

The Lord's Day

May 19, 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...

Let everyone acknowledge, that he is indebted for whatever he has to the Spirit of God, for he pours forth his gifts as the sun scatters his rays in every direction.

John Calvin

Prelude

Brethren, We Have Met To Worship

Tune: Holy Manna – George Atkins

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

Psalm 119:105-108

¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to keep your righteous rules.

¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O Lord, according to your word!

¹⁰⁸ Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O Lord,
and teach me your rules.

Invocation

Hymn No 92

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein' Feste Burg

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure,
For lo! His doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them abideth;
The spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

We embrace Christ's Word

Christ's Glory in The Word (Responsive)

2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

¹⁷ **For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory,**

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,”

¹⁸ **we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.**

¹⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,

²⁰ **knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation.**

²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, **but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.**

Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith I.6

The whole counsel of God, concerning all things necessary for His own glory, man's salvation, faith, and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture, or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture: unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the Spirit, or traditions of men. Nevertheless we acknowledge the inward illumination of the Spirit of God to be necessary for the saving understanding of such things as are revealed in the Word; and that there are some circumstances concerning the worship of God, and the government of the church, common to human actions and societies, which are to be ordered by the light of nature and Christian prudence, according to the general rules of the Word, which are always to be observed.

Testing the Spirits (Responsive)

1 John 4:1-6

¹ Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, **for many false prophets have gone out into the world.**

² By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,

³ **and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God.**

This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already.

⁴ **[We] are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in [us] is greater than he who is in the world.**

⁵ They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them.

⁶ **We are from God.**

Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us.

By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Hymn No 94

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you. O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through the deep waters I call you to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all sufficient, shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

“E’en down to old age all my people shall prove
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

We acknowledge God’s blessings

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

RE Jeff Soule

We respond in gratitude for God’s blessing

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

Tune: Slane - Mary E. Byrne
The Aisquith Choir

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my
best thought by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Be Thou my
Wisdom, O Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee, Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I

Thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I in Thee one. High King of Heaven, the victory won, My
I reach heaven's joys - O bright heaven's Sun; Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be
my Vision, O Ruler of 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

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:8-11

Pew Bible pg. 959

⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Sermon

"I Love It When A Plan Comes Together"

Pastor Ceselsky

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

We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 432

We Give Thee But Thine Own

Schumann

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

O hearts are bruised and dead, and homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled are straying from the fold.

And we believe thy Word, though dim our faith may be,
What'er for thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

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

Danish

Postlude

Intermezzo (from: Cavalleria Rusticana)

Pietro Mascagni

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

Announcements

Pastor Ceselsky will be away from Wednesday, May 22 thru Thursday, May 30. Please contact one of the elders with any concerns.

The Aisquith Choir and Bell Choir will be holding a concert on Sunday, June 9 at 4 PM. They will be joined by bagpiper Duncan Moore for this performance. There will also be a reception to follow in room 11. Donations are needed for this performance. If you would like to make a donation, please give any funds (checks made out to Aisquith) **DIRECTLY** to Jeanne Williams or Pastor Ceselsky.

Prayer Requests

1. 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)
Saturday	10:00 AM	Choir Practice – Room 27
	12:00 PM	Handbell Choir Practice – Room 28
NEXT Sunday	No Sunday School	Next Sunday!
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Choir & Handbell Choir Concert – Sunday, June 9 at 4 PM.

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: May 19, 2024

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:8-11

Sermon Title: "I Love It When A Plan Comes Together"

Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: The Holy Spirit has perfectly gifted every believer for the common good of the church.

Main Point 1: Every believer is individually Spirit-gifted.

Point 1: To One

Point 2: Passively gifted.

Main Point 2: Only the divine Spirit individually gifts.

Point 1: As he wills.

Point 2: Spirit empowered.

Main Point 3: The individually gifted spiritual gifts.

Point 1: The utterance of Wisdom.

Point 2: The utterance of Knowledge.

Point 3: Faith.

Point 4: Healing.

Point 5: Working of Miracles.

Point 6: Prophecy and the ability to distinguish between the spirits.

Point 7: Tongues and the interpretation of tongues.