

Mercy Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • MAY 10, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 145:1-3, 16-17

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

People: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

All: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

O Worship the King

1. O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His power and His love.
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

2. O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, Whose canopy space;
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

3. Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

4. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end;
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

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NEW TESTAMENT READING James 2:14-

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

SONG OF CONFESSION O Great God

1. O great God of highest heav'n,
Occupy my lowly heart;
Own it all and reign supreme,
Conquer every rebel pow'r.
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war;
You have loved and purchased me,
Make me Yours forever more.

2. I was blinded by my sin,
Had no ears to hear Your voice;
Did not know Your love within,
Had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then Your Spirit gave me life,
Opened up Your Word to me;
Through the gospel of Your Son,
Gave me endless hope and peace.

3. Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace.
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed.
O great God of highest heav'n,
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CONFESSION OF SIN Acts 28:1-6

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against one another: in thought word and deed; in the evil we have done and the good we have left undone. We have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We humbly confess and repent of these, our sins. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive all that is past and for the glory of Your Name grant renewing grace to serve You in newness of life. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 1-3:1-4

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTIONS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN OF PREPARATION Cornerstone

3. When Darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil,
My anchor holds within the veil.
Chorus

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly trust in Jesus name.

2. His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

CHORUS

Christ alone, Cornerstone;
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love;
Through the storm He is Lord,
Lord of all.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 28:7-16

Now in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the chief man of the island, named Publius, who received us and entertained us hospitably for three days. It happened that the father of Publius lay sick with fever and dysentery. And Paul visited him and prayed, and putting his hands on him, healed him. And when this had taken place, the rest of the people on the island who had diseases also came and were cured. They also honored us greatly, and when we were about to sail, they put on board whatever we needed.

After three months we set sail in a ship that had wintered in the island, a ship of Alexandria, with the twin gods as a figurehead. Putting in at Syracuse, we stayed there for three days. And from there we made a circuit and arrived at Rhegium. And after one day a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli. There we found brothers and were invited to stay with them for seven days. And so we came to Rome. And the brothers there, when they heard about us, came as far as the Forum of Appius and Three Taverns to meet us. On seeing them, Paul thanked God and took courage. And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him.

SERMON

“Faithful in the Small Things”

- Rev. Bryan Rigg

- The effects of the fall are everywhere
- God has placed you somewhere
- Christ was faithful in the small things, do likewise

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Nothing But the Blood

1. What can wash away my sin?

3. Nothing can for sin atone,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done-
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Chorus

4. This is all my hope and peace:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Chorus

O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2. For my cleansing this I see:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my pardon this my plea:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Chorus

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!

POSTLUDE

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