

CLASSIC SERVICE

First Evangelical Church

July 9, 2017, 8:45 a.m.

Wondrous Love



WORDS OF INVITATION

Hebrews 2:14-17

SONG OF THE CROSS

(choir)

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious, bleeding side.*

(all, standing)

**I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice,
And it told Thy love to me;
But I long to rise in the arms of faith,
And be closer drawn to Thee.
*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious, bleeding side.***

(please be seated)

WELCOME AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

SONG OF HOPE

(choir)

*He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.*

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold: He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.*

(all, standing)

Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
*He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast.*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast.
Till our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last!
*He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so—He will hold me fast. (repeat refrain)*

WORDS OF PRAISE

Hebrews 10:12-14, 19-22

(all)

Leader: But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until His enemies should be made a footstool for His feet.

People: **For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.**

Leader: Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that He opened for us through the curtain, that is, through His flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

People: **let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands. My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heaven He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart;
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.
For God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Lyn McWhorter, Elder

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One in Himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased with His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

(please be seated)

CHORAL MEDITATION

(choir)

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended, that man to judge Thee hast in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by Thine own rejected, O most afflicted!

O Love divine, what have You done! The immortal God has died for me!
The Father's coeternal Son bore all my sins upon the tree.
This holy One for me has died: the Son of God, this King, is crucified.

Is crucified for me and you to bring the wayward back to God.
O come, believe the record true; for we are bought with Jesus' blood.
Pardon for all flows from His side: the Son of God, this King is crucified.

Behold Him, all that pass Him by, the bleeding Prince of life and peace!
Come, sinners, see your Savior die, and say, "Was ever grief like His?"
Come, feel with me His blood applied: the Son of God, the King, is crucified.

WORDS OF WONDER

(from Valley of Vision)

(all, standing)

Christ was all anguish that I might be all joy,
cast off that I might be brought in,
trodden down as an enemy
that I might be welcomed as a friend,
surrendered to hell's worst
that I might attain heaven's best,
stripped that I might be clothed,
wounded that I might be healed,
athirst that I might drink,
tormented that I might be comforted,
made a shame that I might inherit glory,
entered darkness that I might have eternal light.

SONG OF WONDER

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing—He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.
*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?

What Father so tender is calling us home?

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn;

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us;

Christ's blood was the payment, His life was the cost.

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn;

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Praise the mercy is more. (repeat refrain)

(please be seated)

COMMUNION

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn #473

(all, standing)

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior'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?

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(please be seated)

SERMON

Taylor Park

Distress to Deliverance: Part 1

Psalm 107

BENEDICTION

ON THE PLATFORM THIS MORNING

In an effort to make our leaders better known to the congregation, these leaders are sitting on the platform this morning. Those marked with * will be available following the service to greet you and give you spiritual assistance.

From left to right:

*Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

John Hodges, Worship Leader

*Taylor Park, Executive Pastor

*Lyn McWhorter, Elder

Worship Leaders: The *Worship Choir*; Anne Russell, organ; Jamie Scholik, piano;

Dan Gilbert, violin

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