

What Is the Gospel?

Sunday, July 7, 2019

For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? – Hebrews 2:2-3

Prelude	“Be Thou My Vision”
Welcome	Ken Hunt
Call to Worship and Pastoral Prayer	Kevin Morris
Hymn 343 “Amazing Grace”	

THE PROMISE OF A NEW COVENANT

Matthew 26, John 19

Responsive Reading

Communion	“The Communion Hymn”
Offertory	“The Power of the Cross”

BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROMISE

Hebrews 9-10

Benevolence Offering	“In Christ Alone”
Hymn 308 “There Is a Redeemer”	

LIVING WITH CONFIDENCE AND PURPOSE

Hebrews 10:19-25

Benediction	
Postlude	“The Communion Hymn,” vs. 4
Fellowship	

Promised Eternal Inheritance

A Responsive Reading

Quoting Ephesians 1:3-14, 1 Peter 1:18-19,
Matthew 20:28, Hebrews 9:15-17 (ESV and CJB)

LEADER: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in heaven.

ALL: In Christ He chose us in love before the creation of the universe to be holy and without defect in His presence.

LEADER: He determined in advance that through Jesus Christ we would be His sons, in keeping with His pleasure and purpose,

ALL: so that we would bring Him praise appropriate to the glory of the grace He gave us through the Beloved One.

LEADER: In union with Him, through the shedding of His blood, we are set free – our sins are forgiven;

ALL: this accords with the wealth of the grace He has lavished on us.

LEADER: Also in union with Him we were given an inheritance,

ALL: we who were picked in advance according to the purpose of the One who works all things according to the counsel of His will.

LEADER: In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth – the gospel of your salvation – and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

ALL: who guarantees our inheritance until we come into possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

LEADER: You should be aware that the ransom paid to free you from the worthless way of life which your fathers passed on to you did not consist of anything perishable like silver or gold;

ALL: on the contrary, it was the costly, bloody, sacrificial death of Christ, as of a lamb without defect or spot.

LEADER: As Jesus said: “For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

ALL: It is because of this death that He is mediator of a new will.

LEADER: Because a death has occurred which sets people free from the transgressions committed under the first will, those who have been called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

ALL: For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive.



- continued, over