FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

September 26, 2021 at 10 am Continuing Book Series: The Prodigal God

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-7

⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

HYMN #466 - O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!

2 Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3 Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free; Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

4 My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION - THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic means universal

HYMN - WONDERFUL MERCIFUL SAVIOR

1 Wonderful merciful Savior Who would have thought that a Lamb Precious Redeemer and Friend Could rescue the souls of men Oh You rescue the souls of men

Chorus

You are the One that we praise You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for Oh our hearts always hunger for

2 Counselor Comforter Keeper Spirit we long to embrace You offer hope when our hearts Have hopelessly lost the way Oh we hopelessly lost the way

3 Almighty infinite Father Faithfully loving Your own Here in our weakness You find us Falling before Your throne Oh we're falling before Your throne

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THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: "Polar Opposites but Equally Amiss" - Pastor Dave Emery

MATTHEW 15:10-11; 16-19

¹⁰ And he called the people to him and said to them, "Hear and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person."

¹⁶ And he said, "Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled?^[a] ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil

thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

The ceramic jars in the offering plates are designated for the Deacons' fund. Our deacons provide care, support, and financial assistance to those in the congregation in need.

** OFFERTORY MUSIC – INSTRUMENTAL **

HYMN - MY JESUS I LOVE THEE

1 My Jesus I love Thee I know Thou art mine For Thee all the follies of sin I resign My gracious Redeemer my Savior art Thou If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

2 I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

3 I'll love Thee in life I will love Thee in death And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

4 In mansions of glory and endless delight I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so brightI'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

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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.

HYMN - ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

1 Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive To you who boast tomorrow's gain Tell me what is your life A mist that vanishes at dawn All glory be to Christ

Chorus

All glory be to Christ our king All glory be to Christ His rule and reign we'll ever sing All glory be to Christ

2 His will be done His kingdom come On earth as is above Who is Himself our daily bread Praise Him the Lord of love Let living water satisfy The thirsty without price We'll take a cup of kindness yet All glory be to Christ

3 When on the day the great I Am The faithful and the true The Lamb who was for sinners slain Is making all things new Behold our God shall live with us And be our steadfast light And we shall e'er his people be All glory be to Christ

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