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TO THE LORD.

- Ephesians 5:19 -

A SERVICE OF PSALMS AND HYMNS

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We're thrilled that you are here and we want you to feel at home.

- * Restrooms are near the door that you came in today.
- * The service is printed in this worship folder. Join in as your comfortable. Ask anyone if you're lost - they'll be glad to help!
- * We're glad you brought your kids! We know and Jesus knows that little kids have a hard time sitting quietly sometimes. They are still welcome here. Jesus said: Let the little children come to me! If your little one is restless, feel free to spend a minute in the entryway, you should still be able to hear through speakers.
- * If you could use some hearing assistance, please ask the usher in the entryway, we have headsets available.

A NOTE ABOUT THIS SERVICE

The book of Psalms is often called the "hymnbook of the Old Testament." Expressed within are a wide range of human emotions: fear, shame, guilt, depression, feeling attacked and betrayed, as well as great joy, contentment, and delight in God and his love, protection, and salvation.

Martin Luther said of the Psalms: "It might well be called a little Bible. In it is comprehended most beautifully and briefly everything that is in the entire Bible. Beyond that, it presents the best of expressions which the psalmists used when they talked to God himself with great earnestness and on the most important matters. We can look into their hearts and see what kind of thoughts they had, how their hearts were disposed, and how they acted in all kinds of situations."

The Psalter reflects the Christian Church since Old Testament times even until today. Luther continues: "If you want to see the holy Christian Church painted in living color and shape, comprehended in one little picture, then take up the Psalter. There you have a fine, bright, pure mirror that will show you what Christendom is. Indeed you will find in it also yourself, your true self, as well as God himself and all creatures."

And Luther describes how we are blessed to echo the psalmists: "The Psalter is the favorite book of all the saints. Each person, whatever his circumstances may be, finds in the psalms the words which are appropriate to the circumstances in which he finds himself and meet his needs as adequately as if they were composed exclusively for his sake..."

A SERVICE OF PSALMS AND HYMNS

🌀 *The congregation speaks and sings the words in **BOLD type**.* 🌀

Opening Hymn | 633 Speak, O Lord

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Psalms of Forgiveness

Psalms of Forgiveness such as Psalm 6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, and 143 are also called penitential psalms. We stand before an almighty God against whom we have sinned by thoughts, words, actions, and desires. God alone is able to forgive us and because of His love for us He always does. We thank him for the forgiveness that He gives.

Psalm 38 was written by the Old Testament King David. He is aware of his many sins and feels that he is suffering because God is angry with him. Because of the tremendous burdens he feels, he asks the Lord to remove these afflictions and to assure him again that he is loved by God.

In this psalm David lists three burdens: The first is the physical weakness and pain caused by sickness. The second is the spiritual anguish his sins bring him. The third burden is the betrayal by his friends and relatives, even his own sons. David expresses the confidence that God gives him. God will deliver him in due time.

Christians at times feel crushed by physical pain, spiritual anguish, and trouble in relationships. But, like David, we cling to God's promises and pray fervently to him for relief in the time and hour which he knows best.

Psalm 38

O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath. For your arrows have pierced me, and your hand has come down upon me.

Because of your wrath there is no health in my body; my bones have no soundness because of my sin.

My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear. My wounds fester and are loathsome because of my sinful folly. I am bowed down and brought very low; all day long I go about mourning.

My back is filled with searing pain; there is no health in my body. I am feeble and utterly crushed; I groan in anguish of heart.

All my longings lie open before you, O Lord; my sighing is not hidden from you.

My heart pounds, my strength fails me; even the light has gone from my eyes.

My friends and companions avoid me because of my wounds; my neighbors stay far away.

Those who seek my life set their traps, those who would harm me talk of my ruin; all day long they plot deception.

I am like a deaf man, who cannot hear, like a mute, who cannot open his mouth; I have become like a man who does not hear, whose mouth can offer no reply.

I wait for you, O Lord; you will answer, O Lord my God.

For I said, "Do not let them gloat or exalt themselves over me when my foot slips." For I am about to fall, and my pain is ever with me.

I confess my iniquity; I am troubled by my sin.

Many are those who are my vigorous enemies; those who hate me without reason are numerous. Those who repay my good with evil slander me when I pursue what is good.

O Lord, do not forsake me; be not far from me, O my God. Come quickly to help me, O Lord my Savior.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and will purify us from all unrighteousness. Be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven! *(cf. 1 John 1:10)*

The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from every sin. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours, but also for the sins of the whole world. *(1 John 1:7, 2:2)*

Be seated

Hymn | 560 Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ

Psalms of Reliance and Comfort

Was there something bothering you this past week? Is there some trouble on your mind this morning? God is on your side – even when it may seem He's not - He promises.

Psalms of Reliance and Comfort such as Psalms 4, 23, 37, and 91 bring us reassurance that we are never alone. The Lord has promised to be with us always, especially during the difficult times.

In Psalm 37 David is frustrated when he sees the ungodly prospering in spite of their sins. If unbelievers can get away with sin and still be prosperous and successful, what is the use of being good?

This psalm reminds us how fleeting the happiness and prosperity of the ungodly are. We are in God's care, we are His children, and we have confidence that God gives us everything we need, for our good. We have a relationship with God that is priceless. Since God gave his only Son to be our Savior, He will certainly give us all things *(Romans 8:32)*.

We may have trouble understanding the unfairness we see in the world. God will punish the ungodly in His own good time, most certainly in the condemning judgment at the end of their lives.

We will be tempted to covet the life of the ungodly. Instead look to the wonderful things that the Lord has given us, and find contentment in knowing even troubles we may bear are not out of the Lord's control and He strengthens us with Word and Sacrament to carry our burdens with Him. We look forward to the glorious future that awaits all children of God with confidence!

Psalm 37

Do not fret because of evil men or be envious of those who do wrong; for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.

Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: he will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.

Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret – it leads only to evil.

For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land.

A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found.

But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy great peace.

The wicked plot against the righteous and gnash their teeth at them;

But the Lord laughs at the wicked, for he knows their day is coming.

The wicked draw the sword and bend the bow to bring down the poor and needy, to slay those whose ways are upright.

But their swords will pierce their own hearts, and their bows will be broken.

Better the little that the righteous have than the wealth of many wicked;

for the power of the wicked will be broken, but the Lord upholds the righteous.

The days of the blameless are known to the Lord, and their inheritance will endure forever.

In times of disaster they will not wither; in days of famine they will enjoy plenty.

But the wicked will perish: The Lord's enemies will be like the beauty of the fields, they will vanish – vanish like smoke.

The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously; those the Lord blesses will inherit the land, but those he curses will be cut off.

If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm;

Though he stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.

They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed. Turn from evil and do good; then you will dwell in the land forever.

For the Lord loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones.

They will be protected forever, but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off; the righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever.

The mouth of the righteous man utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just.

The law of his God is in his heart; his feet do not slip.

The wicked lie in wait for the righteous, seeking their very lives;

but the Lord will not leave them in their power or let them be condemned when brought to trial.

Wait for the Lord and keep his way.

He will exalt you to inherit the land; when the wicked are cut off, you will see it.

I have seen a wicked and ruthless man flourishing like a green tree in its native soil,

but he soon passed away and was no more; though I looked for him, he could not be found.

Consider the blameless, observe the upright; there is a future for the man of peace.

But all sinners will be destroyed; the future of the wicked will be cut off.

The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them,

because they take refuge in him.

Hymn | 803 Day By Day

Psalms of Meditation and Teaching

There are times when we sit back and reflect on our lives. Psalms of Meditation and Teaching such as Psalms 42-45 reflect on and help us meditate on the greatness of God and what He has done for us. They teach us to turn to the Lord in our life.

In Psalm 44 an unknown psalm writer reflects on the past as he looks at the present state of the people of ancient Israel. He gives two reasons why the people should be confident. First, God has given them victory in the past, especially when Joshua led them into the land of Canaan. Second, the people of Israel have faith in God to give them victory in the present.

This psalm concludes with a plea that God would grant them victory in order to relieve their sufferings and to uphold the honor of his name. The basis for this plea is God's unfailing grace and mercy.

Each child of God may approach him with confidence, knowing that he has watched over us and blessed us in the past and with the confidence that God will provide blessings for the future.

Psalm 44

We have heard with our ears, O God; our fathers have told us what you did in their days, in days long ago.

With your hand you drove out the nations and planted our fathers; you crushed the peoples and made our fathers flourish.

It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory. It was your right hand, your arm, and the light of your face, for you loved them.

You are my King and my God who decrees victories for Jacob. Through you we push back our enemies; through your name we trample our foes.

I do not trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; but you give us victory over our enemies, you put our adversaries to shame.

In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise your name forever.

But now, O God, you have rejected and humbled us; you no longer go out with our armies.

You made us retreat before the enemy, and our adversaries have plundered us.

You gave us up to be devoured like sheep and have scattered us among the nations.

You sold your people for a pittance, gaining nothing from their sale.

You have made us a reproach to our neighbors, the scorn and derision of those around us.

You have made us a byword among the nations; the peoples shake their heads at us.

My disgrace is before me all day long, and my face is covered with shame at the taunts of those who reproach and revile me, because of the enemy who is bent on revenge.

All this happened to us, though we had not forgotten you or been false to your covenant.

Our hearts had not turned back; our feet had not strayed from your path.

But you crushed us and made us a haunt for jackals and covered us over with deep darkness.

If we had forgotten the name of our God or spread out our hands to a foreign god, would not God have discovered it, since he knows the secrets of the heart?

Yet for your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.

Awake, O Lord! Why do you sleep? Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever.

Why do you hide your face and forget our misery and oppression?

We are brought down to the dust; our bodies cling to the ground.

Rise up and help us; redeem us because of your unfailing love.

Hymn | 609 We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

Psalms of Memorable Moments

What are some of the memorable moments of your life? What makes those particular moments memorable? Psalms of Memorable Moments such as Psalm 16 and Psalms 56-60 are called in Hebrew “a choice piece, a jewel, a gem” – memorable ways in which the Lord touched the life of the psalmists.

Psalm 57 was written by the prolific psalm writer David after a memorable moment in his life. David had refused to kill his enemy King Saul when he had the chance and David is still “on the run” from Saul and his army.

David describes his enemies, King Saul’s army, as ferocious beasts, tearing their prey, and as trappers, trying to catch an animal. David promises to praise God after he has been delivered. He is confident that, even though he has spared Saul’s life, God will keep him safe until he becomes king. David has this confidence because God is always faithful to his promises.

David compares God’s protection to the sheltering wings of a mother bird protecting her young. The bird’s wings convey God’s soaring majesty and power as well as intimate shelter.

God will keep his promises to you – the promises he made to you at your Baptism and in Scripture. Cling to his promises. And praise God because of his faithfulness to you.

Psalm 57

Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me, for in you my soul takes refuge.

I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed.

I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me. He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me;

God sends his love and his faithfulness.

I am in the midst of lions; I lie among ravenous beasts – men whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

They spread a net for my feet – I was bowed down in distress. They dug a pit in my path – but they have fallen into it themselves.

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and make music.

Awake, my soul! Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.

I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.

For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

Hymn | 836 I Walk In Danger All the Way

Psalms of Prayer

God has promised that He will hear our prayers and that He will answer us.

Psalms such as Psalms 3-6, 137, and 143 are prayers offered up to God.

In Psalm 143 David prays with confidence for relief. Repeatedly throughout this plea David mentions his relationship with God as the basis of his prayer.

But David wants more than just deliverance from danger. He also desires the faith and the wisdom to use his victory in a God-pleasing way. He looks to the Lord not only to be bailed out in a crisis, but he thirsts for a relationship with God which will permeate his whole life.

Prayer involves listening to God speak as he speaks to us in his Word and staying in constant contact with him on a daily basis.

Psalm 143

Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy; in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.

Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you.

The enemy pursues me, he crushes me to the ground; he makes me dwell in darkness like those long dead. So my spirit grows faint within me; my heart within me is dismayed.

I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.

I spread out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a parched land. Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.

Rescue me from my enemies, O Lord, for I hide myself in you. Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;

May your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

For your name's sake, O Lord, preserve my life; in your righteousness, bring me out of trouble.

In your unfailing love, silence my enemies; destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.

Hymn | 721 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Offering

Moved by God's love in Christ, we return to God our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him.



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Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially . . .]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

Psalms of Thanksgiving

Our lives are one long thanksgiving to God for all he has done. Sometimes we raise our level of thanksgiving at special occasions in our lives and for the most amazing things God has done. Psalms of Thanksgiving such as Psalm 103, 104, and 136 thank God for some of his greatest works.

Psalm 104 celebrates the wonders of God's creation, providing a home for man and animals. This psalm is arranged according to the days of creation in Genesis. However, it directs our attention not so much to the things that God has created as to the creator himself. Genesis chapters 1 and 2 is the historical record of creation; Psalm 104 is a celebration of the wisdom and love of the Creator.

The unknown psalmist closes with the prayer that God will continue to preserve his creation.

Everything we have comes from God's creation. What a loving God to provide a world so abundant and beautiful for all humanity and to give us our body, our mind, and our abilities. The outburst of the psalmist is our outburst, "Praise the Lord, O my soul."

Psalm 104

Praise the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

(Day 1 - God creates light)

He wraps himself in light as with a garment;

(Day 2 - God separates the sky from the earth.)

He stretches out the heavens like a tent and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind. He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.

(Day 3 - God separates the waters from the dry land and creates plants)

He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved. You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight; they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.

The springs give water to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst. The birds of the air nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.

He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate – bringing forth food from the earth: wine that gladdens the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread that sustains his heart.

The trees of the Lord are well watered, the cedars of Lebanon that he planted. There the birds make their nests; the stork has its home in the pine trees. The high mountains belong to the wild goats; the crags are a refuge for the coney.

(Day 4 - God creates the sun, moon, and stars which determine the cycles of our life.)

The moon marks off the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down. You bring darkness, it becomes night, and all the beasts of the forest prowl. The lions roar for their prey and seek their food from God. The sun rises, and they steal away; they return and lie down in their dens. Then man goes out to his work, to his labor until evening.

(Day 5 and 6 - God creates animals and humans)

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number – living things both large and small. There the ships go to and fro, and the leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things. When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust. When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

(Day 7 - Prayer and Praise)

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works – he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord. But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more. Praise the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord.

Hymn | 504 We Sing the Almighty Power of God

Stand

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

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.

Amen.

Be seated

Closing Hymn | 640 God's Word Is Our Great Heritage



We are grateful to the Lord for Laura Dietrich using her gifts to accompany our worship this morning and to Zach Brandt and Graham Hawes for leading us in God's Word and prayer this week. Zach and Graham serve on our Board for Spiritual Welfare (BSW). Pastor Peil and his family are visiting family in Wisconsin this week.