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THE LORD'S DAY

March 7, 2021



PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Thomas W. Bolton, Minister of Music

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

— *Psalms 8:1, 3-5, 9, ESV*

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

OPENING HYMN 37

How Great Our God's Majestic Name (Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1991)

WELCOME & INVOCATION

Dr. Charles F. DeVane, Jr., Pastor

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And also to you!

SCRIPTURE READING

Cindy Courington

1 The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. 2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. 3 Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest. 4 He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: 5 "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

— *Psalms 50:1-6*

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HYMN 187

Before the Throne of God Above (Vikki Cook and Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1997)

SCRIPTURE READING

Gary Griffin

1 Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. 2 But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. 3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. 6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

— *2 Corinthians 4:1-6, ESV*

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THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, you heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON

To Know Him is to Love Him
Pastor Chuck

15 “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 18 “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.” 22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?” 23 Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. 24 Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

— *John 14:15-24, ESV*

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CONFESSION OF FAITH

The 1689 London Baptist Confession of Faith

Although rational creatures are commanded to obey their creator, the distance between God and these creatures is so great that they cannot obtain the reward of life unless God voluntarily acts. God has been pleased to save sinners by using a covenant.

Because humanity brought itself under the curse of the law by its fall, it pleased the Lord to make a covenant of grace. In this covenant, he freely offers sinners life and salvation through Jesus Christ. To be saved, they must have faith in him. To those who are ordained to eternal life, God promises to give his Holy Spirit to make them willing and able to believe.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

If you are a baptized Christian and would like to share in Holy Communion, please take one of the sealed bread/cup sets in front of you. Please touch only the one you use and put the empty cup back in its place.

CLOSING HYMN 87

Love of God (Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2007)

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

Debi Lau

BENEDICTION

Michael Koen, Pastoral Intern

OFFERING

Members can place regular offerings and visitors can return welcome cards in the offering plates located near the foyer.

