

**March 21, 2021**

**Order of Worship**

Meditation: Colossians 3:1-4 ESV  
Welcome and Announcements

- \* Call to Worship: Psalm 135:1-5 ESV
- \* Hymn: *Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim* (TH 12)
- \* Song: *All Praise to Him*
- \* Opening Prayer w/Acknowledgement of Unworthiness & His  
Grace

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-39  
Hymn: *It is Well with My Soul* (TH 691)  
Congregational Prayer: Richard Neff, Elder

- \* Hymn: *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* (TH 92)
- Sermon Passage: Psalm 27 ESV
- Sermon: *"Our All-Sufficient Lord in Times of Trouble"*  
Pastor Mark Soud

- \* Song: *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*
- \* Tithes and Offerings

Benediction  
Closing Hymn: *Doxology* (TH 733)

**Meditation:** Colossians 3:1-4 ESV  
"If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory."

**Call to Worship:** Psalm 135:1-5 ESV  
"Praise the LORD!  
Praise the name of the LORD,  
give praise, O servants of the LORD,  
2 who stand in the house of the LORD,  
in the courts of the house of our God!  
3 Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
sing to his name, for it is pleasant!  
4 For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself,  
Israel as his own possession.  
5 For I know that the LORD is great,  
and that our Lord is above all gods."

**Exalt the Lord TH 12**

1. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim;  
all ye his servants, praise his name,  
who in the Lord's house ever stand  
and humbly serve at his command.  
The Lord is good, his praise proclaim;  
since it is pleasant, praise his name;  
his people for his own he takes  
and his peculiar treasure makes.
2. I know the Lord is high in state,  
above all gods our Lord is great;  
the Lord performs what he decrees,  
in heav'n and earth, in depths and seas.  
He makes the vapors to ascend  
in clouds from earth's remotest end;  
the lightnings flash at his command;  
he holds the tempest in his hand.
3. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim;  
all ye his servants, praise his name,  
who in the Lord's house ever stand  
and humbly serve at his command.  
Forever praise and bless his name,  
and in the church his praise proclaim;  
in Zion is his dwelling place;  
praise ye the Lord, show forth his grace.

## **All Praise to Him**

All praise to Him, the God of light  
Who formed the mountains by His might  
All praise to Him Who names the stars  
That sing His fame in skies afar  
All praise to Him Who reigns in love  
Who guides the galaxies above  
Yet bends to hear our every prayer  
With sovereign pow'r and tender care

All praise to Him whose love is seen  
In Christ the Son, the Servant King  
Who left behind His glorious throne  
To pay the ransom for His own  
All praise to Him Who humbly came  
To bear our sorrow, sin, and shame  
Who lived to die, Who died to rise  
The all-sufficient sacrifice

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts  
The love of God within our hearts  
The Spirit of all truth and peace  
The fount of joy and holiness  
To Father, Son, and Spirit now  
Our souls we lift, our wills we bow  
To You, the triune God, we raise  
With loving hearts our song of praise

**Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-39**

## **It is Well With My Soul TH 691**

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain:

It is well ... with my soul:  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
and has shed his own blood for my soul. [Refrain]

3. My sin – O the bliss of this glorious thought! –  
my sin not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]

4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,  
"Even so" – it is well with my soul. [Refrain]

**Congregational Prayer - Richard Neff, Elder**

## **A Mighty Fortress is Our God TH 92**

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide,  
our striving would be losing;  
were not the right man on our side,  
the man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,  
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,  
and he must win the battle.

3. And though this world, with devils filled,  
should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God hath willed  
his truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;  
one little word shall fell him.

4. That Word above all earthly pow'rs,  
no thanks to them, abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours  
through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;  
his kingdom is forever.

### **Scripture Reading: Psalm 27**

## **Sermon: *Our All-Sufficient Lord in Times of Trouble* Pastor Mark Soud**

### Introduction

#### I. Fear the Lord Alone (1-3)

#### II. Seek the Lord Alone (4-6)

#### III. Rely on the Lord Alone (7-12)

#### IV. Wait on the Lord Alone (13-14)

### Conclusion

### **Christ Our Hope in Life and Death**

1. What is our hope in life and death  
Christ alone Christ alone  
What is our only confidence  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His hand  
What comes apart from His command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ in which we stand

## Chorus

O sing hallelujah  
Our hope springs eternal  
O sing hallelujah  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace and goodness known  
In our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise  
Who stands above the stormy trial  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore the rock of Christ [Chorus]

3. Unto the grave what shall we sing  
Christ He lives Christ He lives  
And what reward will heaven bring  
Everlasting life with Him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be destroyed  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore [Chorus]

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## Growth Group Questions

1. How did Pastor Soud define "fear" in the sermon?
2. What people, situations, events, prospects, etc. are you inclined to fear in the sense above?
3. What acts of God's providence have you seen over the past weeks, months, years? Or, what acts of God's providence stand out to you in your life?
4. What are some things you're doing to seek the Lord first in your life? On the other hand, what are some things you can do to better seek the Lord first? What are some things you might need to eliminate in your life that distract you from seeking the Lord first?
5. How does the reality that the Lord Jesus Christ will return in judgment impact your life now? How *should* it impact our lives now?
6. What significance does the doctrine of adoption have in your life?
7. As you spend time in prayer together, it might be good to reflect on why the Lord hears and answers our prayers from verses 7–10. There are 6.