

MARCH 23, 2025

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 #2** “And Can It Be?”
SAGINA

*Prayer of Invocation

Offertory “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Scripture Reading Mark 15:1-15

Choral Anthem “There Is a Fountain”
There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power,
'Til all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

When this poor lisping stammering tongue lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler sweeter song, I'll sing Thy power to save.

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn #175** “Hallelujah! What a Savior”
MAN OF SORROWS

Sermon “Freed by Substitution”
Those whom God effectually calleth, he also freely justifieth, not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their persons as righteous; not for anything wrought in them, or done by them, but for Christ's sake alone; not by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other evangelical obedience to them, as their righteousness; but by imputing Christ's active obedience unto the whole law, and passive obedience in his death for their whole and sole righteousness by faith, which faith they have not of themselves; it is the gift of God.

Faith thus receiving and resting on Christ and his righteousness, is the alone instrument of justification; yet it is not alone in the person justified, but is ever accompanied with all other saving graces, and is no dead faith, but worketh by love.

Christ, by his obedience and death, did fully discharge the debt of all those that are justified; and did, by the sacrifice of himself in the blood of his cross, undergoing in their stead the penalty due unto them, make a proper, real, and full satisfaction to God's justice in their behalf; yet, inasmuch as he was given by the Father for them, and his obedience and satisfaction accepted in their stead, and both freely, not for anything in them, their justification is only of free grace, that both the exact justice and rich grace of God might be glorified in the justification of sinners.

London Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Chapter XI
“Of Justification,” Sections 1-3

Benediction

— POSTLUDE —

6:00 PM **Evening Service**

— PRELUDE —

***Psalter Hymn #34A** Psalm 34:1-10
CHAMPS ELYSEES

*Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #310 “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee”
MORECAMBE

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 3:18-4:14

Announcements

Offertory “Arise, My Soul, Arise”
Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears:
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:
Before the Throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

My God is reconciled; His pard'ning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child, I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

***Supplement Hymn #35** “My Song Is Love Unknown”
LOVE UNKNOWN

Sermon “Evaluations that Correct Proud Divisions”
A particular church, gathered and completely organized according to the mind of Christ, consists of officers and members; and the officers appointed by Christ to be chosen and set apart by the church (so called and gathered), for the peculiar administration of ordinances, and execution of power or duty, which he intrusts them with, or calls them to, to be continued to the end of the world, are bishops or elders, and deacons.

The way appointed by Christ for the calling of any person, fitted and gifted by the Holy Spirit, unto the office of bishop or elder in a church, is, that he be chosen thereunto by the common suffrage of the church itself; and solemnly set apart by fasting and prayer, with imposition of hands of the eldership of the church, if there be any before constituted therein; and of a deacon that he be chosen by the like suffrage, and set apart by prayer, and the like imposition of hands.

The work of pastors being constantly to attend the service of Christ, in his churches, in the ministry of the word and prayer, with watching for their souls, as they that must give an account to Him; it is incumbent on the churches to whom they minister, not only to give them all due respect, but also to communicate to them of all their good things according to their ability, so as they may have a comfortable supply, without being themselves entangled in secular affairs; and may also be capable of exercising hospitality towards others; and this is required by the law of nature, and by the express order of our Lord Jesus, who hath ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel.

London Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Chapter XXVI
“Of the Church,” Sections 8-10

Benediction

— POSTLUDE —

*congregation standing