

**Good Shepherd Church - A Baptist Reformed Fellowship  
Worship Guide June 5, 2020**

**Greeting-** *To those who are the called, loved by God the Father and kept by Jesus Christ. May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. Jude 1*

**Call to Worship:**

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**They will say of the Lord, “God is my refuge  
and fortress, the one in whom we trust.”**

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the refuge of God’s wings.

**They will not fear the terror of the night  
nor the arrow that flies by day.**

Nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

**(Ps. 91:1-6)**

“Those who love me, I will deliver,” says the Lord.

**The Lord lives! Let us praise the God of our salvation.**

**Invocation-**

Pastor Jeff

**Hymn - Come O Fount of Every Blessing**

Come, o Fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing your grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise:  
songs of God’s abundant treasure,  
sung by angel tongues above,  
songs that tell the boundless measure  
of my Lord’s unchanging love!

2. I remember God’s great mercy:  
by his help I’ve safely come;  
and I know he will not fail me,  
but will surely bring me home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
wandering far away from God,  
and, to rescue me from danger,  
shed for me his precious blood.

3. Through God’s grace I am his debtor-  
daily I this thought renew!  
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter  
bind my wandering heart to you.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love!  
Take my heart, O take and seal it,  
seal it from your courts above!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NjfToqk5w5g>

## **Call to Confession**

Through the prophet Isaiah God declares:

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite. Isaiah 57:15

## **Acknowledging Our Sins**

### **Let us pray together:**

Father in heaven, we thank you for the freedom you have given us through the life, death and resurrection of your Son. But we confess today that we often live like slaves. Instead of living like you delight in us, we avoid you in shame and guilt. Instead of receiving your favor as a gift, we try to earn it with our efforts. Instead of accepting your freedom, we prefer our chains. Instead of pursuing your purposes, we cling to our short-sighted agendas. Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us. It is in Jesus' name that we pray, for he is our Savior, and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.

**Words of Assurance:** *In Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them. For God made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. 2 Cor. 5:19,21*

## Hymn- **Children of the Heavenly Father**

Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth,  
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Though He giveth or he taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh,  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

God His own doth tend and nourish;  
In his holy courts they flourish,  
From all evil things He spares them;  
In His mighty arms He bears them.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f1Le7-y9xVI>

## **Praying the Psalms**

*Teach me your way, O LORD, THAT I may walk in your truth;*

*unite my heart to fear your name. Psalm 86:11*

Psalm 32- Blessedness of Forgiveness

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Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts

no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.  
For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.  
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. *Selah*

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Selah*  
Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not reach him.  
You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. *Selah*

*God's Response:*

*I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.  
Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,  
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
or it will not stay near you.  
Many are the sorrows of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.  
Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!  
Amen*

<https://www.biblestudytools.com/audio-bible/esv/psalms/32.html>

Pleas for Mercy

**Psalm 6 O Lord Deliver My Life**

O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger,  
nor discipline me in your wrath.  
Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;  
heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled.  
My soul also is greatly troubled.  
But you, O Lord—how long?  
Turn, O Lord, deliver my life;  
save me for the sake of your steadfast love.  
For in death there is no remembrance of you;  
in Sheol who will give you praise?  
I am weary with my moaning;  
every night I flood my bed with tears;  
I drench my couch with my weeping.  
My eye wastes away because of grief;  
it grows weak because of all my foes.  
Depart from me, all you workers of evil,  
for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.  
The Lord has heard my plea;  
the Lord accepts my prayer.  
All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled;  
they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.

<https://www.biblestudytools.com/audio-bible/esv/psalms/6.html>

### **Psalm 13 A Lament with Hope**

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long must I take counsel in my soul  
and have sorrow in my heart all the day?

How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God;

light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"

lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

But I have trusted in your steadfast love;

my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

I will sing to the Lord,

because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Amen

<https://www.biblestudytools.com/audio-bible/esv/psalms/13.html>

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

### **Seeking God in Prayer**

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him;

God is a refuge for us. *Selah* Psalm 62:8

Prayer concerns, intercessions and petitions with thanksgivings

Prayers of the People

### **A Prayer During an Epidemic**

Almighty God, heavenly Father, give us grace to trust You during this time of illness and distress. In mercy put an end to the coronavirus that afflicts us. Grant relief to those who suffer, and comfort all who mourn. Sustain all medical personnel in their labors, and cause Your people ever to serve You in righteousness and holiness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

### **Proclamation of the Word**

Scripture Text- Romans 8:32-39

### **Sermon- Confident in Christ**

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He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

**“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”**

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Sermon- “Confident in Christ” by Jeff Gregory

Prayer

Hymn – “Sovereign Ruler of the Skies”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fp322KgvjvM>

### Hymn – “Sovereign Ruler of the Skies”

Sovereign ruler of the skies,  
Ever gracious, ever wise,  
All our times are in Thy hand,  
All events at Thy command.

He that formed us in the womb,  
He shall guide us to the tomb;  
All our ways shall ever be  
Ordered by His wise decree.

Times of sickness, times of health,  
Times of poverty and wealth;  
Times of trial and of grief,  
Time of triumph and relief.

Times the tempter's power to prove,  
Times to taste a Savior's love:  
All must come, and last and end,  
As shall please my heavenly Friend.

Mortal dangers round me fly,  
Till He bids I cannot die:  
Not a single arrow hits  
Till, in love, our God permits.

God all-gracious, wise and just,  
in your hands my life I trust;  
You at all times I will bless:  
having you I all possess.

### Presenting Our Offerings

*Ascribe to Yahweh the glory of His name; bring an offering and come before Him.*

*Worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness. 1 Chronicles 16:29*

Prayer of Dedication Online Giving- <https://gsccdallas.org>

### Hymn- Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,

with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world and the next.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sR6Kajdt3M>

### Doxology

All praise and thanks to God  
who reign in highest heaven  
to Father and to Son  
and Spirit now be given,  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for so it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

### **The Holy Supper**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is with us.**

This is the table of the Lord. He invites all who love him and trust in him alone  
for their salvation to sit with him and share in this joyful feast.

*People:* **Why do we come to this table?**

*Pastor:* We come to this table because of Jesus' command and invitation.

In remembrance of him, of his atoning sacrifice for us,  
Jesus tells us to eat this broken bread and to drink this cup  
in true faith and to keep doing so until he comes again.

*People:* **How is this meal different from all others?**

*Pastor:* This meal is different from all others because it is the Lord's new covenant sign.

In this supper God tells us that our sins have been completely forgiven  
through the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross  
where his body was broken and his blood was shed.

God also tells us that the Holy Spirit makes us one with Christ,  
and in Christ one with all other Christians.

### **The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness fails me never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow  
a ransomed soul, he leads me;  
and where the fertile pastures grow,  
with food from heaven feeds me.

3 Perverse and foolish I have strayed,  
but in his love he sought me;  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with you, dear Lord, beside me;  
your rod and staff my comfort still,  
your cross before to guide me.

5 You spread a banquet in my sight  
of grace beyond all knowing;  
and, oh, the wonder and delight  
from your pure chalice flowing!

6 And so through all the length of days  
your goodness fails me never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise  
within your house for ever!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iu83WQdQ7-Y>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MwqahDvURsQ>

### ***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty

to give thanks to you at all times and all places, O Lord, our creator, almighty and ever living God!

You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth and all its plenty.

You have given us life and being, and you preserve us by your providence.

But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation.

For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you, we praise and bless you, O God.

With the whole church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

[Sung or spoken]

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

For your kindness to us and your goodness to all,  
we give you thanks.

We thank you that you showed your love by sending your Son,  
who gave his life for us,  
and rose again from death,  
and lives to pray for us forever.

We thank you that he has taken away all that separates us from you, and has made us friends with  
you and with one another.

We thank you that he has brought us together at this table,  
to strengthen us by his love.

Send your Holy Spirit  
on us and these your gifts of bread and wine,  
that we may know Christ's presence,  
real and true, and be his faithful followers,  
showing your love for the world.

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*People: Why do we eat the bread?*

*Pastor:* The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. We remember and believe that  
the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

*People: Why do we drink the cup?*

*Pastor:* The cup for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ. We remember and  
believe that the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was shed for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

### **Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup**

Jesus said this is my body given for you.

***The bread that we break and share is a participation in the body of Christ.***

This cup is the blood of the new covenant shed for the forgiveness of the sins of many.

***The cup that we share is a participation in the blood of Christ.***

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

### **Bread with Cup Passed**

Take them and feed upon Christ Jesus by faith in your hearts with thanksgiving.

#### **At Bread**

Take and eat the body of our Lord.

#### **At the Cup**

Take and drink the blood of the New Covenant shed for you.

**Hymn- O God Our Help in Ages Past**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z50HteIPWi8>

Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

2 Under the shadow of your throne  
your saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is your arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting you are God,  
to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in your sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all its sons away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.

6 Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come:  
O be our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

**Benediction-** *Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17*

**Amen**