

The Lord's Day
All Saints Parish Church
Resurrection Sunday
April 7, 2024

Meditations for Worship

*O taste and see that the LORD is good;
how blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!*
(Ps. 34:8)

"This love of Christ is indeed measureless and fathomless. None of us can attain unto it. In speaking thereof we feel our own weakness, we cast ourselves upon the strength of the Spirit, but, even then, we feel that we can never attain unto the majesty of this subject."

Charles Spurgeon, *Commentary on Hebrews 12*

*Call to Worship

Ps. 147:11-13

The LORD favors those who fear Him,
Those who wait for His lovingkindness.
Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!
Praise your God, O Zion!
For He has strengthened the bars of your gates;
He has blessed your sons within you.

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn

God Himself Is with Us

No. 164

Public Confession

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. According to Your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. We confess that we have sinned against You and have done what is evil in Your sight. Let us again know joy and gladness as we appear before You. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. We ask this in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Words of Assurance

Heb. 9:27, 28

And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.

Response

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

1. I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less Lamb of God;
2. I lay my wants on Je - sus, All full - ness dwells in Him;
3. I long to be like Je - sus, Meek, lov - ing, low - ly, mild;

He bears them all, and frees us From the ac - cur - sed load.
He heals all my dis - eas - es; He doth my soul re - deem.
I long to be like Je - sus, The Fa - ther's ho - ly Child;

I bring my guilt to Je - sus, To wash my crim - son stains
I lay my griefs on Je - sus, My bur - dens and my cares,
I long to be with Je - sus, A - mid the heav'n - ly throng;

While in His blood most pre - cious, Till not a spot re - mains.
He from them all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.
To sing with saints His prais - es, To learn the an - gels' song.

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Prayer and Collection of the Tithe and Offerings

*Doxology

No. 567

*Old Testament Reading

Prayer for Deliverance

Ps. 17

*Response to the Word

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever."

Amen!

Prayers of the People

*Responsive Reading: The Law of God

Then God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me."

For us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things, and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him. (1 Cor. 8:6)

"You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments."

Little children, guard yourselves from idols. (1 John 5:21)

"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain."

"Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.'" (Matt. 6:9)

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy."

There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God. For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His. (Heb. 4:9, 10)

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you."

Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. (Col. 3:20)

"You shall not murder."

Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. For this, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Rom. 13:8, 9)

"You shall not commit adultery."

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge. (Heb. 13:4)

"You shall not steal."

Let him who steals steal no longer; but rather let him labor, performing with his own hands what is good, in order that he may have something to share with him who has need. (Eph. 4:28)

“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Therefore, laying aside falsehood, speak truth, each one of you, with his neighbor, for we are members of one another. (Eph. 4:25)

“You shall not covet.”

Do not let immorality or any impurity or greed even be named among you, as is proper among saints. (Eph. 5:3)

Hymn** ***Hear Now My Prayer, O LORD **No. 143A**

New Testament Reading** ***The Coming of the Spirit **Acts 2:1-21**

***Response to the Word**

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

***Prayer for the Ministry of the Word**

Sermon ***Final Expectations (part 1)*** **Heb. 12, 13**

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn** ***Crown Him with Many Crowns **No. 380**

***Benediction**

*** Congregation will please stand**

Let All Creation Sing

“Between the promise of the Messiah (even the latest of those promises) and his coming many ages intervened; but between the promise of the Spirit and his coming there were but a few days; and during those days the apostles, though they had received orders to preach the gospel to every creature, and to begin at Jerusalem, yet lay perfectly wind-bound, incognito-concealed, and not offering to preach. But in this chapter the north wind and the south wind awake, and then they awake, and we have them in the pulpit presently.”

Matthew Henry, *Commentary on Acts 2*

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The Use of Wine in the Observance of the Lord’s Supper

In light of the biblical account of the Last Supper and Jesus’ use of wine in representing His blood, All Saints Parish Church believes that the use of wine in the observance of the Lord’s Supper remains the proper symbol for representing His blood. We do, however, make occasional exceptions for the use of grape juice, with the hope that those holding such an exception will seek to understand the conviction of the church in this matter. Please speak to one of the elders if you wish to discuss this issue.

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