

Sandhill Presbyterian Church

Sunday Evening Service
March 20, 2011

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

A time of quiet preparation for worship

MEDITATION

"To make it quite practical I have a very simple test. After I have explained the way of Christ to somebody I say "Now, are you ready to say that you are a Christian?" And they hesitate. And then I say, "What's the matter? Why are you hesitating?" And so often people say, "I don't feel like I'm good enough yet. I don't think I'm ready to say I'm a Christian now." And at once I know that I have been wasting my breath. They are still thinking in terms of themselves. They have to do it. It sounds very modest to say, "Well, I don't think I'm good enough," but it's a very denial of the faith. The very essence of the Christian faith is to say that He is good enough and I am in Him. As long as you go on thinking about yourself like that and saying, "I'm not good enough; Oh, I'm not good enough," you deny God – you are denying the gospel – you are denying the very essence of the faith and you will never be happy. You think you're better at times and then again you will find you are not as good at other times than you thought you were. You will be up and down forever. How can I put it plainly? It doesn't matter if you have almost entered into the debts of hell. It does not matter if you are guilty of murder as well as every other vile sin. It does not matter from the standpoint of being justified before God at all. You are no more hopeless than the most moral and respectable person in the world."

~Martyn Lloyd-Jones, Spiritual Depression: It's Causes and Cure

***GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP**

I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD. But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more. Praise the LORD, my soul. Praise the LORD. **Psalm 104:33-35**

***GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

PASTORAL PRAYER

UNISON READING

Romans 3:19-24

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin. But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

***GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

Galatians 2:11-16

"Gospel Bravery"

Senior Pastor, Kevin Skogen

THE LORD'S SUPPER

This is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. The Lord's Supper is an occasion for all baptized Christians to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by him, and celebrate him. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, are a member of a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully, are invited to partake. If you are not a Christian, or if you choose not to share in this meal, we invite you to spend this time in prayer.

A Word to Parents: To receive communion, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong.

***HYMN OF DISTRIBUTION**

Here, O My Lord, I See thee Face to Face

***GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

***BENEDICTION**

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**Those who are able, please stand.*

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