

A close-up photograph of a birch tree trunk. The bark is white with characteristic lenticels and a prominent knot hole at the top. A heart-shaped carving is etched into the bark, containing the text "ETCHED ON THEIR HEART" in a hand-drawn, blocky font. The background is a soft-focus scene of autumn foliage in shades of yellow and green.

ETCHED
ON THEIR
HEART

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

David Gal-Chis

Silent Meditation John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

G O D C A L L S U S T O W O R S H I P



Call to worship John 1:1-5, 14

Elder Shinji Yasugi

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.



*** All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above**

Trinity Hymnal 4



*** Invocation**

Scripture memory verses

Today we're reviewing all the verses that have been part of our Etched on Their Heart series so far and we need fourteen readers! Readers have not been assigned, so please line up at the microphones to read a verse.

- Reader 1 2 Corinthians 4:6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- Reader 2 Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.
- Reader 3 Job 3:23-24 Why is light given to a man whose way is hidden, whom God has hedged in? For my sighing comes instead of my bread, and my groanings are poured out like water.
- Reader 4 Psalm 29:11 May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!
- Reader 5 John 13:34-5 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."
- Reader 6 Hebrews 4:16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
- Reader 7 Titus 3:4-5 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit...
- Reader 8 Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
- Reader 9 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.
- Reader 10 Isaiah 50:4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

- Reader 11 Matthew 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.
- Reader 12 Ephesians 5:1-2 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
- Reader 13 Exodus 3:15 God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.”
- Reader 14 Matthew 13:13, 16 This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.... But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear.

GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Call to confession Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Prayer of confession

Declaration of forgiveness Acts 4:8-12

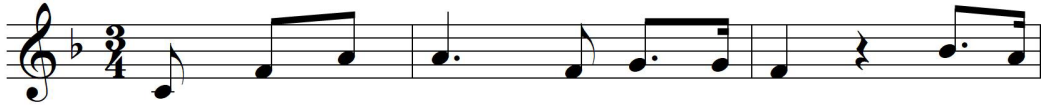
Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Today is the fifth Sunday of the month, which means it's a Family Sunday for our Christ Kids Worship children! They will stay with their families through the entire service and are welcome to use church bags, which are available in the foyer.

 * Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin
and Matthew Merker, Matt Papa

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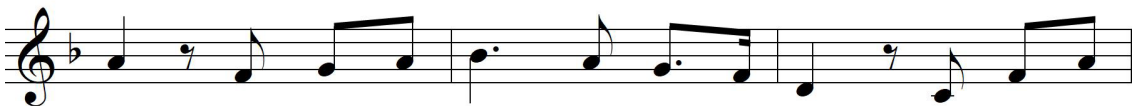
1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-
2. What truth can calm the trou - bled soul? God is
3. Un - to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, he



lone, Christ a-lone. What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our
good, God is good. Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our
lives; Christ, he lives!" And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er -



souls to him be - long. Who hold our days with - in his
great Re-deem - er's blood. Who holds our faith when fears a -
last - ing life with Him. There we will rise to meet the



hand? What comes, a - part from his com - mand? And what will
rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y trial? Who sends the
Lord; then sin and death will be de - stroyed, and we will



keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.____
waves that bring us nigh un - to the shore, the rock of Christ?
feast in end - less joy, when Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.____



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— O sing hal - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O sing ha - le -
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lu - jah! Now and ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US



* Scripture reading

John 17:1-19

^{17:1} When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶ “I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.

¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!



* Prayer



Sermon Being Sent

Rev. Dan Denk
Teaching Elder in the Great Lakes Presbytery

Jesus was a “sent one”

The High Priestly Prayer

I have accomplished the work you gave me to do (4)

What has Jesus accomplished?

What does Jesus ask the Father on their behalf? (15-17)

If Jesus was inexplicable without his mission, should not we be inexplicable without ours?

Further discussion/questions? ddenkmeister@gmail.com
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DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

* **Scripture memory verse** John 17:3 *read or spoken by memory together*

And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

 * **Glorify Thy Name**

Donna Adkins


C Dm/C C G C



1. Fa - ther,
2. Je - sus, we love you, we wor - ship and a - dore you,
3. Spi - rit,

Detailed description: This system of musical notation is for the first part of the song. It consists of a treble and a bass clef staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords. Above the treble staff, the chords are labeled: C, Dm/C, C, G, and C. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses: '1. Fa - ther,', '2. Je - sus, we love you, we wor - ship and a - dore you,', and '3. Spi - rit,'.


C/E F Gsus G7



glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

Detailed description: This system of musical notation is for the second part of the song. It consists of a treble and a bass clef staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The melody continues from the first system. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords. Above the treble staff, the chords are labeled: C/E, F, Gsus, and G7. The lyrics are written below the treble staff: 'glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.'

C F E Am



Glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - fi - fy thy name,

Detailed description: This system of musical notation is for the third part of the song. It consists of a treble and a bass clef staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The melody continues from the previous systems. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords. Above the treble staff, the chords are labeled: C, F, E, and Am. The lyrics are written below the treble staff: 'Glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - fi - fy thy name,'.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The treble staff has a melody line with notes and rests, and a chord progression indicated by letters above the staff: F, Dm, G7, C, Dm7/F, and C. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords. The lyrics 'glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.' are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style.

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Offertory *How Shall They Hear the Word of God?* piano

text, Michael Perry
music, Auch Jetzt Macht Gott

How shall they hear the word of God
unless his truth is told?
How shall the sinful be set free,
the sorrowful consoled?
To all who speak the truth today,
impart your Spirit, Lord, we pray.

How shall they call to God for help
unless they have believed?
How shall the poor be given hope,
the prisoner reprieved?
To those who help the blind to see,
give light and love and clarity.

How shall the gospel be proclaimed
that sinners may repent?
How shall the world find peace at last
if heralds are not sent?
So send us, Lord, for we rejoice
to speak of Christ with life and voice.



* ***Doxology Trinity***

Hymnal 731

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures, here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



* **Benediction** Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward
and play rhythm instruments as we sing our closing Amen song.



* ***And All the People Said Amen!***

And all the people said “Amen!”
Oh, and all the people said “Amen.”
Give thanks to the Lord for his love never ends.
And all the people said “Amen!”

Preaching next week
Memory verse for the week

Andrew VanderMaas
Psalm 116:7