

Order of Worship for 7/2/23

10:00am CST

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The beautiful flowers today are from Jon Lyman in memory of Arthur J. Lyman who came into this world on July 12th and exited this world on the same day, July 12th, 85 years later. What a planner! Art was the most admirable man in so many ways – not only was he the BEST father, but he was also greatly involved in the growth of this “Calvin Church” family. You are so truly missed Dad!

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you that are weary and I will give you rest.”

People: **All of us know what it is like to be weary. All of us carry heavy burdens.**

Leader: Let us accept Christ’s invitation.

People: **We long to rest in God.**

OPENING PRAYER (all)

**Almighty God, we thank you
For planting in us the seed of your Word.
By your holy spirit,
Help us to receive it with joy,
And live according to it,
That we may grow in faith and hope and love;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with you
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever. Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN #276**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever will be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

****PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)***

**Faithful One,
Despite our best efforts,
we have not lived up to what we can do
or who we can be.
Even when our intentions are good,
our actions cause harm.
Even when we want to follow you more closely,
we end up turning away.
We are at war with ourselves,
and only you can bring peace.
Still our souls, order our steps,
guide our feet back to your way. Amen**

****ASSURANCE OF PARDON***

****HYMN #2026***

Halle Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 1:15-28 (p.199)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 10:38-42 (p.71)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Choosing the Better (Listening) Part

Rev. Scott Cartwright

****HYMN OF RESPONSE #359***

More Love to Thee, O Christ

1 More love to Thee, O Christ,
More love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee.
This is my earnest plea:
More love, O Christ, to Thee;

More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

2 Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek,
Give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

3 Then shall my latest breath
Whisper Thy praise;
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
This still its prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY CALL & OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

****DOXOLOGY #592*** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

****CLOSING HYMN #391***

Take My Life

1 Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.

4 Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose,
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will, and make it Thine;
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own;
It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

****BENEDICTION***

POSTLUDE

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