



LITURGY & SONGS – October 25th, 2020

Call to Worship:

All: God of creation, you were there at the start before the beginning of time. You spoke to the dark and fleshed out the wonder of light. As you speak, galaxies form and humanity is born. The greatness of your power leaves us in awe. The goodness of your presence keeps us longing for more of who you are. If the stars were made to worship so will I. We will sing to our God, the infinite and knowable Creator of all.

<Based on Psalm 33:6-9 and Romans 1:20>

Confession of Sin:

Leader: Jesus, I confess that I take your gospel and use it to advance the personal and political agenda of my choice. Those who stand opposed are quickly categorized and condemned in my mind. My words about those individuals are often as harsh as my thoughts. While at times I acknowledge with my lips that differing viewpoints and a diverse pool of perspectives can be rewarding, in practice I am partial to stick with those who share my ideology and views on public policy. I am reluctant to take a posture of listening. I am quick to weaponize my opinions. Forgive me, God, for I am a catalyst for division.

<Based on Romans 12:3-5 and Philippians 2:3>

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Remember, people of God, you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, living in the passions of your flesh and carrying out the desires of the body and the mind like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, made us alive together with Christ.

All: By grace we have been saved! By Jesus' great sacrifice on the cross and great victory over the grave, we who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. He himself is our peace. He has made us one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility.

<Based on Ephesians 2:1-14>

Benediction:

Leader: Brothers and sisters, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ: let there be no divisions among you. Be united in the same mind and in the same judgment through sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. By this all people will know that we are his disciples, if we have love for one another.

<Based on 1 Corinthians 1:10, 1 Peter 3:8 and John 13:35>

SONGS

Battle Belongs

Praise to the Lord (Joyful, Joyful)

Create In Me A Pure Heart

From the Dead

The Lion and The Lamb