh." 26 So Joseph made it a statute concerning the land of Egypt, and it stands to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; the land of the priests alone did not become Pharaoh's.

> ²⁷ Thus Israel settled in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen. And they gained possessions in it, and were fruitful and multiplied greatly. ²⁸ And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years. So the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were 147 years.

> ²⁹ And when the time drew near that Israel must die, he called his son Joseph and said to him, "If now I have found favor in your sight, put your hand under my thigh and promise to deal kindly and truly with me. Do not bury me in Egypt, ³⁰ but let me lie with my fathers. Carry me out of Egypt and bury me in their burying place." He answered, "I will do as you have said." ³¹ And he said, "Swear to me"; and he swore to him. Then Israel bowed himself upon the

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

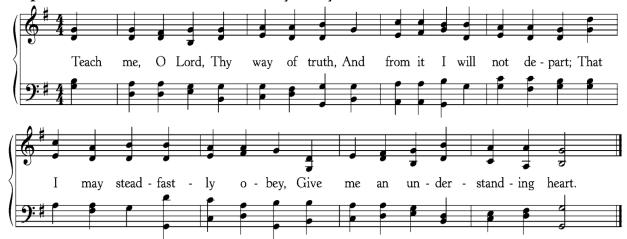
All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Sermon—New Beginnings: A Study of Genesis, Part 57

Settling and Sojourning

—Ben Griffith, Pastor

Sung Response—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth, Vs I



Text: Joseph P. Holbrook, ca. 1878; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, ca, 1567.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.

Sursum Corda

Elder: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Elder: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Elder: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Sung Response—Let Glory Be to God on High



Profession of Faith—The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, I but belong—body and soul, in life and in death²—

to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.³

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,⁴ and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.⁵

He also watches over me in such a way⁶

that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven;⁷ in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.⁸

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life⁹ and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.¹⁰

I I Cor. 6:19-20 2 Rom. 14:7-9 3 I Cor. 3:23; Titus 2:14 5 John 8:34-36; Heb. 2:14-15; I John 3:I-II 6 Jn 6:39-40; 10:27-30; 2 Thess. 3:3; I Pet. I:5 7 Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 2I:I6-I8

8 Rom. 8:28 9 Rom 8:15-16; 2 Cor I:21-22; 5:5; Eph I:I3-I4 10 Rom. 8:I-I7

3 I Cor. 3:23; Titus 2:I4 4 I Pet. I:I8-I9; I John I:7-9; 2:2

Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.

At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.

Hymn of Communion—Psalm 130: From Depths of Woe, Vs 1, 4-5





Text: Psalm 130, Martin Luther, 1483-1546; Tr. By Richard Massie, 1800-87; Music: DEPTHS OF WOE, Greyfriars Press, 1998.

Hymn of Communion—Creator God, Our Sovereign Lord



Text: Douglas Bond, 2004; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2014

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

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.

And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise—My Hope is Built on Nothing Less



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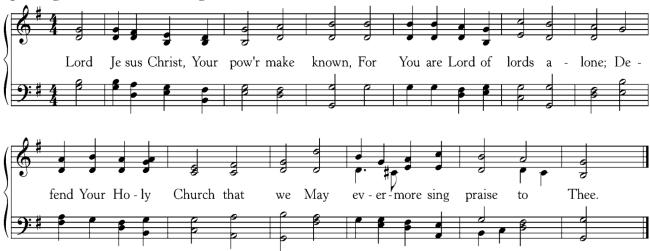
GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Sung Response—Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word, Vs 2



Text: Martin, Luther, 1541, Trans Catherine Winkworth, 1863, Alt. 2007; Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Genevan Psalter, 1551.

Prayer Focus—Jessica (Jes) Greene is a Franklin native, graduate of New College Franklin and missionary with the PCA's Mission to the World (MTW). In April 2019, she arrived in Athens, Greece where she will be serving for the next 3 years alongside the Greek Evangelical Church, a Presbyterian denomination with close ties to the PCA. She's currently helping plant a new church in Athens, discipling young believers, participating in evangelism and writing the stories of what God is doing amongst the refugee population in Athens. With a background in journalism and writing, she hopes to use her skills to tell the world how God is calling the refugees of Athens to Himself and changing lives forever. Please pray for Jes in the following ways:

- Prayers for my cousin who is in the hospital for intense pain.
- Prayers for a good last week in the States and for traveling mercies as I go back to Athens on October 23rd.
- Praise for the precious time I've had with family since I've been in America.
- Praise for the new partnerships and relationships that have opened up in the past few weeks.
- Prayers as I readjust to life in Athens.

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