

September 20th, 2020

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 86:6-13

Read Responsively

⁶ Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
listen to my plea for grace.

⁷ In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.

⁸ **There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.**

⁹ **All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

¹⁰ For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.

¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

¹² **I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.**

¹³ **For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.**

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RISING SUN

Leslie Jordan, Kyle Lee, & David Leonard

Praise Him all you sinners, sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God
We lift high His glory, shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

*Our great Redeemer, glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising Sun
Light of the morning, You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising Sun
Your name is higher than the rising Sun*

Praise His name forever, speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

Hallelujah name above all
simply to speak Your name is praise
Hallelujah, now and always,
forever we lift Your name in praise
Hallelujah, Our God You reign,
simply to speak Your name is praise

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Questions 26-28

Read Responsively

*Question 26. What believest thou when thou sayest, "I believe
in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth"?*

**Answer: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
(who of nothing made heaven and earth, with all that
is in them; who likewise upholds and governs the same
by his eternal counsel and providence) is for the sake of
Christ his Son, my God and my Father; on whom I rely
so entirely, that I have no doubt, but he will provide me
with all things necessary for soul and body and further,
that he will make whatever evils he sends upon me, in
this valley of tears turn out to my advantage; for he is
able to do it, being Almighty God, and willing, being a
faithful Father.**

Question 27. What dost thou mean by the providence of God?

**Answer: The almighty and everywhere present power
of God; whereby, as it were by his hand, he upholds and
governs heaven, earth, and all creatures; so that herbs
and grass, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years,
meat and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty,
yea, and all things come, not by chance, but be his
fatherly hand.**

*Question 28. What advantage is it to us to know that God has
created, and by his providence does still uphold all things?*

**Answer: That we may be patient in adversity; thankful in
prosperity; and that in all things, which may hereafter
befall us, we place our firm trust in our faithful God**

**and Father, that nothing shall separate us from his love;
since all creatures are so in his hand, that without his
will they cannot so much as move.**

NO OTHER NAME

Joel Houston & Jonas Myrin

One name holds weight above them all
His fame out lasts the earth He formed
His praise resounds beyond the stars
And echoes in our hearts
The greatest One of all

His face shines brighter than the sun
His grace as boundless as His love
He reigns with healing in His wings,
the King above all Kings
The greatest One of all

*Lift up our eyes, see the King has come
Light of the world reaching down to us
There is no other name, there is no other name
Jesus Christ our God, oh
Seated on high, the undefeated One
Mountains bow down as we lift Him up
There is no other name, there is no other name
Jesus Christ our God, oh*

Find hope when all the world seems lost
Behold the triumph of the cross
His power has trampled death and grave
Our life found in His name
The greatest name of all

The earth will shake and tremble before Him
Chains will break as heaven and earth sing
Holy is the name, Holy is the name of Jesus

There is no other name, there is no other name
Jesus



MESSAGE

"Elijah's Challenge" by Joel Brooks

1 Kings 18:17-40

¹⁷When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" ¹⁸And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the Lord and followed the Baals. ¹⁹Now therefore send and gather all Israel to me at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."

²⁰So Ahab sent to all the people of Israel and gathered the prophets together at Mount Carmel. ²¹And Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." And the people did not answer him a word. ²²Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the Lord, but Baal's prophets are 450 men. ²³Let two bulls be given to us, and let them choose one bull for themselves and cut it in pieces and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. And I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood and put no fire to it. ²⁴And you call upon the name of your god, and I will call upon the name of the Lord, and the God who answers by fire, he is God." And all the people answered, "It is well spoken." ²⁵Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many, and call upon the name of your god, but put no fire to it." ²⁶And they took the bull that was given them, and they prepared it and called upon the name of Baal from morning until noon, saying, "O Baal, answer us!" But there was no voice, and no one answered. And they limped around the altar that they had made. ²⁷And at noon Elijah mocked them, saying, "Cry aloud, for he is a god. Either he is musing, or he is relieving himself, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened." ²⁸And they cried aloud and cut themselves after their custom with swords and lances, until the blood gushed out upon them. ²⁹And as midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the

oblation, but there was no voice. No one answered; no one paid attention.

³⁰Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." And all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that had been thrown down. ³¹Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord came, saying, "Israel shall be your name," ³²and with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord. And he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two seahs of seed. ³³And he put the wood in order and cut the bull in pieces and laid it on the wood. And he said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." ³⁴And he said, "Do it a second time." And they did it a second time. And he said, "Do it a third time." And they did it a third time. ³⁵And the water ran around the altar and filled the trench also with water.

³⁶And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. ³⁷Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." ³⁸Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. ³⁹And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, he is God; the Lord, he is God." ⁴⁰And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape." And they seized them. And Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon and slaughtered them there.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME

Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You, our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is, What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is, Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus*

From the highest heights of heaven
To the earth, Your love came down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now?

Death could not hold you, The veil tore before you
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory,
Yours is the Name above all Names

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BENEDICTION