

MAY 5, 2024

THE LORD'S DAY

10:00 AM Sunday School
10:35 AM Congregational Prayer
11:00 AM **Morning Service**

— PRELUDE —

Announcements

Call to Worship

***Supplement Hymn #18** “Rejoice the Lord Is King”
DARWALL

*Prayer of Invocation

Offertory “I Need Thee Every Hour”

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford.

*I need Thee, oh, I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.*

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh.

Scripture Reading Psalm 91:1-16

Choral Anthem “The Meditations of My Heart”

May the words of my mouth
and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord.
O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,
O Lord my God and Redeemer.

Pastoral Prayer

***Psalter Hymn #124B** Psalm 124:1-8
OLD 124TH

Sermon

“God for Us”

Those whom God hath accepted in the beloved, effectually called and sanctified by his Spirit, and given the precious faith of his elect unto, can neither totally nor finally fall from the state of grace, but shall certainly persevere therein to the end, and be eternally saved, seeing the gifts and callings of God are without repentance, whence he still begets and nourisheth in them faith, repentance, love, joy, hope, and all the graces of the Spirit unto immortality; and though many storms and floods arise and beat against them, yet they shall never be able to take them off that foundation and rock which by faith they are fastened upon; notwithstanding, through unbelief and the temptations of Satan, the sensible sight of the light and love of God may for a time be clouded and obscured from them, yet he is still the same, and they shall be sure to be kept by the power of God unto salvation, where they shall enjoy their purchased possession, they being engraven upon the palm of his hands, and their names having been written in the book of life from all eternity.

This perseverance of the saints depends not upon their own free will, but upon the immutability of the decree of election, flowing from the free and unchangeable love of God the Father, upon the efficacy of the merit and intercession of Jesus Christ and union with him, the oath of God, the abiding of his Spirit, and the seed of God within them, and the nature of the covenant of grace; from all which ariseth also the certainty and infallibility thereof.

And though they may, through the temptation of Satan and of the world, the prevalency of corruption remaining in them, and the neglect of means of their preservation, fall into grievous sins, and for a time continue therein, whereby they incur God's displeasure and grieve his Holy Spirit, come to have their graces and comforts impaired, have their hearts hardened, and their consciences wounded, hurt and scandalize others, and bring temporal judgments upon themselves, yet shall they renew their repentance and be preserved through faith in Christ Jesus to the end.

London Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Chapter XVII
“Of the Perseverance of the Saints,” Sections 1-3

Benediction

— POSTLUDE —

6:00 PM **Evening Service**

— PRELUDE —

***Hymn #69** “Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee”
RIPLEY

*Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Numbers 14:1-33

Announcements

Offertory “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall, Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown him, crown him,
Crown him, crown him, And crown him Lord of all!

Let ev-ry kindred, ev-'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball, On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe, And crown him, crown him,
Crown him, crown him, And crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown him, crown him,
Crown him, crown him, And crown him Lord of all!

***Hymn #476** “Rise My Soul to Watch and Pray”
STRAF MICH NICHT

Sermon “Coming Short of God's Rest”

The grace of faith, whereby the elect are enabled to believe to the saving of their souls, is the work of the Spirit of Christ in their hearts, and is ordinarily wrought by the ministry of the Word; by which also, and by the administration of baptism and the Lord's supper, prayer, and other means appointed of God, it is increased and strengthened.

By this faith a Christian believeth to be true whatsoever is revealed in the Word for the authority of God himself, and also apprehendeth an excellency therein above all other writings and all things in the world, as it bears forth the glory of God in his attributes, the excellency of Christ in his nature and offices, and the power and fullness of the Holy Spirit in his workings and operations: and so is enabled to cast his soul upon the truth thus believed; and also acteth differently upon that which each particular passage thereof containeth; yielding obedience to the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life and that which is to come; but the principal acts of saving faith have immediate relation to Christ, accepting, receiving, and resting upon him alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.

This faith, although it be different in degrees, and may be weak or strong, yet it is in the least degree of it different in the kind or nature of it, as is all other saving grace, from the faith and common grace of temporary believers; and therefore, though it may be many times assailed and weakened, yet it gets the victory, growing up in many to the attainment of a full assurance through Christ, who is both the author and finisher of our faith.

London Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Chapter XIV
“Of Saving Faith,” Sections 1-3

Benediction

— POSTLUDE —

*congregation standing