

BEAR WITH EACH OTHER AND
FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER IF ANY
OF YOU HAS A GRIEVANCE
AGAINST SOMEONE. FORGIVE AS
THE LORD FORGAVE YOU.

COLOSSIANS 3:13

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER CHURCH

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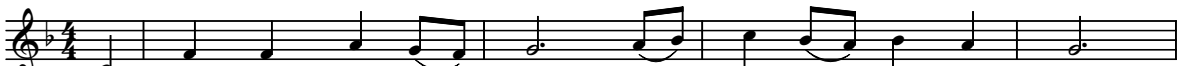
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN

“Oh Bless the Lord My Soul”

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Oh, bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let his mer - cies lie
'Tis he for - gives my sins; 'Tis he re - lieves my pain;
He fills the poor with good; He gives the suf - f'ers rest,
His won - drous works and ways He made by Mo - ses known,



And aid my tongue to bless his name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die.
'Tis he that heals my sick - ness - es And makes me young a - gain.
The Lord has judg - ments for the proud And jus - tice for th'op - pressed.
But sent the world his truth and grace By his be - lov - ed Son.

INVOCATION

P (Pastor): We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C (Congregation): **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: We confess, kind Father, that we have not loved you with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength.

C: **Forgive us, Lord.**

P: We confess that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

C: **Forgive us, Lord.**

P: We confess that we have not kept your law perfectly, and we are powerless to do so on our own.

C: **Forgive us, Lord.**

P: For Jesus' sake we come to you for forgiveness, strength, guidance, and renewal saying:

C: **God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER

P: We thank you, almighty and compassionate God, for the mercy you have shown us in Jesus our Savior. Through him you have taken away our guilt and have given the peace of full forgiveness. Lead us to love others as you have loved us, forgiving them just as in Christ we have been forgiven. In his name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they sent word to Joseph, saying, "Your father left these instructions before he died: ¹⁷ 'This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.' Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father." When their message came to him, Joseph wept.



¹⁸ His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. "We are your slaves," they said.

¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. ²¹ So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children." And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

PSALM 51 *Read responsively*

P: Create in me a pure heart, O God,

C: and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

P: Do not cast me from your presence

C: or take your Holy Spirit from me.

P: Restore to me the joy of your salvation

C: and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

P: Then I will teach transgressors your ways,

C: so that sinners will turn back to you.

P: Open my lips, Lord,

C: and my mouth will declare your praise.

P: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;

C: you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

P: My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;

C: a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.

EPISTLE LESSON


Ephesians 4:29-5:2

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. ¹ Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

SERMON HYMN

"Forgive Our Sins"

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"For - give our sins as we for - give,"
How can your par - don reach and bless
In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals
Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls

You taught us, Lord, to pray,
The un - for - giv - ing heart
The truth we dim - ly knew:
And bid re - sent - ment cease;

But you a - lone can grant us grace
That broods on wrongs and will not let
What triv - ial debts are owed to us;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love

To live the words we say.
Old bit - ter - ness de - part?
How great our debt to you!
Our lives will spread your peace.

SERMON TEXT

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

²² Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

²⁶ “At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ ²⁷ The servant’s master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

²⁸ “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

²⁹ “His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

³⁰ “But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. ³¹ When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

³² “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. ³³ Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ ³⁴ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

³⁵ “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

SERMON

A New Perspective On Forgiveness

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today 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 the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

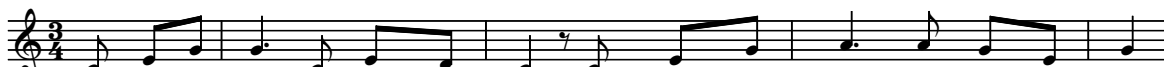
The Lord look on you with favor (†) and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Lamb of God”

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Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him from Your side
Your gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and scorned Him as he died;
I was so lost I should have died, But You have brought me to Your side



To walk up - on this guilt - y sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
The hum - ble King they named a fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
To be led by Your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God.



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the ho - ly Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the ho - ly Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the ho - ly Lamb of God.



O wash me in His pre - cious blood. My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.
O wash me in His pre - cious blood. My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.
O wash me in His pre - cious blood. Till I am just a lamb of God.

Calendar – Week of September 27th, 2020

Sunday 8:00a Family Worship

09/27 9:15a Bible Class & Sunday School

10:30a Family Worship

Monday 7:00p Outreach & Adult Discipleship -

09/28 Please join us, either in person or virtually. A virtual link will be sent out in tomorrow's COR update.

Thursday 7:00p Worship with Communion

09/31 7:45p Bible Study

Sunday 8:00a Worship with Communion

10/04 9:00a Child & Family Ministry

9:15a Bible Class & Sunday School

10:30a Worship with Communion

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY & THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS: The theme for our Fall Bible Class is Growing in Hope. The lessons focus on the hope God gives us through faith in Jesus. There's a spot for you; either Thursday evenings from 7:45p to 8:15p or Sunday mornings from 9:15a to 10:15a, and bring a friend!

OFFERINGS: The offering plate is not being passed during our worship services. It is located on a small table to your right as you exit. You may also mail your envelopes to us or go to www.christredeemer.church and click on the Online Donations tab to offer a onetime or recurring offering.

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visitors. May the Lord bless
your worship with us today.**

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