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# The Lord's Day — January 20, 2019 A.D.

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

**John 4:23-24**

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

### \*Hymn of Praise

### Arise, My Soul, Arise

**Wesley**

Arise, my soul arise, shake off your guilty fears, The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears.  
Before the throne, my Surety stands, Before the throne, my Surety stands, My name is written on His hands.

*Arise, arise, arise, arise my soul, arise! Arise, arise, arise, arise my soul, arise, Shake off your guilty fears and rise!*

He ever lives above for me to intercede, His all redeeming love, His precious blood to plead,  
His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race, And sprinkles now the throne of grace.  
Five bleeding wounds He bears received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me,  
"Forgive him, o forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, o forgive," they cry, "Don't let that ransomed sinner die."

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear, He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear,  
With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father" cry.

### \*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Confession of Sin

**Almighty Father; we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused, that make it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves. Lord have mercy and forgive us through Christ. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

**Isaiah 53:4-5**

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

**\*Song of Forgiveness**

**My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (TH #522)**

**Mote**

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.*

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

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.

**\*New Testament Reading**

**Romans 12:1-2; Hebrews 13:14-16**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

**Prayers of the Church**

**Tithes & Offering**

**Hymn of Preparation**

**How Firm a Foundation (TH #94)**

**Rippon**

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not over flow;  
For I will be with you your troubles to bless, And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design, Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

Even down to old age all my people shall prove, My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to His foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

**\*Hymn of Response**

**O God Beyond All Praising (TH #660)**

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,  
At blessings without number and mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word,  
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,  
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:  
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

**\*Benediction**

**Corporate Response**

**Doxology (TH #731)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Old 100th**