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OUR WORSHIP

Glory

SERVICE THEME Everybody in this room, in fact, in this whole world glories in something. Something becomes the most important and significant thing in our life because we feel it gives us importance and significance. When you figure out what your glory is, you will know what you are living for.

+ Preparing Ourselves to Hear God's Word +

IRESPONSIVE PSALM READING Psalm 19:1-4

Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God;

People: the skies proclaim the work of His hands.

Pastor: Day after day they pour forth speech;

People: night after night they reveal knowledge.

Pastor: They have no speech, they use no words;

People: no sound is heard from them.

Pastor: Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,

People: their words to the ends of the world.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, who created the heavens and who recreated us through Baptism into their Name, one God, now and forever. Amen!

SONG OF REJOICING *LSB 801, vv. 1 & 2* "How Great Thou Art"

**O LORD my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

Refrain

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great thou art! How great Thou art!***

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;
Refrain**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION LSB 801, vv. 3 & 4 “How Great Thou Art”

Pastor: Frequently, we glory in the things we find in this life, things like family or friends or fame or fortune. Or, we may glory in the things that give us what we seek, namely, status or significance. But, all these are the consequence of our accomplishing and acquiring. We are attempting to secure significance for ourselves; we are trying to establish our own glory.

People: We are sorry. Father, forgive us for Jesus’ sake, and send Your Holy Spirit to renew us in the glory of the cross.

Pastor: Our heavenly Father did not spare His own beloved Son, but sent Him to the cross to bleed and die for us. In Him we are forever forgiven, eternally accepted, and unconditionally loved. Let us rejoice in His love, that is, in His glory.

**But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in –
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin;
Refrain**

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great thou art! How great Thou art!***

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!”
Refrain**

+ Hearing God's Word for Us +

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 52:13-15

¹³ See, My Servant will act wisely; He will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. ¹⁴ Just as there were many who were appalled at Him – His appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and His form marred beyond human likeness – ¹⁵ so He will sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of Him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand.

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 10:31-33

³¹ So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. ³² Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God – ³³ even as I try to please everyone in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved.

Pastor: These Readings are from God's holy Word.

People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING John 12:20-23, 27-33

Pastor: The Gospel Reading is from the Gospel of John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O LORD.

²⁰ Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." ²² Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

²³ Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." ²⁷ "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." ²⁹ The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to Him.

³⁰ Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not Mine. ³¹ Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself." ³³ He said this to show the kind of death He was going to die.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Iodine"

MESSAGE HYMN LSB 427 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

**In the cross of Christ I glory, Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story Gathers round its head sublime.**

**When the woes of life o'ertake me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.**

**When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more luster to the day.**

**Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.**

MESSAGE "Glory"

Introduction

Life is ultimately about *glory*, import, impact.

Jesus' cross exhibits ultimate *glory*, in a negative way and in positive way.

Negative: The cross condemns what the world glories in.

The world seeks glory in fame, fortune, family, and faithfulness.

The world's glory seekers are shamed by the *glory* of the cross.

Positive: The cross has attractive power.

Love, ultimately, is the *glory* of the cross; it attracts you, draws you.

When the Person who truly matters thinks you matter, that matters.

A Final but Crucial Thought

Do everything for the *glory* of God, the *glory* of the cross.

If the cross is my glory, what am I living for?

+ Our Response to God's Word +

OFFERING LSB 948, vv. 1, 2-5 "All Glory Be to God Alone"

**All glory be to God alone, Forevermore the highest One,
Who did our sinful race befriend And grace and peace in us extend.
Among us may His gracious will All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.**

**Lord God, our King on heaven's throne, Our Father, the Almighty One.
O Lord, the sole-begotten One, Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son.
True God from all eternity. O Lamb of God, to You we flee.**

**You take the whole world's sin away; Have mercy on us, we pray.
You take the whole world's sin away; O Lord, receive our prayer this day.
From God's right hand Your mercy send.
To all the world Your grace extend.**

**You only are the Holy One And over all are Lord alone.
O Jesus Christ, we glorify You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;
With Him You every more shall be One in the Father's majesty.**

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily
bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the
kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen!**

+ The Lord's Supper – the Visible Word +

PREFACE

**Pastor: The Lord's Supper was instituted that by remembrance of the promises of
Christ, of which we are admonished in this sign, faith might be
strengthened in us, and we might publicly confess our faith, and proclaim
the benefits of Christ, as Paul says, 1 Corinthians 11:26: "As often as you
eat this bread and drink this cup, you do proclaim the Lord's death until
He comes." [*Augsburg Confession*]**

JESUS' WORDS

THE LAMB OF GOD *LSB 947, vv. 1 & 3* "All Glory Be to God on High"

**All glory be to God on high And thanks for all His favor;
No harm can touch or terrify A child of God forever.
God shows His good and gracious will And grants His peace, the world to fill –
All strife at last has ended.**

**O Jesus Christ, the only Son Begotten of the Father,
Your saving death has made us one With God and with each other.
O Lamb of God, to You on high In our distress we sinners cry,
Have mercy on us, amen!**

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COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Father, in this Supper, we remember that Jesus gave Himself that we might receive eternal worth and significance. May we, having experienced such amazing love, love others in amazing ways. We ask in Jesus' precious name.

People: AMEN!

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord is blessing us and keeping us;
The Lord is making His face to shine on us and He is being gracious to us;
The Lord is smiling the biggest smile when He thinks of you,
and He is giving you peace.

People: AMEN!

SENDING SONG *The Other Song Book 241* "To God Be the Glory"

**To God be the glory, great things He hath done.
So loved He the world that He gave His Son.
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

Refrain

***Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let earth His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, thro' Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.***

**O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

Refrain

**Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing thro' Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.**

Refrain