

MORNING WORSHIP

January 10, 2021  
Rev. Ralph A. Pontier

Prelude Organist, Ruth De Vries  
"Bread of Heaven/Holy Manna"

Call to Worship Psalm 48:1,9,10a

Prayer of Invocation

\*Song of Praise TPH#48B "The Lord Is Great and Greatly Praised"

\*God's Greeting

Reading of the Law Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Song of Confession TPH#455 "I Need Thee, Precious Jesus"

Assurance of Pardon I Peter 1:17-21

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation TPH#524 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Scripture Reading: Page 1228 John 6:22-34

Sermon Text John 6:22-34

Sermon: "Searching for Jesus"

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Dedication TPH#494 "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

\*Offering Announcement The offering is for the Christian Education Assistance Fund (C.E.A.F.)

\*Doxology TPH#67B "O God, Show Mercy to Us"

\*Benediction

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

\*Please stand if you are able.

Morning Sermon Outline

*Searching for Jesus*

Scripture Reading: John 6:22-34, Page 1228

Sermon Text: John 6:22-34

- I. The reason the crowd was searching for Jesus.
- II. The motive of the crowd searching for Jesus.
- III. Jesus' rebuke to those searching for him.
- IV. Jesus calls the crowd to faith in him as the bread of life.

## TPH 48B - “The LORD Is Great and Greatly Praised”

1. The LORD is great and greatly praised;  
let all his praises tell  
within the city of our God,  
upon his holy hill.  
Mount Zion, in its height so lovely,  
joy of all the earth;  
the great King’s city far excels  
the mountains of the north.

2. Within her citadels and tow’rs  
God’s presence is revealed,  
for he has shown himself to be  
her fortress and her shield.  
Behold the kings assembled there,  
together they passed by;  
they saw her and were filled with awe,  
in terror took to flight.

3. Like women giving birth in pain  
they trembled in dismay.  
You shattered them like ships of Tarshish  
blown by winds away.  
As we have heard, so we have seen:  
God’s city will endure;  
the LORD of hosts forevermore  
his city keeps secure.

4. We contemplate your steadfast love  
within your house, O God;  
for, like your name, O God, your praise  
extends through earth abroad.  
With justice is your right hand filled;  
Mount Zion’s joy is great.  
Let Judah’s daughters now rejoice,  
your judgments celebrate.

5. Round Zion walk and count her tow’rs;  
view ev’ry citadel,  
so children yet unborn may hear  
her story that you tell:  
that this, our God and LORD, is God,  
forever he abides;  
forever he will be our God  
and our eternal guide.

## TPH 455 - "I Need Thee, Precious Jesus"

1. I need thee, precious Jesus,  
for I am full of sin;  
my soul is dark and guilty,  
my heart is dead within.  
I need the cleansing fountain  
where I can always flee,  
the blood of Christ most precious,  
the sinner's perfect plea.
2. I need thee, precious Jesus,  
for I am very poor;  
a stranger and a pilgrim,  
I have no earthly store.  
I need the love of Jesus  
to cheer me on my way,  
to guide my doubting footsteps,  
to be my strength and stay.
3. I need thee, precious Jesus,  
and hope to see thee soon,  
encircled with the rainbow  
and seated on thy throne.  
There, with thy blood-bought children,  
my joy shall ever be,  
to sing my Jesus' praises,  
to gaze, O Lord, on thee.

## TPH 524 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
hold me with thy pow'rful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
feed me 'til I want no more,  
feed me 'til I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through;  
strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,  
be thou still my strength and shield,  
be thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side;  
songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

## TPH 494 - "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,  
thou fount of life, thou light of men,  
from fullest bliss that earth imparts  
we turn unfilled to thee again,  
we turn unfilled to thee again.
2. Thy truth unchanged has ever stood,  
thou savest those that on thee call;  
to them that seek thee, thou art good,  
to them that find thee, all in all,  
to them that find thee, all in all.
3. We taste thee, O thou living bread,  
and long to feast upon thee still;  
we drink of thee, the fountainhead,  
and thirst our souls from thee to fill,  
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.
4. Our restless spirits yearn for thee,  
where'er our changeful lot is cast,  
glad that thy gracious smile we see,  
blest that our faith can hold thee fast,  
blest that our faith can hold thee fast.
5. O Jesus, ever with us stay,  
make all our moments calm and bright;  
chase the dark night of sin away,  
shed o'er the world thy holy light,  
shed o'er the world thy holy light.

## TPH 67B - "O God, Show Mercy to Us"

1. O God, show mercy to us,  
and bless us with your grace;  
and cause to shine upon us  
the brightness of your face;  
so that the whole world over  
may truly know your way,  
and so that your salvation  
all nations see displayed.  
O God, let peoples praise you;  
let all the peoples praise.  
Let nations come rejoicing  
and songs of gladness raise.
2. For you will judge the peoples  
with perfect equity;  
to nations of the whole earth  
a governor you'll be.  
O God, let peoples praise you;  
let all the peoples praise.  
The earth has brought its bounty  
throughout its harvest days  
since God, our God, will bless us.  
Yes, God will blessing send,  
that all the earth may fear him  
to its remotest end.

EVENING WORSHIP

January 10, 2021  
Rev. Ralph A. Pontier

Prelude Organist, Laura Wielard

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-7b

Prayer of Invocation

\*Song of Praise TPH#95A:1-3 “O Come before the Lord, Our King”

\*God’s Greeting

\*Apostles’ Creed - TPH, inside front cover

\*Gloria Patri TPH#572 “Glory Be to the Father”  
(unannounced)

Psalm Reading: Page 678-679 Psalm 85

Psalm Singing TPH#85 “You Were Pleased to Show Your Favor”  
(Alternate Tune #98C)

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation TPH#119M “O How I Love Your Holy Law”

Scripture Reading: Page 1358 I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Sermon Text: TPH 881 Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 22

Sermon “*The Resurrection of the Body and Life Everlasting*”

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Dedication TPH#512 “Jesus Lives, and So Shall I”

\*Offering Announcement The offering is for Bethany Christian  
Services of Pella

\*Doxology TPH#150A “Hallelujah! Praise the Lord”

\*Benediction

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able.

Evening Sermon Outline

*The Resurrection of the Body and Life Everlasting*

Scripture Reading: I Thessalonians 4:13-18, Page 1358

Sermon Text: Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 22, TPH 881

I. The condition of the soul after death.

II. The resurrection of the body.

III. Eternal life.

TPH 95A - "O Come before the LORD, Our King"  
(Stz. 1-3)

1. O come before the LORD, our King,  
and in his presence let us sing;  
let us in glad and joyful lays  
the rock of our salvation praise;  
before him come with thankful song,  
in joyful psalms his praise prolong.
2. Almighty pow'r the LORD maintains,  
exalted over all he reigns;  
he holds the valleys in his hand,  
he makes the mighty mountains stand;  
to him belong both land and sea,  
Creator of the world is he.
3. O come and let us worship now,  
before our Maker let us bow;  
we are his sheep and he our God,  
he feeds our souls in pastures broad;  
he safely leads us in the way;  
O come and hear his voice today.

TPH 85 - "You Were Pleased to Show Your Favor"

1. You were pleased to show your favor,  
LORD, to your beloved land.  
You returned the wealth of Jacob,  
you restored his captive band.  
You forgave your people's trespass;  
you were pleased their sins to hide.  
You withdrew your great displeasure;  
from your wrath you turned aside.
2. God our Savior, now restore us;  
turn away from us your rage.  
Will your anger burn against us?  
Will it last from age to age?  
Will you not again revive us,  
that we may rejoice in you?  
Show us, LORD, your cov'nant mercy;  
your salvation grant anew.
3. Let me hear what God the LORD says;  
to his saints he speaks of peace,  
but his people must not wander  
and return to foolishness.  
Surely unto those who fear him,  
his salvation is at hand,  
so that once again his glory  
may be seen within our land.
4. Love and truth have met together;  
peace and righteousness embrace.  
Righteousness looks down from heaven;  
from the earth springs faithfulness.  
What is good the LORD will give us,  
and our land its fruit will bear.  
Righteousness will go before him,  
for his steps the way prepare.

## TPH 119M - “O How I Love Your Holy Law”

1. O how I love your holy law, O LORD!  
All day I meditate upon your word;  
It makes me wiser than my enemies,  
for your commands are ever with me, LORD.
2. I have more wisdom than my teachers, LORD,  
for on your laws I meditate each day.  
I have more insight than the aged ones,  
for all your testimonies I obey.
3. I keep my feet from ev'ry evil path,  
for I desire to follow all your word;  
since you have taught me all your wise decrees,  
from them I do not turn aside, O LORD.
4. How sweet your words are, LORD, unto my taste—  
sweeter than honey is upon my tongue.  
Through your commandments I will understand,  
therefore, O LORD, I hate each path that's wrong.

## TPH 512 - “Jesus Lives, and So Shall I”

1. Jesus lives, and so shall I.  
Death! thy sting is gone forever!  
He who deigned for me to die,  
lives, the bands of death to sever.  
He shall raise me from the dust:  
Jesus is my hope and trust.
2. Jesus lives and reigns supreme;  
and, his kingdom still remaining,  
I shall also be with him,  
ever living, ever reigning.  
God has promised; be it must:  
Jesus is my hope and trust.
3. Jesus lives, and by his grace,  
vict'ry o'er my passions giving,  
I will cleanse my heart and ways,  
ever to his glory living.  
Me he raises from the dust:  
Jesus is my hope and trust.
4. Jesus lives! I know full well  
naught from him my heart can sever,  
life nor death nor pow'rs of hell,  
joy nor grief, henceforth forever.  
None of all his saints is lost:  
Jesus is my hope and trust.
5. Jesus lives, and death is now  
but my entrance into glory.  
Courage, then, my soul, for thou  
hast a crown of life before thee;  
thou shalt find thy hopes were just:  
Jesus is the Christian's trust.

## TPH 150A - “Hallelujah! Praise the LORD”

1. Hallelujah! Praise the LORD  
in his house with one accord!  
Praise him in the wide extent  
of his spacious firmament.  
Sing and shout his praise uprightly.  
His unbounded greatness praise  
and extol his wondrous ways;  
praise him for his deeds so mighty.
2. Praise him with the trumpet blast;  
praise his glory unsurpassed.  
Praise him with the harp and lute;  
praise him with the strings and flute.  
Worship him in exultation,  
and with tambourine and dance  
praise his glorious excellence.  
Praise his name with jubilation.
3. Let the clashing cymbals ring  
to the praise of God our King.  
With the clanging cymbals' noise  
come before him and rejoice.  
Let the breath of all things living  
praise him with a mighty sound.  
Let your voices shake the ground.  
Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah!