

The Lord's Day

February 25, 2024 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...

God cannot be glorified by our conduct unless it be our object to act for his glory.

Charles Hodge

Prelude

Jesu, Word of God Incarnate

W.A. Mozart

Dr. Kenneth Dean, Jr.; Director of Music Ministries

Please quietly prepare your hearts for worship during the Prelude.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

We praise our great God

Call to Worship

Ephesians 5:1-2

¹ Be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Invocation

Hymn No. 55

To God Be the Glory

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To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that we may go in.

***Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory, great things he has done!***

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offended who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

We embrace Christ's Word

Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 1

What is the chief end of man?

Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.

Call to Faithfulness

Romans 15:1-3

¹ We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. ² Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. ³ For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me."

Confession of Sin and of Christ (Responsive)

Titus 3:1-7

¹ Be submissive to rulers and authorities, ... be obedient, ... be ready for every good work,

² **... speak evil of no one, ... avoid quarreling, ... be gentle, and ... show perfect courtesy toward all people.**

³ For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another.

⁴ **But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,**

⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

⁷ **so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.**

Individual Confession of Sin

Call to Faithfulness

Colossians 3:12-17

¹² Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³ bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Hymn No. 48

O Lord Most High, with All My Heart

Rockingham Old

O Lord Most High, with all my heart your wondrous works I will proclaim;
I will be glad and give you thanks and sing the praises of your name.

The Lord, the everlasting King, is seated on his judgment throne;
The righteous Judge of all the world will make his perfect justice known.

Jehovah will a refuge prove, a refuge strong for all oppressed,

A safe retreat, where weary souls in troubled times may surely rest.

All they, O Lord, that know your name their confidence in you will place,
For you have ne'er forsaken them who earnestly have sought your face.

Sing praises to the Lord Most High, to him who does in Zion dwell;
Declare his mighty deeds abroad, his deeds among the nations tell.

Reception of New Member

Mrs. Carole McQuay

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

We acknowledge God's blessings

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

RE Mark Werner

We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Softly and Tenderly

Stewart Landon
The Aisquith Choir

Come unto me, come unto me, And I will give you rest. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling for you and for me; See, at the portals he's waiting and watching, Watching for you and
for me. Come home, come home, Ye who are weary, come home; Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is
calling, Calling, O sinner, come home! Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, Promised for
you and for me! Tho' we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me.
Come home, come home, Ye who are weary, come home; Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling, O sinner, come home, Calling, O sinner, come home.

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 10:31-11:1

Pew Bible pg. 958

³¹ So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. ³² Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, ³³ just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.

¹ Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Sermon

“Mimic”

Pastor Ceselsky

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

We respond to God’s grace

Hymn

Bought by the Blood

Highland Cathedral
Bryan Chappell

Bought by the blood of heaven’s perfect Lamb,
Freed from the bonds of earth by pierced hand,
He all my worthiness and I his sin,
Nailed to a cross by pow’r of God’s love.

***Though his call take me far away,
Tho’ it cost my name, comfort and gain,
I will serve him all my days,
My life now his, my Lord.***

Bold I approach my King’s eternal throne,
Robed in a righteousness that’s not my own.
Filled with his Spirit for a holy cause,
Bearing his cross by pow’r of God’s love.

Lord, now grant me for the Gospel strife,
Grace for the morning and the fearful night,
Strengthen my zeal for my dear Savior’s reign
Raising his cross by pow’r of God’s love.

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

Danish

Postlude

Consolation

Felix Mendelssohn, Op. 30, No. 3

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

Announcements

We welcome Mrs. Carole McQuay as she joins Aisquith this morning via transfer from Covenant of Grace Presbyterian Church in Reisterstown.

Tulips for Easter. If you would like to order tulips for Easter, the book is in the back where you can sign up. (You can also email Pastor Ceselsky.) The cost is \$10 per plant (please use a pink envelope and label the envelope for “Flowers.”) The deadline to order tulips is March 10.

An updated photo-directory is coming. If you need information added, updated, or would like to change your picture in the directory, please speak to Pastor Ceselsky today.

Winter Weather Plans. As we enter now into Winter, here's how we will inform you of any changes to our Lord's Day schedule (or Bible Studies) if there is inclement weather. A statement will be posted on the front page of our website, we will send out a blast email (you can sign up for our emails on the front page of the website), and we will send out a text alert (if you want to sign up for text alerts please let Pastor Ceselsky know). This will all be done prior to 8 AM.

Prayer Requests

1. Please continue to be in prayer for Ralph Clark as he recovers from surgery on his hip. Please pray as well for John Clark's mother as she deals with a number of health issues and for the family as they care for her.
2. Please continue to be in prayer for Karen Wallace as she recovers from surgery.
3. Please continue to be in prayer for Tom Kilker's family as they mourn his death.
4. Please continue to be in prayer for Libby Soule as she struggles with the limitations and difficulties related to her FND.
5. Please continue in prayer for Anna Graham as she continues to deal with all of her back issues.
6. 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 Adults – Room 11 Children – Room 17
	10:30 AM	Worship Service (Nursery available in Room 25)
Tuesday	6:15 PM	Handbell Choir Practice – Room 28
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study – Room 15
	7:00 PM	Men's Bible Study – Room 15
		For the Bible Study Review the questions and notes on pgs. 33-47
Saturday	10:00 AM	Choir Practice – Room 27
NEXT Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday School Adults – Room 11 Children – Room 17
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service with The Lord's Supper

Church Officers

Ruling Elders: Jeff Soule & Mark Werner (Clerk)

Deacons: Andrew Bell, Gus DeFord, Ken Schumann (President), and Rick Willis

Deaconesses: Christine Clark, Debbie DeFord, Fran Oswinkle, & Jeanne Williams (Moderator)

Sermon Notes

Date: February 25, 2024

Text: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Sermon Title: "Mimic"

Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: Mimic godly leaders as they mimic Christ.

Main Point 1: Do all things for the glory of God. (v. 31)

Point 1: Use of our body.

Point 2: Whatever we do.

Main Point 2: We must not cause others to stumble. (v. 32)

Point 1: Those outside of the church.

Point 2: Those inside the church.

Main Point 3: We must love others. (v. 33)

Point 1: Seek the good of others.

Point 2: Seek the eternal good of others.