# The Lord's Day

# November 19, 2023 at 10:30 AM

We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.

As you join us today, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.

Please turn off your cell phone and turn your hearts and minds toward God.

## We prepare for worship

Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...

Paul has been entrusted with 'a stewardship.' Someone else has given him a treasure that he is responsible to protect, invest, and steward. This treasure is the gospel. He has to preach the gospel out of necessity. He has no choice.

Dr. Stephen Um

Prelude

Amazing Grace

William Bradley The Aisquith Handbell Choir

Please quietly prepare your hearts for worship during the Prelude.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

# We praise our great God

Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-3

- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.
- <sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

Invocation

Hymn No. 565 All for Jesus! Wycliff

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed pow'ers, All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.

Let my hands perform his bidding, let my feet run in his ways; Let my eyes see Jesus only, let my lips speak forth his praise.

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty, cling to gilded toys of dust, Boast of wealth and fame and pleasure; only Jesus will I trust.

Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus, I've lost sight of all beside; So enchained my spirit's vision, looking at the Crucified.

O what wonder! How amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings,

Deigns to call me his beloved, lets me rest beneath his wings.

## We embrace Christ's Word

Confession of Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism, Question 145

What are the sins forbidden in the ninth commandment?

The sins forbidden in the ninth commandment are, all prejudicing the truth, and the good name of our neighbors, as well as our own, especially in public judicature; giving false evidence, suborning false witnesses, wittingly appearing and pleading for an evil cause, outfacing and overbearing the truth; passing unjust sentence, calling evil good, and good evil; rewarding the wicked according to the work of the righteous, and the righteous according to the work of the wicked; forgery, concealing the truth, undue silence in a just cause, and holding our peace when iniquity calleth for either a reproof from ourselves, or complaint to others; speaking the truth unseasonably, or maliciously to a wrong end, or perverting it to a wrong meaning, or in doubtful and equivocal expressions, to the prejudice of truth or justice; speaking untruth, lying, slandering, backbiting, detracting, tale bearing, whispering, scoffing, reviling, rash, harsh, and partial censuring; misconstruing intentions, words, and actions; flattering, vain-glorious boasting; thinking or speaking too highly or too meanly of ourselves or others; denying the gifts and graces of God; aggravating smaller faults; hiding, excusing, or extenuating of sins, when called to a free confession; unnecessary discovering of infirmities; raising false rumors, receiving and countenancing evil reports, and stopping our ears against just defense; evil suspicion; envying or grieving at the deserved credit of any, endeavoring or desiring to impair it, rejoicing in their disgrace and infamy; scornful contempt, fond admiration; breach of lawful promises; neglecting such things as are of good report, and practicing, or not avoiding ourselves, or not hindering what we can in others, such things as procure an ill name.

Corporate Confession of Sin (Unison)

Ephesians 2:1-3

<sup>1</sup> And [we] were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which [we] once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

Individual Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace (Responsive)

Ephesians 2:4-10

And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> and [He] raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> For by grace [we] have been saved through faith.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,

# which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Hymn In Christ Alone Getty

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground, His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again. And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me. For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

## We acknowledge God's blessings

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

# We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

The Giving of our Gifts for Christ's Glory

Operation Christmas Child Boxes

Hymn No. 226 (v. 3)

As with Gladness Men of Old

As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare; so may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

Prayer of Dedication

Mary Lou Wickham

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Great is Thy Faithfulness* 

William Runyan The Aisquith Handbell Choir

The Doxology (Hymnal, pg. 731) and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### We are nourished by God's Word

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 9:15-18

Pew Bible pg. 957

<sup>15</sup> But I have made no use of any of these rights, nor am I writing these things to secure any such provision. For I would rather die than have anyone deprive me of my ground for boasting. <sup>16</sup> For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup> For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup> What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Sermon "I still Surrender All" Pastor Ceselsky

Sermon Outline can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

#### We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 500

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

New City Fellowship

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling; Naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace; Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,

When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

Benediction and Three-Fold Amen (**Hymnal**, pg. 740)

Danish

Postlude My Tribute Andre' Crouch
Dr. Kenneth Dean, Jr.; Director of Music Ministries

Please be seated and quietly reflect upon the Lord's grace during the Postlude.

## **Announcements**

This Year's Thanksgiving Offering will be used to support Mission to the World's Crates for Ukraine initiative. This is an opportunity to give to churches and to our brothers and sisters in Christ who are in great need as the result of nearly 2 years of war. You can use your Thanksgiving Offering envelope in your envelope box, or you can use a pink envelope and label it "Thanksgiving Offering." The timing of this offering is critical as they need to prepare shipments on November 21 – so if you are able, please do not wait until Thanksgiving to donate.

**Operation Christmas Child Boxes** are available in the narthex. Filled boxes must be returned no later than TODAY!

We will be decorating the sanctuary for the Christmas season following the worship service NEXT Sunday, November 26.

**Poinsettias for Christmas** may be ordered again this year. The sign-up book is in the narthex and the cost is \$10 again this year. The deadline to sign up for the flowers is Sunday, December 3!

# **Prayer Requests**

- 1. Please continue to be in prayer for Sylvia Barfield as she will have surgery to deal with the cancer on her lung the surgery is scheduled for Monday, November 27.
- 2. Please continue to be in prayer for the three of the children of the Johnson's cousins as the family currently lives in Israel and these three children are serving in the Israeli Defense Force.
- 3. Please continue to be in prayer for Libby Soule as she has been struggling with many of the difficulties brought on by her FND.
- 4. Please be in prayer for Aisquith members, family members and friends of the Aisquith Community who are currently struggling with various illnesses and other physical and emotional issues.

## Weekly Calendar

TODAY: 9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages

Adults – Room 11

Young children – Room 17

10:30 AM Worship Service

(Nursery available in Room 25)

Monday	6:15 PM	Handbell Choir Practice – Room 28
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
Saturday	10.00 AM	Choir Practice – Room 27

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10:30 AM Lord's Day Worship Service

12:00 PM Decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas Season

## **Coming Soon**

Sunday, December 24 – 7 PM – Christmas Eve Service

#### **Church Officers**

**Ruling Elders:** Jeff Soule & Mark Werner (Clerk)

**Deacons:** Andrew Bell (on sabbatical), Gus DeFord, Ken Schumann (President), and Rick Willis **Deaconesses:** Christine Clark, Debbie DeFord, Fran Oswinkle, & Jeanne Williams (Moderator)

## **Sermon Notes**

Date: November 19, 2023 Text: 1 Corinthians 9:15-18

Sermon Title: "I still Surrender All" Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: The Christian must surrender all to the cause of the Gospel.

Main Point 1: Paul surrenders his rights.

Point 1: What rights does Paul surrender?

Point 2: Where do our rights come from?

Point 3: What rights must we be willing to surrender?

Main Point 2: Paul surrenders his boasting.

Point 1: Boast in the Lord.

Point 2: Boast in our preaching.

Main Point 3: Paul surrenders his reward.

Point 1: The free will of man.

Point 2: The Freedom of the Gospel.

0:30 AM Women's Bible Study – Room 15 000 PM Men's Bible Study – Room 15 For the Bible Study Review the questions and notes on pgs. 49-54 Wednesday 10:30 AM

7:00 PM