

Memory Verse for July 11
Romans 8:1-30

There is therefore now no condemnation.... 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. 18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. 23 And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

The Lord's Day
July 4, 2010
Morning Worship, 8:30 a.m.



The prelude signals the congregation to prepare quietly for worship.
Please disable electronic devices to prevent disruption.
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Prelude

Sonatina in C Major, Allegro and Vivace
Fredreich Kuhlau (1786 –1832)

Welcome & Announcements

***Silent Prayer**

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: give to the people of this country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 145:1-7

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

***Hymn of Praise**

“God, My King, Thy Might Confessing”

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**Congregation standing †Congregation invited to kneel*

†Confession of Sin

We beg you, O God, to forgive those national sins which beset us: our heedlessness of those who come after us, if only we be served; our love of money, our contempt for small things and our worship of big things; our neglect of others; our complacency; and our pride of life. For these wrongs done to our land and our heritage, as for right things left undone, forgive us, O Lord. Almighty God, give us grace to contend always for what is true and right, and to be ready if need be to suffer for it. Give us not over to fearfulness of soul, but lift us into that love which casts out fear, so that we may glorify and enjoy you now and forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:8, 10-14

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

*Hymn of Faith in Christ

“How Deep The Father's Love For Us” (see last page)

Tithes and Offerings

Sonatina in D Major, Allegro con spirito
Muzio Clementi (1752 – 1832)

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Luke 16:1-18

Sermon

“The Dishonest Manager”

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

We invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a member or regular attender of this or some other congregation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and encourage you to reflect on these prayers during the time of the Lord's Supper.

Prayer for those Searching

O God, I am discovering that the more I have, the more I need to have; the more I am loved, the more I need to be loved; the more I achieve, the more I need to achieve. Nothing seems to bring deep satisfaction. “Nothing tastes.” Could it be, as someone once said, that, “Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you”? God, if this is true, please reveal yourself to me, and open my heart to you to find that ultimate rest. Help me to believe your Word and your Son's love for me. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, you suffered on the cross for sinners to bear their sins away. Please, Lord Jesus, friend of sinners, take my sins. Help me to turn from my sins and follow you. Show me the way Lord Jesus, for you are the only one who has come down from Heaven to give all who trust in you eternal life. Amen.

Supper Hymn

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” #421

Reading of Scripture

Matthew 25:31-46

*Closing Hymn

“Thine Be the Glory” #274

Benediction

