

The Lord's Day

October 20, 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...

*The resurrection is the beginning of the new age. The resurrection is the new creation, the future-in-the-present.
The whole future consummation of God's purposes in redemption is wrapped up in the resurrection of Christ.*

Alan Johnson

Prelude *Meditation on: Martyrdom Tune (Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed)* Robert W. Thygerson
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

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all
your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Invocation

Hymn No. 585

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Hendon

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou wilt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

We embrace Christ's Word

Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Gospel Prophetised (Responsive)

Isaiah 53

¹ Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

² **For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground;** he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

³ **He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;** and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

⁴ **Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.**

⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; **upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.**

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; **and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; **like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.**

⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, **who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?**

⁹ And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, **although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.**

¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief; **when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring;** he shall prolong his days; the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.

¹¹ **Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;** by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹² **Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,**

because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; **yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.**

The Gospel Applied

1 Peter 2:22-25

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. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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.

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

Abide, O Dearest Jesus

J.S. Bach
The Aisquith Choir

Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Thy grace That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
Abide, O dearest Redeemer, Among us with Thy Word And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
Abide with richest blessings Among us, bounteous Lord; Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Thy Word.
Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Thy love; Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

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 15:3-8

Pew Bible pg. 961

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

Sermon

“The Gospeled Gospel”

Pastor Ceselsky

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

We respond to God's grace

Hymn No. 691

It Is Well with My Soul

Ville Du Havre

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well with my soul.”

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul.

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so”—it is well with my soul.

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

Danish

Postlude

Fugue in D Minor

J.S. Bach

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

Announcements

Donations to MNA's Disaster Relief Ministry to help with the recovery effort from the damage cause by Hurricane Helene can be made through the following link:

<https://give.pcamna.org/to/mna-disaster-response-2024-hurricane-helene-relief/> - **Our Thanksgiving Offering this year** will also be made to MNA's Disaster Relief – so you can use your “Thanksgiving Offering” envelope or a pink envelope (labeled “Thanksgiving”) at any time to give to this important cause.

There are 2 tickets available for the Getty Concert Thursday night - October 24 (transportation to /from the concert will be provided). Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis. Please contact Pastor Ceselsky if you are interested.

This year's Reformation Service will be at 3:30 PM NEXT Sunday, October 27 at Broadneck Evangelical Presbyterian Church (235 Bay Dale Drive, Arnold, MD). The theme for the service is *Sola Christus* and Dr. Glenn Parkinson (Pastor Emeritus of Severna Park E.P church) will be preaching. If you are in need of a ride to/from the service, or can drive others, please let Pastor Ceselsky know so that we can make sure that all who wish to attend are able.

Nominations for Elders, Deacons and Deaconesses may be submitted to Pastor Ceselsky, RE Mark Werner or RE Jeff Soule this month.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are available in the narthex. Please feel free to fill as many as you want. Please check off which gender and age-range that the box is for. Boxes must be returned no later than Sunday, November 24.

Prayer Requests

1. Please continue to be in prayer for Debbie DeFord as she recovers and rehabs from her bypass surgery.
2. Please continue to be in prayer for George Johnson's nephew, Jesse, as he serves in the Israeli Defense Force. Pray as well for George's family as they live in this war-torn country.
3. Please continue to be in prayer for Mary Lou Wickham as she continues to deal with tremendous pain in her back (and leg).
4. Please continue to be in prayer for Joyce Donohue as she recovers/rehabs from a recent fall.
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 for all ages Children – Rooms 16 & 17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Choir Practice – Room 27
	12:00 PM	Prayer Service for the Nation/Election

Wednesday	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study – Rooms 15 & 16 (Please prepare pages 22-24 – Sarah)
	7:00 PM	Men's Bible Study – Rooms 15 & 16 (Please prepare pages 43-47)
Thursday	7:00 PM	Getty Concert – Fellowship Alliance Chapel – Medford, N.J.
NEXT Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages Children – Rooms 16 & 17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Choir Practice – Room 27
	3:30 PM	Reformation Worship Service – Broadneck E.P. Church

Coming Soon

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service – Wednesday, November 27 – 7 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: October 20, 2024

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Sermon Title: "The Gospeled Gospel"

Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: The Christian's focus must always be on the Gospel.

Main Point 1: The Gospel's communication. (v. 3a)

Point 1: Paul's reception of the Gospel.

Point 2: Paul's delivery of the Gospel.

Point 3: The Gospel's first importance.

Main Point 2: The Gospel's content.

Point 1: Christ Died. (v. 3b)

Subpoint A: Christ died for our sins.

Subpoint B: Christ died according to the Scriptures

Point 2: Christ was buried. (v. 4a)

Point 3: Christ was raised. (v. 4b)

Subpoint A: Christ was resurrected on the third day.

Subpoint B: Christ was resurrected in accordance with the Scriptures.

Point 4: Christ appeared.

Subpoint A: Cephas. (v. 5a)

Subpoint B: The Twelve. (v. 5b)

Subpoint C: More than 500 Brothers. (v. 6)

Subpoint D: James. (v. 7a)

Subpoint E: All of the Apostles. (v. 7b)

Subpoint F: Paul. (v. 8)