



"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'"

Lamentations 3: 22-24



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ORDER OF SERVICE
MAY 7, 2023

PRAISE AND WORSHIP- 10:45

CALL TO SERVICE- 11:00AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS/RIBBONS/PRAYER

MESSAGE

COMMUNION/BENEDICTION/RECESSIONAL

**THE WORSHIP GIVER:
"YOU CAN'T BEAT GOD GIVING"**

"Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions." Malachi 3:8

"Offertory Prayer"

Heavenly Father, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the effective growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. May we be filled with all the fullness of God.
In Jesus' Name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 11: 23-26

23 FOR I RECEIVED FROM THE LORD WHAT I ALSO PASSED ON TO YOU: THE LORD JESUS, ON THE NIGHT HE WAS BETRAYED, TOOK BREAD,

24 AND WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE BROKE IT AND SAID, "THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS FOR YOU; DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

25 IN THE SAME WAY, AFTER SUPPER HE TOOK THE CUP, SAYING, "THIS CUP IS THE NEW COVENANT IN MY BLOOD; DO THIS, WHENEVER YOU DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

26 FOR WHENEVER YOU EAT THIS BREAD AND DRINK THIS CUP, YOU PROCLAIM THE LORD'S DEATH UNTIL HE COMES.

The Roman Road

Lest someone protest that they are a good person, especially when compared to people they know or observe in the news or in their workplace (*or wherever*), Paul points out that the standard isn't your neighbor, but rather God Himself. It isn't enough that you compare yourself to another human being and think "*Well, I'm not as bad as him.*" The standard is God's holiness. And all of us fall short of that standard. ***"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" Romans 3:23.***

THE TEMPTATION TO PLACE SOMETHING ELSE BEFORE GOD

We often equate idolatry with worshiping images made of wood or metal, but idolatry happens whenever we place anything ahead of God. We can even make good things idols, because when we take something good and place it ahead of God, that is desiring something more than God- and that is the definition of idolatry. Satan is still very much in the business of idolatry today. His goal is to get us to worship anything- anything- other than God. He wants us to bow down to these things because he stands behind them. When we bow down to them, we bow down to the devil.

When we live as God calls us to live, we experience our greatest joy. Satisfaction never comes from pursuing other things we think might satisfy us. They won't satisfy. We can say no to the temptation to bow before the things Satan and the world throws at us as we remember this singular truth: A life spent in worship and exaltation of the One who loves us deeply will always lead to satisfaction.

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"Let my whole being bless the Lord and never forget all his good deeds: how God forgives all your sins, heals all your sickness." Psalm 103: 2-3

PRAYER LIST

Our Pastor, Rev. Dr. H. Lee Turner for strength, protection, and direction

CBC staff, ministers, auxiliaries, ministries, teachers and church family

The Cruz McFadden family for salvation, strength and encouragement

The Dedrick and Edwards families for uplifting and comfort

Bro PJ Bastiany III for strength and guidance

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Bro Charles Love for uplifting and encouragement

Willie and Velma Green for blessing and direction

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