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COMMUNION | FATHER in LOVE SON in GRACE

SON in GRACE SPIRIT in COMFORT

...that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

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I JOHN I:3

Trinity Presbyterian Church October 27, 2019



ur communion with God consists of his communication of himself to us, with our return to him of that which he requires and accepts, flowing from that union which in Jesus

Christ we have with him."

"Eye the Father as love. Look not on him as an always disapproving Father, but as one most kind and tender. Let us look on him by faith, as one that has had thoughts of kindness towards us from everlasting."

"The Father's love is the fountain from whence all other sweetnesses flow."

"The eternal love of the Father is not the fruit but the fount of Christ's purchase."

"The Father's love is the great discovery of the gospel."

~ John Owen

The offering collected during the service will support Resurrection Indiana (PCA church plant) and Reformed University Fellowship at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.



WORSHIP PREPARATION

Prelude Mr. Byron Frank

Welcome Rev. Jared Havener

Choir Introit Lord Jesus Christ Be Present Now Byrd, Hopson

WORSHIP OF THE TRIUNE GOD

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 68:4-5

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him! Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn 244 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Hymn 216 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

GOD CALLS US TO REPENTANCE

Call to Confession

Deuteronomy 6:5

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.



Corporate Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have often gone our own way and rejected your will for our lives. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us forgive us, cleanse us, and change us. By your Holy Spirit enable us to live for you and to please you in every way, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOD ASSURES US OF HIS GRACE

The Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:3-10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Hymn 351

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Scripture Reading

Psalm 40

Psalm 121 Pages 6-7



I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie! You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

In sacrifice and offering you have not delighted, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required. Then I said, "Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me: I delight to do your, O my God; your law is within my heart."

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord. I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me! For evils have encompassed me beyond number; my iniquities have overtaken me, and I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me.

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me! O Lord, make haste to help me! Let those be put to shame and disappointed altogether who seek to snatch away my life; let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who delight in my hurt! Let those be appalled because of their shame who say to me, "Aha, Aha!"

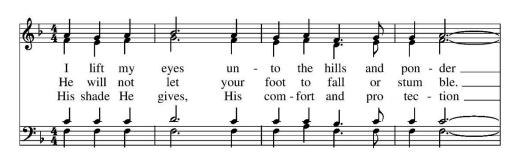
But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!" As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God!



Psalm 121

I lift My Eyes

Music by: Jean Sibelius Lyrics by: Seth Wilson













Confession of Faith

Shorter Catechism

Q. 100. What does the preface to the Lord's Prayer teach us?

A. The preface of the Lord's Prayer, which is, Our Father in heaven, teaches us to draw near to God with all holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father, able and ready to help us; and that we should pray with and for others.

Pastoral Prayer

Psalm 31:14

But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

The Collection

2 Corinthians 9:7

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Choir Anthem

Worship the Lord

Sharp

Hymn 408

For All the Saints

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Preaching of God's Word

1 John 4:7-12

"The Great Discovery of the Gospel"

Rev. Oliver Pierce

Prayer of Response

Psalm 98A O Sing a New Song to the LORD

Pages 10-11

GOD SENDS US OUT

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Threefold Amen

Hymnal, 575



SERMON NOTES

THE GREAT DISCOVERY OF THE GOSPEL:

THE BELIEVER'S COMMUNION IN

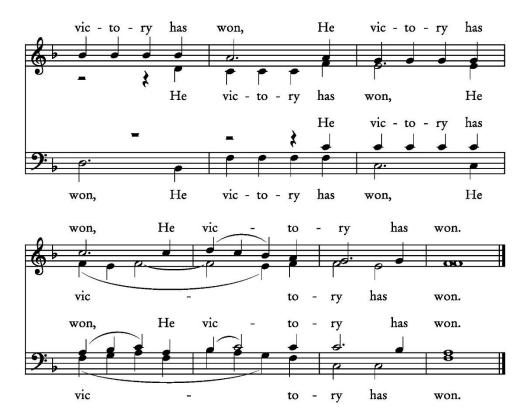
LOVE WITH THE FATHER

REV. OLIVER PIERCE

1 JOHN 4:7-12







- 2. ² The LORD's salvation is revealed For He has made it known; (repeat) He to the nations of the world His righteousness has shown. (repeat)
- 3. ³ He called to mind His faithfulness, His love to Isr'el's house; (repeat) The great salvation of our God Is seen the earth throughout. (repeat)
- 4. ⁴ O all the earth, shout to the LORD, And make a joyful sound. (repeat) Lift up your voice aloud to Him; Sing praise, let joy resound. (repeat)

- 5. ⁵ Make music to the LORD with harps; With harps your praises sing. (repeat)
 - ⁶ With horn and trumpets shout with joy Before the LORD, the King. (repeat)
- 6. ⁷ Let sea and land and all they hold Resound with one accord. (repeat)
 - ⁸ Let rivers clap, let mountains sing For joy before the LORD. (repeat)
- 7. ⁹ For He shall come, He surely comes
 The judge of earth to be; (repeat)
 He'll judge the world with righteousness,
 And all with equity. (repeat)



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