

**ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN FOR LIVESTREAM SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BAKERSFIELD, November 22, 2020, 9:30 AM**

**Hymn: “We Gather Together”**

Verse 1

We gather together to ask  
The Lord’s blessing;  
He chastens and hastens  
His will to make known.  
The wicked oppressing  
Now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to His name;  
He forgets not His own.

Verse 2

Beside us to guide us,  
Our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining  
His kingdom divine;

So from the beginning  
The fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side,  
All glory be thine!

Verse 3

We all do extol thee,  
Thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our  
Defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation  
Escape tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised!  
O Lord, make us free!

Words: *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626; trans. By Theodore Baker, 1894  
Music: 16<sup>th</sup> Cen. Dutch melody; arr. By Edward Kremser, 1877

**Invocation: Pastor Richard**

**Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-20**

<sup>2</sup> Remember how the LORD your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands. <sup>3</sup> He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>4</sup> Your clothes did not wear out and your feet did not swell during these forty years. <sup>5</sup> Know then in your heart that as a man disciplines his son, so the LORD your God disciplines you.

<sup>6</sup> Observe the commands of the LORD your God, walking in obedience to him and revering him. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills; <sup>8</sup> a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey; <sup>9</sup> a land where bread will not be scarce and you will lack nothing; a land where the rocks are iron and you can dig copper out of the hills.

<sup>10</sup> When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

***Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)***

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

## Announcements

### Praise Song: "He Shall Reign"

#### Verse 1

Holy holy holy  
Our God is on the throne  
So firm is His foundation  
No power can overthrow

#### Chorus

And He shall reign  
Forever and ever

#### Verse 2

One name outlasts the ages  
Through time His truth revealed  
While kings may pass like shadows  
Our God is sovereign still

#### Bridge

To the Lamb upon the throne  
Hallelujah hallelujah  
To the Lord forevermore  
Hallelujah hallelujah

Hallelujah hallelujah

Hallelujah hallelujah

#### Verse 3

The day I stand before Him  
What praise will fill my soul  
And there behold His glory  
And praise Him all the more

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## Pastoral Prayer:

### Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:15-20, 1 John 3:7-8

#### Colossians 1:15-20

<sup>15</sup> The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup> For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. <sup>19</sup> For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

#### 1 John 3:7-8

<sup>7</sup> Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. <sup>8</sup> The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

# Message: "Christ: Redeemer and King"

Colossians 1:15-20; 1 John 3:7-8

## A Fallen World

There is a need for better arms if ever we are \_\_\_\_\_ vice and steadily persevere in the practice of virtue.

... *For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing,* Romans 7:16-19.

God, who is holy, is the only solution to our problem of \_\_\_\_\_.

*We know that He was manifested to take away our sins,* 1 John 3:5.

*The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work...* 1 John 3:8.

## Works of the Devil

The devil's work is to keep us bound \_\_\_\_\_.

...*The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning,* 1 John 3:8.

Adam and Eve, representing \_\_\_\_\_ were created in the image of God, and given:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

God created humans in His \_\_\_\_\_ image,

\_\_\_\_\_ begot pride, deeming themselves wiser than God and knowing a better way to find happiness.

## Son of God Revealed

Christ was manifested as the only begotten Son of God, equal to the Father, to the inhabitants of heaven before the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world.

*The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created...* Col. 1:15-16.

*Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,* John 1:29.

... *it was for this very reason I came to this hour,* John 12:27,

*The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again,* John 10:17.

When you take Christ into your heart as your Savior, He effectually destroys the works of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Works of the Savior

It is not by reasoning, but by \_\_\_\_\_ that we see ... *that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them,* 2 Cor. 5:19.

As Satan turned the heart of humans from the Creator to the creature, so the Son of God turns their heart back to \_\_\_\_\_.

We must first know Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_ who came to defeat the devil and all his dark works.

***Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father,* Phil 2:9-11.**

## Praise Song: "In Christ Alone"

Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

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Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no schemes of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## Reception of New Members: Sarah Alano and Dariel Gregorio

### Offering:

### Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"

Verse 1

Now thank we all our God,  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom this world rejoices;

Who from our mothers' arms  
Has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

Verse 2

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and  
Blessed peace to cheer us;

And keep us still in grace,  
And guide us when perplexed;  
And free us from all ills,  
In this world and the next.

Verse 3

All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given;  
the Son, and Him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven;  
the one eternal God,  
whom earth and heaven adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

Words: Martin Rinkart, 1636, trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1858

Music: Johann Crüger, 1647; harm. By Felix Mendelssohn, 1840

## **Benediction**

### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!  
Amen, Amen, Amen! God, we praise You!  
God, we praise You!

### **Participating in today's live stream service:**

Dr. Richard Thompson, *Pastor*  
Andrew Irvin, *Director of Worship and Music*  
Worship Leader: Andrew Irvin  
Scripture: Christie Howell  
Psalm Reading: Dan Tuttle  
Announcements: Adlai Wilson  
Offering: Andrew Irvin

*Instrumentalists:*  
Organ: Rebecca Spickler  
Keyboard: Aaron Thompson  
Piano: Andrew Irvin, Dumisani Irvin  
Drums: Dumisani Irvin  
Vocals: Andrew Irvin, Aaron Leppke, Kathleen Schaffer

*Tech:*  
*Sound:* James Dethlefsen  
*Live Stream Camera:* Ed French, Lucas Metcalf  
*Projection:* Victor Agbayani

Greeters: Marti Ingalls, Jindel Santos, Mary Jane Santos, Odel Santos,

Ushers: Bonnie Bowles, Gary Oldham, Jan Ramey, Linda Mendez, William Mendez, Joyce Perrone

Safety Team: Dusty Ramey, Rick McDonald, Ray Bowles

# Announcements & Information: November 22, 2020

**Please give a big welcome to new members Sarah Alano and Dariel Gregorio!** Many of you already know who they are, but if not, they are members of the Alano and Canlas families!

**IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE!** How has God provided for you in 2020? Considering what He did for us in 2020, we can move *Forward in Faith* in 2021 knowing that God will provide for all those who put Him first in their giving through their generosity to the church. Bring your pledge card to church, drop it in the mail or use our online pledge form found under the giving tab on the church web page.

**People live when people give!** The Houchin Blood drive is today! Stop in the Fellowship Hall and find an open time slot if you haven't signed up ahead of time.

**The Great Christmas Bazaar will be taking place from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Saturday, December 5!** As in the past, it is a wonderful mix of beautiful crafts, HOMEMADE treats, a raffle, and a scrumptious lunch! New this year are the Covid 19 protocols! Lunch tickets are on sale in the Narthex on Sunday and on the church website for \$12 each. Contact Marti Ingalls, 661-431-4321, if you are interested in helping or providing items for sale.

**We Care About Our Church Family!** Our office is staffed from 9 AM—4 PM Monday—Thursday, and 9 AM—1 PM on Fridays. Call or stop in!

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