

Worship Leader Edition  
God Looks at Our Heart

October 24, 2021

8:30 AM

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GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}* (Pat Lair)

+CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *{Front Center}* (Pastor Jo Bauman)

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L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as you love us. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

+GATHERING HYMN

“O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”

ELW #658

**Verse 1**

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,  
The fount of life, the light of all;  
From ev'ry bliss that earth imparts  
We turn, unfilled, to hear your call.

**Verse 2**

We taste you, ever-living bread,  
And long to feast upon you still;  
We drink of you, the fountainhead;  
Our thirsting souls from you we fill.

**Verse 3**

For you our restless spirits yearn,  
Where'er our changing lot is cast;  
Glad, when your smile on us you turn,  
Blest, when by faith we hold you fast.

**Verse 4**

O Jesus, ever with us stay!  
Make all our moments fair and bright!  
Oh, chase the night of sin away!  
Shed o'er the world your holy light.

+GREETING *{Front Center}* (Pat Lair)

L: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

**C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lam of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

L: God of strength, in David you chose a king with a big heart. Create clean and willing hearts in us, and choose us to do your work.

**C: Amen.**

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WORD

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The LORD said to Samuel, ‘How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.’ Samuel said, ‘How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.’ And the LORD said, ‘Take a heifer with you, and say, “I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.” Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.’ But the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.’ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the LORD chosen this one.’ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the LORD chosen this one.’ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The LORD has not chosen any of these.’ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

SECOND READING

Psalm 51:10-14

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”

ELW pg. 142

**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

+THE HOLY GOSPEL *{Pulpit}*

Luke 8:1-3

Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod’s steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *{Pulpit}*

Pastor Jo Bauman

+HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True”  
*Verses 1, 3 & 4*

**ELW #675**

**Verse 1**

O Christ, our light, O Radiance true,  
Shine forth on those estranged from you,  
And bring them to your home again,  
Where their delight shall never end.

**Verse 4**

Lord, let your mercy’s gentle ray  
Shine down on others strayed away.  
To those in conscience wounded sore  
Show heaven’s waiting, open door.

**Verse 3**

Lord, open all reluctant ears  
And take away the needless fears  
Of those who tremble to express  
The faith their inmost hearts confess.

+THE APOSTLES’ CREED *{Front Center}* (Pat Lair)

*Screen*

**C: 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.**

+THE PRAYERS *{Front Center}* (Pat Lair)

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*After each petition:*

L: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Pat Lair*)

*Screen*

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

“Thy Word” *Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith/arr. Geschke*  
*Bells of Praise*

LSS THANK YOU

*Pastor Julie Wright*

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SENDING

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+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (*Pastor Jo Baumann*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*Please share of wave of peace with one another.*

+BENEDICTION {*Front Center*} (*Pastor Jo Bauman*)

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

+SENDING HYMN

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

**ELW #865**

**Verse 1**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
To his feet your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!

**Verse 2**

Praise him for his grace and favor  
To our forebears in distress.  
Praise him, still the same forever,  
Slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!

**Verse 3**

Tenderly he shields and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame he knows.  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Widely as his mercy flows.

**Verse 4**

Angels help us to adore him,  
Who behold him face to face.  
Sun and moon bow down before him;  
All who dwell in time and space.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

+DISMISSAL {*Front Center*} (*Pat Lair*)

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE