

# St John Church of Christ

January 26, 2020

## Order of Worship

*Worship Leader:* Jerry

*Gathering Song:* No. 239 In Moments Like These

*Welcome:* Tom

*Scripture Reading:* Richard  
Romans 8:35-39

### Songs

No. 690 Consecration Medley

No. 671 Purer in Heart, O God

No. 666 I Am Thine, O Lord  
(verses 1, 2 &4)

No. 789 Father

*Prayer:* Tom

*Song No. 332 Lead Me to Calvary* (1st verse)

*Communion:* Chris

*assisted by*

Orin, Ben, Fred

*Song:* No. 514 Redeemed

*Lesson:* Meet Me at the Well  
John 4

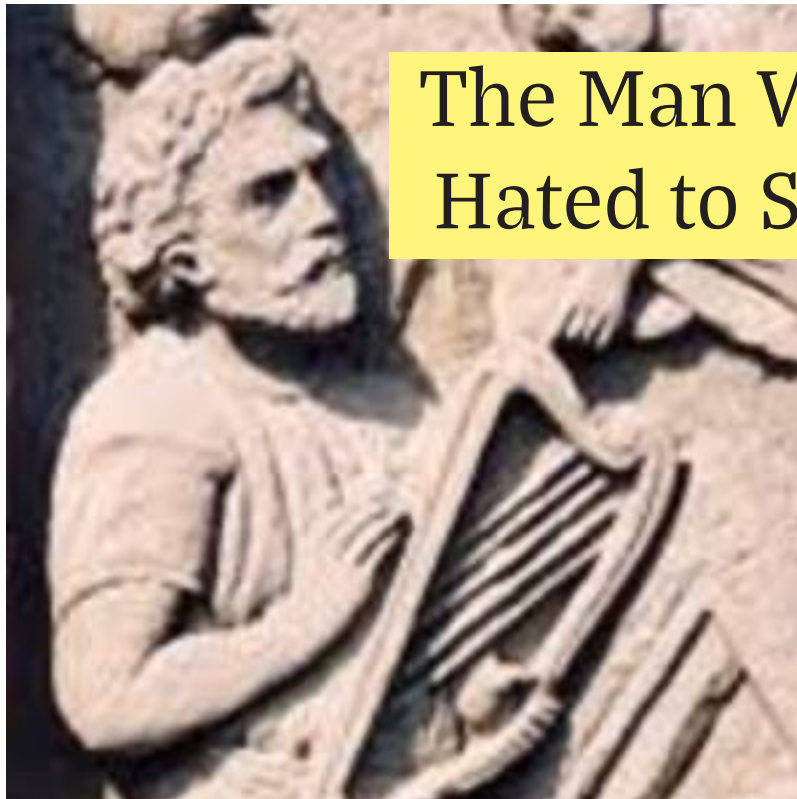
*Song No. 947 Jesus Is Tenderly Calling* (1st verse)

*Prayer:* John

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## The Man Who Hated to Sing

Caedmon hated to sing. The smoky light from the lanterns filled the inn, but Caedmon could see through the haze the minstrel's harp being passed his way. The old cowherd slipped into the night and retired to the stables to sleep.

The year was 650 A.D. near Whitby, England, on the coast of the North Sea. According to Bede, who wrote an Ecclesiastical History of the English Nation in the 8th century, after having a dream that night, Caedmon woke up singing songs about the creation of the world.

The old man went to his master, the bailiff, and told him about

his dream and sang this song:

Now we must praise  
The Maker of the heavenly realm,  
The Creator's power and wisdom,  
The deeds of the Father of Glory;  
How He, being God eternal,  
Was the Author of all wonders,  
Who first to the sons of men  
Made heaven for the roof of their abode,  
And then created the earth,  
Almighty Guardian of mankind...

Admittedly, it was only a paraphrase of our Bible and a poor one at that, but it was the first attempt to make the stories of the creation,

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the exodus, Christ's incarnation, passion, resurrection and ascension into heaven available to the English people in their own language. And what they could sing they could easily tell to others.

Caedmon left his master and went to live at a monastery. There the monks told him stories from their Latin Bible, then, each night, "keeping in mind all he had heard, and as it were chewing the cud," according to Bede, he would retire to awake fresh each day with verses so melodious that "his instructors became his eager listeners."

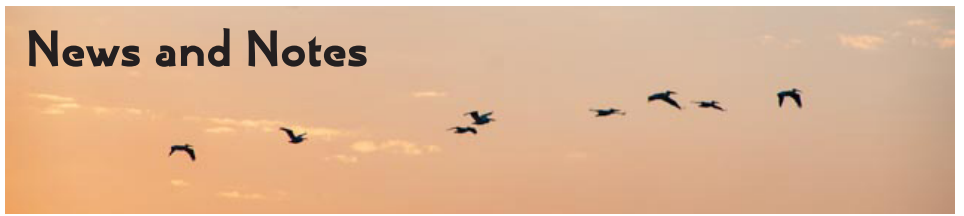
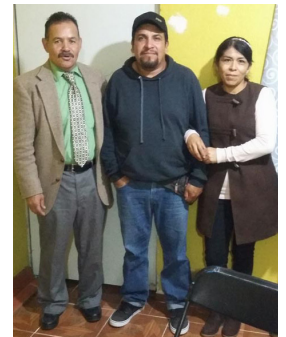
A few short years later Caedmon died in his sleep - after singing to comfort the sick near the place where he had hated to sing.



## News from Mexico

We received a report this week from Ubaldo and Maria Cardona concerning their recent campaign in Tulancingo Hidalgo as well as their regular work with the church in Parral.

While their full newsletter is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer, Ubaldo also included these photographs from the meeting in Tulancingo Hidalgo.



## Intergenerational Ladies' Day

"A Cord of Three" is the topic of the Eastwood Church of Christ's Ladies' Day, Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Elaine Denman, a prior *Women Walking with God* keynote speaker, will be featured and lunch is provided. Registration begins at 8:30 A.M. and the program ends at 2:00 P.M. Lunch is provided. Please RSVP (620) 960-5214 or [hillary.carden@gmail.com](mailto:hillary.carden@gmail.com). The address is 2500 N. Plum, Hutchinson.

*"Pray and let God worry."*

- Martin Luther

## For Your Prayers

We've heard good reports from Stan and Orvalee concerning his visit to the Mayo Clinic. Please continue to pray for them as Stan continues to recover.

Winter is blowing its chilly breath and many of our seniors are confined to their houses. That doesn't mean they are forgotten! Let's offer special prayers for our shut-ins this week.

