The Lord's Day, September 25, 2022 10:30 AM Morning Service

And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. I Peter 5:10

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship: Psalm 46

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble;

Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the People:

heart of the sea.

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" Minister:

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. People:

Unison: Come, let us sing and praise our God!

*Hymn of Adoration: "God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength" (No. 40)

1 God is our refuge and our strength,

our ever-present aid,

and therefore though the earth remove,

we will not be afraid;

though hills amidst the seas be cast,

though foaming waters roar,

yea, though the mighty billows shake

the mountains on the shore.

2 A river flows whose streams make glad

the city of our God,

the holy place wherein the Lord

Most High has his abode.

Since God is in the midst of her,

unmoved her walls shall stand,

for God will be her early help,

when trouble is at hand.

3 The nations raged, the kingdoms moved,

but when his voice was heard,

the troubled earth was stilled to peace

before his mighty word.

The Lord of Hosts is on our side,

our safety to secure;

the God of Jacob is for us

a refuge strong and sure.

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer

O Lord, with my whole heart I give you thanks. I recount your wonderful deeds-creating, protecting, preserving, providing, redeeming, restoring, comforting, blessing-all to the glory of your name. I will proclaim your wondrous works, yet they are more than can be told. And your thoughts toward me - how vast is their sum! I am poor and needy, yet you think on me and you care for me. You are my help and my deliverer. You are my strength, my song, and my salvation. Blessed are all who find refuge in you. Amen.

4 O come, behold what wondrous works

Jehovah's hand has wrought; come, see what desolation great he on the earth has brought To utmost ends of all the earth

he causes war to cease;

the weapons of the strong destroyed,

he makes abiding peace.

5 "Be still and know that I am God,

o'er all exalted high;

the subject nations of the earth my name shall magnify."

The Lord of Hosts is on our side,

our safety to secure, the God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

*Affirmation of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism 12, 13, 15, 18

Minister: Since, according to God's righteous judgment we deserve temporal and eternal punishment, how

can we escape this punishment and be again received into favor?

People: God demands that his justice be satisfied. Therefore we must make full payment, either by

ourselves or through another.

Minister: Can we by ourselves make this payment?

People: Certainly not. On the contrary, we daily increase our debt.

Minister: What kind of mediator and deliverer must we seek?

People: One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who

is at the same time true God.

Minister: But who is that Mediator who at the same time is true God and a true and righteous man?

People: Our Lord Jesus Christ, who has become for us wisdom from God - that is, our righteousness,

holiness, and redemption.

All: Thanks be to God!

Hallelujah (Tune: Ode to Joy)

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;

He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed;

Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King;

Unto Him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

Psalter Reading: Psalm 126

Minister: When the Lord brought back the captives to Zion, we were like men who dreamed.

People Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy.

Minister: Then I was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

People: The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.

Minister: Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like streams in the Negev.

People: Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy.

Minister: He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow,

People: will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him.

*Hymn of Response: "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!" (No. 498)

1 Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!

3 Jesus! what a help in sorrow!

Jesus! lover of my soul;

While the billows o'er me roll,

friends may fail me, foes assail me, even when my heart is breaking, he, my Savior, makes me whole. he, my comfort, helps my soul. [Refrain]

Refrain: 4 Jesus! what a guide and keeper! Hallelujah! what a Savior! While the tempest still is high,

Hallelujah, what a Friend! storms about me, night o'ertakes me, Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he, my pilot, hears my cry. [Refrain]

he is with me to the end.

2 Jesus! what a strength in weakness!

Let me hide myself in him;

tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. [Refrain]

5 Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find; he hath granted me forgiveness,

I am his, and he is mine. [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession

My Father, if your mercy had bounds, where would be my refuge from just wrath? But your love in Christ is without measure. Thus I present myself to you with sins of commission and omission against you, my Father; against you, adored Redeemer; against you and your strivings, O Holy Spirit; against the dictates of my conscience; against the precepts of your Word; against my neighbor and myself. Enter not into judgment with me, for I plead no righteousness of my own and have no covering for my iniquity. I plead only Jesus and the covering of his precious blood. Pardon my days dark with evil. Each morning I desire to love you more fervently, to serve you more sincerely, to be more devoted in my life, to be wholly yours. But I soon stumble, backslide, and have to confess my weakness, misery, and sin. O Father, I thank you that the finished work of Jesus needs no addition from my doings, that his sacrifice is sufficient satisfaction for my all sins. In his name I pray. Amen.

Adapted from "Evening Renewal" in The Valley of Vision

Pastoral Prayer

Words of Encouragement

Minister: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me....Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. (Psalm 51:9, 11-14)

Unison: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" (No. 535)

1 O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love; leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

2 O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore; how he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore; how he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own; how for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

3 O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best: 'tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology (Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen) Let all things their Creator bless; And worship Him in humbleness; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise, Praise the Father, praise the Son; And praise the Spirit, three in one; O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of The Holy Scriptures: Jeremiah 30:1-31:1

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "I Will Restore" (Rev. Seth Wallace)

*Hymn of Response: "Jesus Shall Reign" (No. 441)

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
- 5 Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King, angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

*The Benediction

Postlude

*Denotes congregational standing, if able.

If you would like someone to pray with you, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Luncheon

You are invited to a fellowship meal following the service this morning.

➤ A Huge Thankyou

On behalf of the congregation, the Fellowship Committee expresses heartfelt appreciation to Janine Long for her faithful service to CTK. When you see the beautiful floral arrangements, table decorations and window hangings, please let Janine know how much you appreciate her creative, artistic talent. She updates existing containers for each season with beautiful silk and dried arrangements. Many thanks, Janine, for sharing your creative talents with the saints of CTK.

Nursery Shower

To better serve our covenant children and families, our nursery is receiving some much needed updates. We will be painting, repairing, and replacing many of the items. To that end, we are asking those in our church family who would like to help out by purchasing items for the nursery from our Amazon registry, which you can access by using this QR code. The list will update to show which items have already been purchased and which have not, like a typical baby registry. We ask that you purchase items only from this list, as it has been created with specific intent.



The items should, by default, be set to deliver to Pastor Seth's house. If not, please specify his address (6651 59th Ct., Vero Beach, FL 32967). We are grateful for the direction and help of Larissa Miller in leading these changes and for the deacons and others who are working to implement the improvements.

We would like to collect all the items by the end of October. Thank you for your generosity!

Men's Fellowship Time

Men's Fellowship Time is at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesdays at C.J. Cannon's.

Women's Bible Study Resumes

All women of the church are invited to come to Bible Study on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. We are studying *In View of God's Mercies: The Gift of the Gospel in Romans* by Courtney Doctor.

Study books are on the book table for \$15 each. You may deposit cash or check in the book box. Leaders for this study are Carolyn Beckett, Bev Bell, Audrey Blanzole and Winnie Paauw. Bring a friend and together we will learn the Good News in this gospel of grace.