

Santa Margarita Community Church Order of Worship October 10, 2021

Instructions:

On this Lord's Day, feel the loss of not gathering. At the same time, feel the comfort of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. Feel the weight of what you are doing when you speak the Call to Worship and when you pray for your household. This is not normal and will not become our normal. This is a wartime effort, and these are wartime measures.

Fathers or head of household: please lead the service. The Apostle Peter charges you to speak as if you are speaking the very words of God (1 Peter 4:11). Assign someone to read the Scripture, another to read the prayer. Sing on your own, or sing along with the links provided.

Preparation The Call to Worship

Lead: This hour is not like every other hour. In this hour, we gather as the people of God, according to the command of God, in order to worship God.

What happens a Christian sins? What actually happens when a person whose sins of yesterday have been forgiven by God because of the price Jesus paid on the cross adds another one to the list today?

In a very real since, nothing happens at all. You were not made right with God by being sinless and you do not remain right with God by being sinless. Amen to that. We are confident and comfortable in relationship to God because we have not only been forgiven of our own guilt but we have been made positively righteous with Jesus' righteousness. None of that changes because none of that is dependently on me or on you.

And yet our sin really does separate us from God, our sin really does break fellowship with God, and that should matter to us.

We know exactly what that feels like, it feels like not wanting to look someone in the face because we know that we should not have raised our voice or bent the truth or failed to keep our promise. Leviticus four teaches that the holy and pure God came into the camp with the Israelites and so the sinners all had to go outside the camp. Here is how we can come back in with full fellowship restored. Confess your sins.

Come near to God, confess your sins and celebrate the full assurance of pardon. Our call to worship comes from Psalm 32.

Psalm 32:5

5 I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I did not hide; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; And You forgave the guilt of my sin.

Prayer

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen and Amen!

Adoration



WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 MUSIC: John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813

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Scripture Reading

Reader: The God who called you is holy, so you must also be holy. That which is unholy cannot enter into God's presence. If God is to call us into fellowship with himself, we must be made clean. We must then obey God's command to Moses, Aaron, and the people of Israel in Leviticus: "You shall be holy, for I am holy." How do we, an unclean people, come before a holy God? By a lamb without blemish or spot. We have been ransomed from the futile ways of our forefathers by the precious blood of Christ. Hear the word of the holy God who calls us to be holy and set our hope fully on the grace that will be brought to us at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 1:3-27

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

4 to *obtain* an inheritance *which is* imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

6 In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials,

7 so that the proof of your faith, *being* more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

8 and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

9 obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

10 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that *would come* to you made careful searches and inquiries,

11 seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.

12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look.

13 Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober *in spirit*, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance,

15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior;

16 because it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

17 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay *on earth;*

18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,

19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, *the blood* of Christ. 20 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you

21 who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

22 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart,

23 for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, *that is,* through the living and enduring word of God.

24 For,

"All flesh is like grass,

And all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,

And the flower falls off,

25 But the word of the Lord endures forever."

And this is the word which was preached to you.

It was Finished on the Cross

Once we all stood as captive slaves The bonds of sin and death our chains But He with blood our freedom bought It was finished on the cross It was finished on the cross

The weight of sin the sting of death Were swallowed up by righteousness And vanquished by the Son of God It was finished on the cross Yes it was finished on the cross

Now we rejoice in victory We lift our eyes to Calvary Before the battle has begun By Jesus' blood it has been won (Yes) It was finished on the cross (Yes it was finished on the cross)

And while our hearts have turned from sin This flesh is waging war within Though sin remains our guilt is gone It was finished on the cross It was finished on the cross

His gift of grace our heart betrays With urge to merit or repay We need not live to pay the cost It was finished on the cross Yes it was finished on the cross

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Video

Exhortation: Pastor Robert Campbell

Watch: <u>FaceBook Video</u> Or <u>SMCC Website</u>

Sunday, October 10, 11:00 a.m.

Leviticus: Gaining Ground

Leviticus 4:1-5:13 "When our Sin Sends us Away"

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Come Sinners

Come Confess

Dedication The Benediction

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen and amen. 1 Thess. 5:23

Announcements

Sunday school

Sunday school classes begin on September 12 at 9 am. Children, 5th grade and under, will meet on the patio beginning the book Genesis using *Generations of Grace*. Ask about the family devotional that goes with it. 6th grade through adult will meet inside studying theology in a simple and understandable form using the *1689 Confession of Faith*.

The Table

Table Groups begin Wednesday Sept. 15 and Thursday Sept. 16, meeting in varying locations around North County. Join in for fellowship, prayer, singing and discussion on the book of Leviticus.

Bible Study

Men's and Women's Bible Study begin Tuesday Sept. 14 and Thursday Sept. 16. We use an inductive, manuscript form of Bible study that not only teaches you the book of Leviticus but also trains you in being a better observer and question asker as you study the Bible for yourself. Women's groups are Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm and Thursday morning at 9:30 am. Men's group is Thursday at 6:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Parenting in the Pews

Pastor Robert and Julie sit down the Frank and Michelle Whipple to talk about how singing happens around their dinner table.

Keep in touch: In order to keep in touch, please ensure that you are participating in our current means of communication.

- 1. Ensure that you can login to <u>mysmcc</u>. This is our church database where you can get phone numbers to call others in the church. And please call people. Who? Whoever you think of. What do you say? Say, I miss you, I've been thinking of you, I can't wait until we can worship together again.
- 2. Do you receive the all church email? Please reach out so you can be included.
- 3. Follow SMCC on \underline{FB} and \underline{IG} as a means of encouragement and comment.