

The Lord's Day

April 21, 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...

Do this in order that you may recall to memory what the slippery memory is so apt to lose – the impression of even the sweetest sweetness, of the most loving love, and the most self-abnegating sacrifice, which He offered for us.

Alexander MacLaren

Prelude

Softly and Tenderly

Will L. Thompson

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 104:14-15, 33-34

¹⁴ You cause the grass to grow for the livestock
and plants for man to cultivate,

that he may bring forth food from the earth

¹⁵ and wine to gladden the heart of man,

oil to make his face shine

and bread to strengthen man's heart.

³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him,

for I rejoice in the Lord.

Invocation

Hymn No. 420

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

St. George's Windsor

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side;
Praise we him whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise;
Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

We embrace Christ's Word

Prayer of Confession

Romans 6:12-14 (adapted)

Holy Father, your Word tells us that we must not let sin reign in our mortal bodies, making us obey its passions. We must not present our members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness. Rather we are called to present ourselves to you, our God and Father, as those who have been brought from death to life, and to present our members to you as instruments for righteousness. For sin must have no dominion over us, since we are not under law but under grace. Holy Father, we confess that we have fallen short, we have sinned; yet we rest in Christ for our forgiveness as we submit ourselves to Him by faith unto eternal life. To the praise of your glorious grace. Amen.

Individual Confession of Sin

Our Calling to Sacrifice?

Micah 6:6-7

⁶ “With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
⁷ Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

Christ's Sacrifice

1 Peter 2:21b-24

²¹ Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Confessional Remembrance of Christ's Sacrifice

Second Helvetic Confession (1566) XXI.2

The Lord, by this sacred rite, would have that great benefit to be kept in fresh remembrance which He procured for mankind; to wit, that by giving up His body to death and shedding His blood He has forgiven us all our sins, and redeemed us from eternal death and the power of the devil, and now feeds us with His flesh, and gives us His blood to drink; which things, being apprehended spiritually by a true faith, do nourish us up to life everlasting. And this so great a benefit is renewed so oft as the Supper is celebrated. For the Lord said, “This do in remembrance of me.”

Hymn of Remembrance

Behold the Lamb

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Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross

**So we share in this bread of life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King**

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you
Eat and remember
The wounds that healed the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one

So we share...

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you
Drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God

So we share ...

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body He loves us

**As we share in his suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again
And with joy in the feast of Heaven
Around the table of the King
Around the table of the King**

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

Eternal Life

Olive Dungan
The Aisquith Choir

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in

giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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 11:23-26 – Part 2

Pew Bible pg. 958

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Sermon

"The Delivered Meal"

Pastor Ceselsky

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

We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 426

"Till He Come"!

Redhead

"Till he come"! O let the words linger on the trembling chords;
let the little while between in their golden light be seen;
let us think how heav'n and home lie beyond that "Till he come."

When the weary ones we love enter on their rest above,
Seems the earth so poor and vast, all our life-joy overcast?
Hush, be every murmur dumb; it is only till he come.

Clouds and conflicts round us press; would we have one sorrow less?
All the sharpness of the cross, all that tells the world is loss,
Death and darkness, and the tomb, only whisper, "Till he come."

See, the feast of love is spread, drink the wine, and break the bread;
Sweet memorials, till the Lord call us round his heav'nly board;
Some from earth, from glory some, severed only till he come.

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

Danish

Postlude

Fugue in G Minor

J.S. Bach

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

Announcements

As the Lord leads, donations are needed to help build up our Help Fund. These funds are used to assist church members as they face difficult financial hardships. Donations should be placed in a pink envelope (found in the pew racks) with the envelope marked “Help Fund.”

Prayer Requests

1. Please be in prayer for Mercy Nnanna as she has been struggling with shoulder and back pain.
2. Please continue to pray for Sylvia Barfield as she continues to rehab from her partial hip replacement surgery. Pray that she will have a full recovery and be able to return home soon.
3. Please continue to be in prayer for Libby Soule as she recovers from eye lid surgery this past week. Pray that it reduces some of her eye/vision issues which add to her struggles with her FND.
4. Please continue in prayer for Anna Graham as she recovers from her latest back procedure.
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 (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. 114-125
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

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: April 21, 2024

Text: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 – Part 2

Sermon Title: “The Delivered Meal”
Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: Believers must attend to the Lord’s Supper with all sincerity.

Main Point 1: The type of meal.

Point 1: Passover meal.

Point 2: Last Supper / Lord’s Supper.

Point 3: Wedding Supper of the Lamb.

Main Point 2: The mentality properly accompanying the meal.

Point 1: One body.

Point 2: Give thanks.

Point 3: Remembrance of Christ’s sacrifice.

Main Point 3: The ingredients of the meal.

Point 1: Bread.

Point 2: Wine.