

CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service – October 17, 2021

Revised Common Lectionary Readings
21st Sunday after Pentecost/Ordinary Time
Year B

Isaiah 53:4-12
Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35b
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45

Prelude

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

adapted from Psalm 104:1-4 and Mark 10:45

We gather to worship God,
who stretched the heavens like a tent and set the earth on its foundations.

We gather to worship God,
who rides the winds like a chariot and wears light as a garment.

We gather to worship God,
who suffered for our sake and offers us abundant life.

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Hymn

How Lovely, Lord
Glory to God Hymnal, #402

Confession*

Isaiah 53:6

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way..."

Lord Jesus Christ, you know our sin. We want you to do whatever we ask of you, but we are unwilling to do what you ask of us. We want to sit beside you in your glory, but we fail to stand beside you in your suffering, and with the suffering of others. We want to be first in your kingdom, but we are among the last to serve the least of these.

Forgive us, Lord. Pour out your mercy upon us and wash us clean in your saving grace, for you sake and that of our neighbor.

(personal confession)

**adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*

Assurance and Passing of the Peace

Mark 10:45

"For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and we are redeemed.

Thanks be to God

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Scripture

Mark 10:32-45

The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God stands forever.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon*Adventures In Missing the Point***Hymn***The Church of Christ in Every Age*
Glory to God Hymnal, #320 (vv. 1, 3, 5)**Affirmation of Faith**Apostles' Creed
(ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

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

Call for the Offering*

Mark 10:43

"...but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant..."

With humility and hope, and in service to others, let us consider what we have received from God, and how it may be offered back for the sake of others.

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Prayer of Dedication**Announcements****Prayers of the People****Hymn***There Is a Redeemer*
Glory to God Hymnal, #443**Charge and Benediction****Postlude**