Morning Worship Service:

Philippians 1:18-21

Christ Is Our All

1. Rejoice When Christ Is Honored by His Proclamation (18

2. Rejoice When Christ Is Honored in Our Body (19-20)!

3. Rejoice! Because Christ Is Our Greates Joy (21)!

CONCLUSION: We have in Christ all that we will ever need. We have gained in Him the whole world together. Paul encourages the Philippians to rejoice as he does whether he is maligned or highly esteemed so long as Christ is proclaimed. Likewise, regardless of impending death or continued life, he will rejoice in the privilege of honoring Christ with his body. To share in the sufferings of Christ is not a cause for shame but for rejoicing in our great gain.

But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me. (Ps 13:5-6)

First Corinthians 9:19-23

¹⁹ For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, *that I might win* more of them. ²⁰ To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order *to win* Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might *win* those under the law. ²¹ To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might *win* those outside the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, that I might *win* the weak. I have become all things to all people, *that by all means I might save some*. ²³ I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may *share with them* in its blessings.

Romans 1:16

¹⁶ For *I am not ashamed* of the gospel, for it is the *power* of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

Isaiah 49:22-23

Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, and raise my signal to the peoples; and they shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders.

Kings shall be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers.

With their faces to the ground they shall bow down to you, and lick the dust of your feet.

Then you will know that I am the Lord; those who wait for me shall not be put to shame."

Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.² Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Second Timothy 1:8-14

⁸ Therefore *do not be ashamed* of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but *share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God*, ⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But *I am not ashamed*, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that *he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me*. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.