

The Lord's Day
All Saints Parish Church
April 27, 2025

Meditation for Worship

The serpent said to the woman, "You surely will not die!"
(Gen. 3:4)

*"Whatever your heart clings to and confides in,
that is really your God."*

Martin Luther

*Call to Worship

God has ascended with a shout,
The LORD, with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises;
Sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of all the earth;
Sing praises with a skillful psalm.

Ps. 47:5-7

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn *Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise* No. 96

Public Confession

Heavenly Father, while our sin is great, Your grace and mercy are greater. You have redeemed us by providing a Savior who gave Himself for us. His work on our behalf has provided forgiveness of all our transgressions. Strengthen our faith and trust in You, O God. Make our hearts long for righteousness and cause us to delight in humble obedience.

Words of Assurance

Ps. 84:9-12

Behold our shield, O God, and look upon the face of Your anointed. For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD gives grace and glory; no good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, how blessed is the man who trusts in You!

Response

From Out the Depths to You I Cry!

1. From out the depths to you I cry! O LORD, to
2. If you, O LORD, should mark our sins, then who, O
3. I wait for God, my soul a - waits; my hope is
4. Hope in the LORD, O Is - ra - el, for mer - cy

me give ear and give at - ten - tion
LORD, could stand? With you for - give - ness
in his word. Yes, more than watch - men
is with him; with great re - demp - tion

to my voice; my cry for mer - cy hear.
can be found, that you may fear com - mand.
wait for dawn, my soul a - waits the LORD.
he will save his Is - r'el from all sin.

Psalm 130

MARTYRDOM C.M.
Hugh Wilson, 1800
Arr. Robert A. Smith, 1825

Prayer and Collection of the Tithe and Offerings

*Doxology No. 567

*Old Testament Reading *Nations Exhorted to Praise God* Ps. 67

*Response to the Word

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

Amen!

Prayers of the People

*Reading: The Heidelberg Catechism

9 Q. But doesn't God do man an injustice by requiring in his law what man is unable to do?

A. *No, God created man with the ability to keep the law. Man, however, at the instigation of the devil, in willful disobedience, robbed himself and all his descendants of these gifts.*

10 Q. Will God permit such disobedience and rebellion to go unpunished?

A. *Certainly not. He is terribly angry with the sin we are born with as well as our actual sins. God will punish them by a just judgment both now and in eternity, having declared: "Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the things written in the book of the law."*

11 Q. But isn't God also merciful?

A. *God is certainly merciful, but he is also just. His justice demands that sin, committed against his supreme majesty, be punished with the supreme penalty—eternal punishment of body and soul.*

*Hymn *And Can It Be That I Should Gain* No. 431

*New Testament Reading *Paul in Rome* Acts 28:17-31

*Response to the Word

The Word of the LORD.
Thanks be to God!

*Prayer for the Ministry of the Word

Sermon *Covenant Theology: The Covenant of Works (part 2)*
Gen. 1, 2, 3; etc.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* (back page)

*Benediction

* Congregation will please stand

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Je - sus' blood and
 2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un-
 3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

righ - teous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but
 chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale, my
 whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
 him be found; dressed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault-

whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Edward Mote, 1834

ST. PETERSBURG 8.8.8.8.8.8.
 Dmitri Bortniansky, 1825

The Well-Ordered Life

"A well-ordered life, regulated by God's Word alone, through Christ alone, by faith alone, for God's glory alone, is the only answer to our anxiety."

John Calvin

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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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