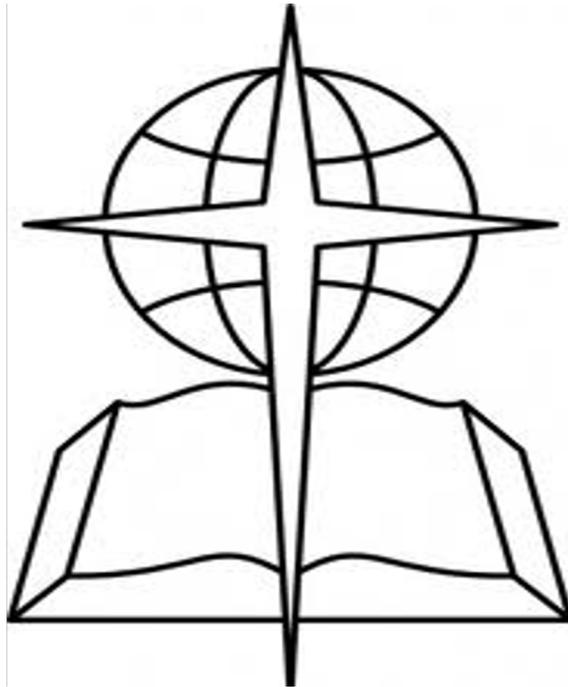


Soli Deo Gloria

To God Alone be the Glory



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Order of Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Praise

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

**He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.**

**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;**

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,**

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Hymns of Praise

HE LEADETH ME (*Hymn #81*)

1. He leadeth me, O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.
2. Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters still, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.
3. Lord, I would place my hand in Thine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.
4. And when my task on earth is done,
When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

MY FAITH HAS FOUND A RESTING PLACE *(Hymn #454)*

1. My faith has found a resting place Not in device nor creed;
I trust the Ever-living One, His wounds for me shall plead.
*I need no other argument, I need no other plea;
It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.*
2. Enough for me that Jesus saves, This ends my fear and doubt;
A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.
3. My heart is leaning on the Word, The written Word of God,
Salvation by my Savior's name, Salvation through His blood.
4. My great Physician heals the sick, The lost He came to save;
For me His precious blood He shed, For me His life He gave.

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Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:19-34

¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust^[a] destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

²⁴“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.^[b]

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?^[c] ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

The First Question (*From Heidelberg Catechism*)

What is your only comfort in life and death?

**That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own,
but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ;
Who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins,
and delivered me from all the power of the devil;
and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father,
not a hair can fall from my head;
Yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation,
and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life,
and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.**

Hymn of Response

CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

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| 1. What is our hope in life and death? | Christ alone, Christ alone. |
| What is our only confidence? | That our souls to him belong. |
| Who holds our days within his hand? | What comes, apart from his command? |
| And what will keep us to the end? | The love of Christ, in which we stand. |

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

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| 2. What truth can calm the troubled soul? | God is good, God is good. |
| Where is his grace and goodness known? | In our great Redeemer's blood. |
| Who holds our faith when fears arise? | Who stands above the stormy trial? |
| Who sends the waves that bring us nigh | Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? |
| 3. Unto the grave, what will we sing? | "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!" |
| And what reward will heaven bring? | Everlasting life with him. |
| There we will rise to meet the Lord, | Then sin and death will be destroyed, |
| And we will feast in endless joy, | When Christ is ours forevermore. |

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Scripture Readings

1 TIMOTHY 6:3-19

³ If anyone teaches a different doctrine and does not agree with the sound^[a] words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching that accords with godliness, ⁴ he is puffed up with conceit and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy craving for controversy and for quarrels about words, which produce envy, dissension, slander, evil suspicions, ⁵ and constant friction among people who are depraved in mind and deprived of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain. ⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, and^[b] we cannot take anything out of the world. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. ⁹ But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

¹¹ But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before^[c] Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴ to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

HEBREWS 13:5-6

⁵ Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” ⁶ So we can confidently say,

“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?”

Sermon

“Christian Freedom”

I. THE SNARE SET FOR THE CHRISTIAN

A. The L_____ of M_____ which is... (Heb. 13:5-6)

- ... the H_____ of I_____ (Matt. 6:24)
- ...the R_____ of Many E_____ (1 Tim. 6:10)

B. The D_____ to be R_____ which... (1 Tim. 6:9-10)

- ... C_____ our C_____
- ...P_____ us into R_____

II. TWO EXAMPLES / WARNINGS FOR CHRISTIANS

A. In the Old Testament

- Gehazi (2 Kings 15)

B. In the New Testament

- Judas Iscariot (Matthew 26-27)

III. HOW CHRIST SETS US FREE (Heb. 13:5-6; Matt. 6)

A. Our Freedom is Found...

- ...in our C_____ in C_____
- ...in our G_____ & G_____ Works

B. Our Freedom is Inspired by the Promises of Christ

- “I will never L_____ you nor F_____ you!”
- “You will have T_____ in H_____!”

Hymn of Response

IT IS WELL (*Hymn #447*)

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

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

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
3. My sin, oh, 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!
4. And Lord, haste the day when my 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.

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Doxology & Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

The Apostle's Creed

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

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary.
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
on the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits 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 Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The MSBC Church Covenant

In the presence of God and of men, confessing Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, and relying on the help of the Holy Spirit, we joyfully and solemnly covenant with each other:

- Habitually to observe secret prayer
- Devoutly to study the Scriptures and teach them to our children
- Heartily to sustain the work and worship of the Church
- Faithfully to observe the ordinance of the Lord's Supper
- To walk together in brotherly love and exercise a Christian care and watchfulness over one another
- To aid as God shall prosper us in supporting a faithful ministry
- To seek as we have opportunity to lead others to Jesus Christ
- To live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, abstaining from whatever is unbecoming the Christian profession

Preparing Our Hearts & Receiving the Bread and Cup

Closing Hymn

THE COMMUNION HYMN (*Hymn #404*)

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 Saviour, Jesus Christ, Torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love...Around the table of the King.

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 in this Bread of Life, And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace...Around the table of the King.

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 here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven...Around the table of the King.

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Benediction