

The Lord's Day

March 3, 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...

Christ and God are equal in substance but different in relationship, and the same applies to man and woman.

John Chrysostom (347-407)

Prelude

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Asahel Nettleton

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

Psalms 25:1-5

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² O my God, in you I trust;

let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies exult over me.

³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all the day long.

Invocation

Hymn

Speak O Lord

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to You

To receive the food of Your Holy Word.

Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;

Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,

That the light of Christ might be seen today

In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us

All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

We embrace Christ's Word

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
By whom all things were made;
Who for us and for our salvation
Came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
And was made man;
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
Who spoke by the prophets;
And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Certainty of our Salvation in Christ (Responsive)

John 6:35-40

³⁵ Jesus said to [the crowds which followed him],
“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe.

³⁷ **All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.**

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.

³⁹ **And this is the will of him who sent me,**

that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

⁴⁰ **For this is the will of my Father,**

that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life,

and I will raise him up on the last day.”

The Preeminence of Christ (Responsive)

Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵ [Christ] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

¹⁶ **For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth,**
visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities
—all things were created through him and for him.

¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

¹⁸ **And he is the head of the body, the church.**

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

¹⁹ **For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,**

²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Hymn No. 342

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Regent Square

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving kindness hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants, what they ask of thee to gain,
What they gain from thee forever with the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

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 God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Come, People of the Risen King

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The Aisquith Choir

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise.
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O, Church of Christ, rejoice!**

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands; find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through ev'ry age: "Our God is all in all."

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 and Sacrament

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 11:2-3

Pew Bible pg. 958

² Now I commend you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions even as I delivered them to you. ³ But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God.

Sermon

"Well done, Thou good and faithful Servant"

Pastor Ceselsky

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

Celebration of The Lord's Supper

We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 455

And Can it Be That I Should Gain

Sagina

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

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'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),
Humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

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

Danish

Postlude

Sonatina (from: Cantata: God's Time Is Best)

J.S. Bach

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

Announcements

This year's Easter Offering will go to Mission to the World's Compassion Fund. This fund serves to assist those recovering from natural disasters around the world. You can use your Easter envelope or use a pink envelope, found in the pew racks, and label it as "Easter Offering."

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 NEXT SUNDAY, March 10.

Prayer Requests

1. Please continue to be in prayer for Ralph Clark as he continues his rehabilitation from surgery on his hip. Please continue to 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 Libby Soule as she struggles with the limitations and difficulties related to her FND.

4. Please continue in prayer for Anna Graham as she continues to deal with all of her back issues.
5. 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 with The Lord's Supper (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. 48-61		
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

Coming Soon

Thursday, March 28 – Maundy Thursday Service at Loch Raven Presbyterian Church – 7 PM
 Friday, March 29 – Good Friday Service at Aisquith – 7 PM
 Sunday, April 7 – Mission Report and Lunch with John & Gwen Cicone

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: March 4, 2024
 Text: 1 Corinthians 11:2-3
 Sermon Title: "Well done, Thou good and faithful servant."
 Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: A Biblical worldview is essential for God's commendation.

Main Point 1: Biblical Teaching. (v. 2)

Point 1: That which is "passed on."

Point 2: Taught.

Point 3: Recalled/Remembered/Kept.

Main Point 2: Biblical headship.

Point 1: Our physical head.

Point 2: Our spiritual head.

Main Point 3: Biblical Submission. (v. 3)

Point 1: Christ submits to the Father.

Point 2: Every Man must submit to Christ.

Point 3: Wives submit to your husbands.