

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • AUGUST 7, 2016 • 10:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP **Revelation 4:8b, 11**

Pastor: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

People: Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.

HYMN OF PRAISE **Holy, Holy, Holy**

1. *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

2. *Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.*

3. *Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.*

4. *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING **Luke 13:22-30**

²² He went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³ And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, ²⁴ "Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' ²⁶ Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' ²⁷ But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' ²⁸ In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹ And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

HYMN OF PETITION **Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior**

1. *Pass me not O gentle Savior
Hear my humble cry
While on others Thou art calling
Do not pass me by*

Chorus
*Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry
While on others Thou art calling
Do not pass me by*

2. *Let me at Thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief
Kneeling there in deep contrition
Help my unbelief
Chorus*

3. *Trusting only in Thy merit
Would I seek Thy face
Heal my wounded broken spirit
Save me by Thy grace
Chorus*

4. *Thou the Spring of all my comfort
More than life to me
Whom have I on earth beside Thee?
Whom in heaven but Thee?
Chorus 2x*

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SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139

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SERMON

"The Life of Man"
-Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF RESPONSE **He Will Hold Me Fast**

*1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast:
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold: He must hold me fast.*

Chorus

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

2. *Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.*

Chorus

3. *For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!*

Chorus 2x

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CONFession of SIN

Adapted from *Valley of Vision*

I am a shell full of dust, but animated with an invisible rational soul and made anew by an unseen power of grace. Yet I am no rare object of valuable price, but one that has nothing and is nothing, although chosen of thee from eternity, Given to Christ, and born again; I am deeply convinced of the evil and misery of a sinful state, of the vanity of creatures, but also of the sufficiency of Christ. Convince me that I cannot be my own God, or make myself happy, nor my own Christ to restore my joy, nor my own Spirit to teach, guide, rule me. Then take me to the cross and leave me there.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 130:3-5

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope.

THE LORD'S SUPPER**The Power of the Cross**

*1. Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood*

Chorus

*This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross*

*2. Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow*
Chorus

*3. Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry*
Chorus

*4. Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love*

*This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love, what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross*
REPEAT

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As a Beggar, I Come to Thee

*1. As a beggar, I come to Thee
As a beggar, I come to Thee
With empty hands, without one plea
As a beggar, I come to Thee*

*2. At Thy table I find a feast
At Thy table I find a feast
Here come the poor, the lame, the least
At Thy table I find a feast*

*3. Precious Savior, how can it be?
Precious Savior, how can it be?
Thine own dear blood was shed for me!
Precious Savior, how can it be?*

*4. All my days, Lord, Thy will be done
All my days, Lord, Thy will be done
Long I to see Thy kingdom come
All my days, Lord, Thy will be done*

*5. Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come
With lifted hearts, our prayer is sung,
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come*

*With lifted hearts, our prayer is sung,
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come*

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HYMN OF COMMITMENT**Your Great Name We Praise**

*1. Immortal, invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most holy, most glorious the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise*

*2. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light
Not wanting or wasting You rule us in might
Your justice like mountains high soaring above
Your clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love*

CHORUS

*Most Holy, Most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise*

*3. All life comes from You Lord
To both great and small
In all life You live Lord, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish, but quickly grow frail
We wither and perish, but You never fail.*
Chorus

*4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light
Your angels adore You all veiling their sight
All praise we will render oh Father of grace
Till one day in splendor we see face to face.*
Chorus 2X

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BENEDICTION**DISMISSAL**

*Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and
Savior, Jesus Christ.*

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

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*"Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
Once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy."*

I Peter 2:10

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