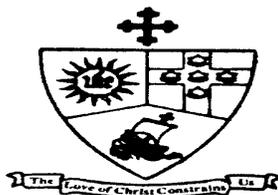


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ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE

16th LORD'S DAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 20, 2020

8:30 a.m.

PREACHER

Bro. Seymour Panton

ORDER OF WORSHIP

INTROIT : Hymn #186 – "All To Jesus I Surrender"

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| 1. ALL to Jesus I surrender;
All to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him,
In his presence daily live. | <i>I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.</i> |
| 2. All to Jesus I surrender;
Humbly at his feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me now. | 3. All to Jesus I surrender;
Make me, Saviour, wholly thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that thou art mine. |
| 4. All to Jesus I surrender;
Lord, I give myself to thee;
Fill me with thy love and power;
Let thy blessings fall on me. | |

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER

Hymn # 56 – "Sing We The King Who Is Coming To Reign"

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| 1. Sing we the King who is coming to
reign,
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was
slain;
Life and salvation his empire shall
bring,
Joy to the nations when Jesus is King | <i>Chorus:
Come let us sing: Praise to our
King,
Jesus our King, Jesus our King;
This is our song, who to Jesus
belong:
Glory to Jesus, to Jesus our King.</i> |
| 2. All shall be well in His marvelous
light,
Freedom shall flourish and wisdom
increase
Justice and truth from His scepter
shall spring,
Wrong shall be ended when Jesus is
King | 3. Souls shall be saved from the
burden of sin,
Doubt shall not darken his witness
within
Hell has no terrors, and death has
no sting:
Love is victorious when Jesus is
King |

4. Kingdom of Christ, for your coming we pray,
Hasten, O Father, the dawn of the day
When this new song Your creation shall sing,
Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16: 2-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?' ⁸And Moses said, 'When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.' Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." ' ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." ' In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 105: 1-6; 37-45

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

Cong: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Cong: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered,

Cong: O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

Leader: Then he brought Israel out with silver and gold, and there was no one among their tribes who stumbled.

Cong: Egypt was glad when they departed, for dread of them had fallen upon it.

Leader: He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light by night.

Cong: They asked, and he brought quails, and gave them food from heaven in abundance.

Leader: He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river.

Cong: For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant.

Leader: So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing.

Cong: He gave them the lands of the nations, and they took possession of the wealth of the peoples,

Leader: That they might keep his statutes and observe his laws.
Praise the Lord!

The Epistle: Philippians 1: 21-30

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 20: 1-16

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ
Response: Praise be to Christ Our Lord

Hymn # 54 – "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

MAJESTY, worship his majesty,
Unto Jesus be all glory, honour, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority
flow from his throne unto his own;
His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus,
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship his majesty;
Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all Kings.

MESSAGE: THE PROMISE

Hymn # 207(a) – "Standing On The Promises"

1. STANDING on the promises of
Christ my King,
Thro' eternal ages let his praises ring;
Glory in the highest, I will shout and
sing,
Standing on the promises of God. *Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God
my Saviour;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of
God.*

2. Standing on the promises that
cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt
and fear assail,
By the living word of God I shall
prevail,
Standing on the promises of God. **3. Standing on the promises of
Christ the Lord,
Bound to him eternally by love's
strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's
sword,
Standing on the promises of God.**

4. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Saviour, as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.

NOTICES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TITHES AND OFFERING

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN # 201 – "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"

1. MY hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name. *On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
(rep)*

2. When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil. **3. His oath, his covenant, his blood
supports me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay.**

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne!

BENEDICTION

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK – 20TH – Bro. Eric king, Sis. Marla Treasure, Sis. Karine Cameron ; 21ST – Sis. Myra Lynch, Bro. Sheldon McKen; 22ND – Sis. Yvonne Beckford, Sis. Ivy Holder, Sis. Renee Nesbeth, Sis. Tanya Thurlow; 23RD – Sis. Paulette McKen ; 24TH – Sis. Enid Harrison; 26TH – Bro. Wayne Palmer