#### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD

Psalm 98:1-3

#### A HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 292 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

## A PRAYER OF INVOCATION THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 13:1 - 2

They who are effectually called and regenerated, having a new heart and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified really and personally through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection by his Word and Spirit dwelling in them. The dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces to the practice of true holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. This sanctification is throughout in the whole man yet imperfect in this life. There abideth still some remnants of corruption in every part, whence ariseth a continual and irreconcilable war, the flesh lusting against the Spirit and the Spirit against the flesh.

#### A HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 393 - Spirit of God, Dwell Thou within My Heart (Stanzas 1 & 4)

#### THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD

God of our salvation, what could we ever give to you in return for your greatest gift, your own dear Son? He is our peace and salvation, our Redeemer, our substitute. He stooped low to raise us up, was born like us that we might become like him. He united Deity and humanity, the Creator becoming created, so that one day we might shed our sinful flesh and be remade in his likeness. He worked out a perfect righteousness which was given to us so that we can draw near to you. When we cannot rise to him, he draws close and lifts us up to himself. He entered into holy war with Satan, defeating our enemy, winning our battle and purchasing our eternal peace with you. O God, these are tidings of great joy and yet we often live without joy in our salvation. We find great joy in your good gifts without lifting our hearts to worship you, the giver of all good things. We prostitute our hearts daily. Our attention and admiration are easily bought for a moment of pleasure and escape. We are relentless worshipers of ourselves, fearful of talking about you and appearing foolish, committed to our own agendas and brazenly unwilling to go wherever you would send us, captivated by our own little kingdoms instead of gratefully serving in yours. No wonder we are easily shaken when our eyes are always on ourselves and the fragile things in which we put our hope. Enlarge our hearts to celebrate this good news of great joy for we are barely able to grasp the enormity of our salvation. Settle our hope and peace in the love of Christ and make his throne the pleasure ground of our souls. Help us to love those around us, drawing them into your family by caring and speaking of your greatness in wise and loving ways, always ready to share the great news and eager to explain the hope that is in us. Help us to sing of your goodness loudly in our souls and joyfully when we are together with hearts that are undone by your love and kindness to us. In Christ's great name we pray, amen.

#### A SILENT MOMENT FOR CONFESSING PERSONAL SINS

#### GOD'S ASSURANCE THAT WE ARE PARDONED

But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. Ephesians 2:13–18

#### A PSALM OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

Psalm 103E – O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord (Stanza 1)

#### SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON

Revelation 2:12-17

Pew Bible Pg. 1311

#### PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

Followed by the Lord's Prayer ("Debts")

#### **OUR OFFERING and DOXOLOGY TO GOD**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Old Hundredth L.M. (567)* 

#### PREPARING WITH PRAISE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 533 - Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Job 10:2

Pew Bible Pg. 536

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#### RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn 532 - Be Still, My Soul

#### **OUR LORD'S BENEDICTION**

#### HIS CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel. For he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel. And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity. The whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be. - *McKee CM* 

#### We extend a **cordial welcome** to the visitors in our service today.

**Afternoon Study:** Sinful Anger, Part 1 - Pastor La Belle

**The Promises Book Club** will meet on Tuesday, November 17th at 7 pm at the church. We will be reading Chapter 10.

**Prayer Meeting:** Wednesday, November 18th - 6:30pm

**Christian Education:** November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Chris Harris, Chapter 6:16-34, J.C. Ryle's Matthew Study

**Thanksgiving Prayer Service** Wednesday, November 25th at 6:30pm

#### Birthdays this week:

November 20th – Bernie Beveridge

#### **Anniversaries:**

November 17<sup>th</sup> - Jonathan & Tara Furman November 21<sup>st</sup> - David & Gayle Smith

**The missionaries** for this month – James and Esther Folkerts, Uganda

**Bulletin announcements** should be submitted to Elly Mead by 12 noon on Wednesdays. Please e-mail to pcccsecretary@gmail.com.

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"I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Psalm 122.1

### The Lord's Day

November 15th, 2020

Rev. Dr. James A. La Belle, Pastor

LIVE STREAMING @

http://presbyterianchurchofcapecod.com/live-stream/

Christian Education 8:50 am - Morning Worship 10:00 am - Afternoon Study 4:30 pm

We welcome you to the Lord's house, to the worship of the living and true God, and into the fellowship of this congregation. If this is your first visit, please sign the guest book in the foyer.