

The First Sunday after Pentecost
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Christ Church

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Reformed Teaching † *Re-forming People*

Prelude

Moments of Concern

Recognition of Graduate: Desiree Willey

Call to Worship: Psalm 46:1-11

God *is* our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed,
And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

³*Though* its waters roar *and* be troubled, *Though* the mountains
shake with its swelling. *Selah* ⁴*There is* a river whose streams shall
make glad the city of God, The holy *place* of the tabernacle of the
Most High.

⁵God *is* in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God shall help
her, just at the break of dawn. ⁶The nations raged, the kingdoms
were moved; He uttered His voice, the earth melted. ⁷The LORD of
hosts *is* with us; The God of Jacob *is* our refuge. *Selah* ⁸Come, behold
the works of the LORD, Who has made desolations in the earth. ⁹He
makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and
cuts the spear in two;

He burns the chariot in the fire. ¹⁰Be still, and know that I *am* God;
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

¹¹The LORD of hosts *is* with us; The God of Jacob *is* our refuge. *Selah*

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 23

Q. What good does it do you, however, to believe all this?

A. In Christ I am right with God and heir to life everlasting.

Q. How are you right with God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience
accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's

commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even
though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my
deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me
the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I
had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly
obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept
this gift of God with a believing heart.

Q. Why do you say that by faith alone you are right with God?

A. It is not because of any value my faith has that God is pleased with
me. Only Christ's satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me
right with God. And I can receive this righteousness and make it mine
in no other way than by faith alone.

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, You are our Judge,
Lawgiver and King. We long to see the beauty of our King, and we
praise You for His glorious work to remove our sins. Exalt Yourself by
driving away our enemies and establishing Your kingdom with power
in this world. We pray through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 33:17-24

Your eyes will see the King in His beauty; They will see the land that is
very far off.

¹⁸Your heart will meditate on terror: "Where *is* the scribe?
Where *is* he who weighs? Where *is* he who counts the towers?"

¹⁹You will not see a fierce people, A people of obscure speech,
beyond perception, of a stammering tongue *that you* cannot
understand.

²⁰Look upon Zion, the city of our appointed feasts; Your eyes will
see Jerusalem, a quiet home, a tabernacle *that* will not be taken
down;

not one of its stakes will ever be removed, nor will any of its cords be
broken.

²¹But there the majestic LORD *will be* for us a place of broad
rivers *and* streams, in which no galley with oars will sail, nor majestic
ships pass by

²²(For the LORD *is* our Judge, The LORD *is* our Lawgiver, The LORD *is* our
King; He will save us);

²³Your tackle is loosed, They could not strengthen their mast,

They could not spread the sail. Then the prey of great plunder is divided;

The lame take the prey.

²⁴ And the inhabitant will not say, "I am sick"; The people who dwell in it *will be* forgiven *their* iniquity.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: Isaiah 33:17-24

*Reading of The Law: Exodus 20:1-17

And God spoke all these words, saying:

² "I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

³ "You shall have no other gods before Me.

⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of *anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth; ⁵ you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth *generations* of those who hate Me, ⁶ but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

⁷ "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless who takes His name in vain.

⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day *is* the Sabbath of the LORD your God. *In it* you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who *is* within your gates. ¹¹ For *in* six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that *is* in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.

¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³ "You shall not murder.

¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ "You shall not steal.

¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that *is* your neighbor's."

Call to Confession: 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

Prayer of Confession: Father we are a sinful people. In our pride we try to justify ourselves. In our weakness we stumble in our faith and fail to believe that Jesus alone is our hope of salvation. Our rebellious nature shows in that we fail to live each day clinging to Jesus for grace to carry out our duty and to grow in our love for You and each other. Instead we imagine our religion will accommodate us the way we are so we have not been careful to imitate Jesus. We have lost sight of Your holiness. Have mercy on us and cleanse us. Teach us true dependence on Jesus and forgive us our many sins. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie: (recited, not sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:10-13 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor punished us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear him.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gloria Patri: (recited, not sung)

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.

Holy Communion

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (unison): Our Father, which 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.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**