BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

April 2, 2023 at 8:30 & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

David Schmidt

Piano

Wendy Baldwin

Announcements and Prayer

Hymn 299 In the Name of the Lord

Hymn 300 All Glory, Laud and Honor, Hymn 301 We Will Glorify

Scripture Reading – Psalm 106:1-23 (opposite page)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin VanderMey

Hymn 690 He Leadeth Me

Meditation How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Dean & Tracie Arnold

Message

THE TOWER OF BABEL

Genesis 11:1-9 John Hoegg

Hymn 633 Open Our Eyes, Lord

Benediction

Postlude

We welcome John Hoegg to our pulpit this morning.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Tuesday Precept on Zoom – Hebrews part 3 wlabaldwin@gmail.com Wednesday 10 AM - Men's Bible Fellowship No Wednesday 6:30 PM – Prayer and Bible Study Thursday 6:30-7:45 PM Choir practice Good Friday Service 6:30 PM

WESTMINSTER CATECHISM

Q. 48. What are we specially taught by these words, "before Me," in the first commandment?

A. These words, *before Me*, in the first commandment teach us, that God, who seeth all things, taketh notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other God. Deut. 30:17-18; Ps. 44:20-21; Ezek. 8:12

Joy in Forgiveness of Israel's Sins

Psalm 106 Praise the LORD!

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

²Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD?

Who can declare all His praise?

³ Blessed *are* those who keep justice,

And he who does righteousness at all times!

⁴Remember me, O LORD, with the favor *You have toward* Your people. Oh, visit me with Your salvation,

⁵ That I may see the benefit of Your chosen ones,

That I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation,

That I may glory with Your inheritance.

⁶ We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, We have done wickedly.

⁷Our fathers in Egypt did not understand Your wonders;

They did not remember the multitude of Your mercies,

But rebelled by the sea—the Red Sea

⁸ Nevertheless He saved them for His name's sake,

That He might make His mighty power known.

⁹He rebuked the Red Sea also, and it dried up;

So He led them through the depths, as through the wilderness.

¹⁰ He saved them from the hand of him who hated *them*,

And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy. $\,$

¹¹ The waters covered their enemies; There was not one of them left.

¹² Then they believed His words; They sang His praise.

¹³ They soon forgot His works; They did not wait for His counsel,

¹⁴But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tested God in the desert.

¹⁵ And He gave them their request, but sent leanness into their soul.

¹⁶ When they envied Moses in the camp, and Aaron the saint of the LORD,

¹⁷ The earth opened up and swallowed Dathan,

And covered the faction of Abiram.

 $^{18}\!$ Fire blazed among their followers; a flame consumed the wicked.

¹⁹ At Horeb they made a calf and worshiped an idol cast from metal.

²⁰ They exchanged their glorious God for an image of a bull, which eats grass.

²¹ They forgot the God who saved them, who had done great things in Egypt,

²² Miracles in the land of Ham and awesome deeds by the Red Sea.

²³ So he said he would destroy them—had not Moses, his chosen one, stood in the breach before him to keep his wrath from destroying them.

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Cry out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

Looking Ahead

Easter Sunrise service 7:30 AM
Easter Breakfast 8:15-9:30 am (Pizza Amoré)
Easter Main Service 9:30 AM (with choir singing)

MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.