

Saturday, 4/5

Read tomorrow's sermon passage **Zephaniah 1:1-13** and meditate on what it means to for God to judge people.

Prepare today for the gathered worship service tomorrow.

Pray for God's glory to be more and more manifested in the greater Portland area. Pray that his name will be glorified and worshipped throughout Portland, Maine, and northern New England and that he will use you and the church to this end.

And Can It Be

1. And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Refrain

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2. 'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design? In vain the first born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

Refrain

3. He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!) humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

Refrain

4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

Refrain

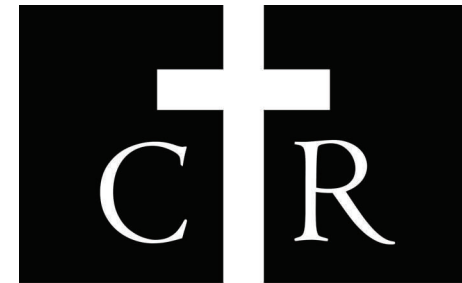
5. No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Refrain

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Taking Gathered Worship Home

Family and Individual Devotions



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Week of March 30th

How do we as a community of faith live out the gospel truths we hear from God's word each Sunday morning in gathered worship? One of the means God uses to apply His word in our daily lives is the regular devotional reading and studying of His word by families and individuals. CTR wants to encourage you to dig into the Bible throughout the week. Here is a guide for how you might do that.

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Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty.” Let us consider this week how our holy and righteous Father has clothed us in the glorious purity of His Son and called us to live in that holiness together with Him. May He continue His work in us, conforming us more and more into the image of His beloved Holy One.

Please use the devotional material below each day this week to meet with Jesus. Please pray that we as a community of faith will learn His ways and walk in them to accomplish His purposes.

Sunday, 3/30 **Read** today’s passage: **First Peter 1:10-16**. What does it mean for us as God’s people to be called to holiness?

Rejoice in this great salvation that God has given us in Christ. Sing “And Can It Be” and give thanks for the redemption we have in Him.

Pray, “Father, You are holy. There is not even a shadow or speck of unrighteousness in You. You are worthy of all praise and honor and I pray that You would glorify Your name throughout Portland, Maine, and northern New England. Thank You for the holiness You have given us in Christ. I ask that You would continue to make us live out that holiness in our daily lives together. Make us more and more like Jesus. In His name we pray. Amen.”

Monday, 3/31 **Read Isaiah 6:1-8**.

Meditate on God’s holiness. In Scripture repetition three times is a way of emphasizing something. Of all God’s attributes His holiness alone is stressed in this way. Ask the Lord to give you a glimpse of His absolute holiness.

Pray for many in the greater Portland area to see the majesty of his name as they look at the works of his hands. Pray that He would raise up children and infants including you to hallow, to proclaim the majesty of his name.

Tuesday, 4/1 **Read Leviticus 11:41-45**. Consider His holiness

Pray the Lord’s Prayer:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,”

Ask God to use you in making His name hallowed (worshipped and glorified) among your family and friends.

“Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

Praise God for beginning His kingdom on earth. Ask Him to extend it today.

“Give us today our daily bread.”

Thank God for all His provision for you. Ask Him for the things you need.

“Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.”

Ask God to make us so aware of how much He has forgiven us that we would be forgiving also.

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

Praise Christ for delivering us from sin and death and ask Him to continue to rescue us daily.

Wednesday, 4/2

Read 1 Corinthians 10:23-33. Paul is addressing a particular question in the Corinthian church by stating a larger principle for our lives—that whatever we do, we do to the glory of God. How does this attitude affect what you are doing today?

Hallow his name by singing the Doxology, literally the praising where we sing alleluias (from the Hebrew for “Praise the Lord”) to him

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Alleluia, alleuia

Praise him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Pray, giving glory to God and asking him to reorient you to your own need to glorify, to praise, to worship and hallow his name.

Thursday, 4/3

Read First Peter 1:10-16 again. How does living according to the hope God has given us relate to glorifying God with our whole lives? How does seeing His holiness lead to hallowing His name? What does it mean to live according to our new name?

Rejoice that in Christ we can freely worship and hallow God’s name; that through Christ we can desire the Father’s glory more than our own and can come to him seeking it.

Pray, “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. I draw near to you with confidence, coming as a child to a father, able and ready to help me. Enable me and others to glorify you in all that we do as we live and work in the creation that displays your power and mercy, and be pleased to dispose all things to your own glory. Amen”

Friday, 4/4

Come to the prayer meeting **today at noon**.

Read Revelation 4:1-11. What a vision of the worship of our Father in heaven! How can we reflect that reality of who he is in our lives and worship today?

Worship him in heavenly glory today!

Pray that this heavenly worship would break through in our worship together this week.

Praise him with song by singing “And Can It Be” adoring him and entering into that heavenly worship.