

# Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
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## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 16:1-2, 5-9, 11

Leader: Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

People: **The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

Leader: I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

People: **Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### HYMN OF INVOCATION

### How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,  
For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."

3. "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress."

4. "When through fiery trials your pathways shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Your dross to consume, and your gold to refine."

5. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.  
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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## OLD TESTAMENT READING

## Psalm 9:1-10

- <sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;  
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.
- <sup>2</sup> I will be glad and exult in you;  
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.
- <sup>3</sup> When my enemies turn back,  
they stumble and perish before your presence.
- <sup>4</sup> For you have maintained my just cause;  
you have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment.
- <sup>5</sup> You have rebuked the nations; you have made the wicked perish;  
you have blotted out their name forever and ever.
- <sup>6</sup> The enemy came to an end in everlasting ruins;  
their cities you rooted out;  
the very memory of them has perished.
- <sup>7</sup> But the Lord sits enthroned forever;  
he has established his throne for justice,
- <sup>8</sup> and he judges the world with righteousness;  
he judges the peoples with uprightness.
- <sup>9</sup> The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,  
a stronghold in times of trouble.
- <sup>10</sup> And those who know your name put their trust in you,  
for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.

## 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;  
His 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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## CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord, I confess that although you offer me the riches of your wisdom, I too often settle for my own folly. As much as I have seen goodness and mercy in Christ Jesus, my heart has been inclined to corruption and selfish deeds. I do not seek you like I should. I do not glorify you with my heart, mind, soul, and strength. I am not content with you and you alone; my heart moves from one thing to another, desperately seeking something that will satisfy. Lord, work in me that I might be satisfied by you. Work in me that I might glorify you, that I might seek you, that I might see Christ in all his glory and goodness, and that I might walk in the path of the wise and dwell secure in your house, forever. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## Psalm 103:8-12

- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
<sup>9</sup> He will not always chide,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.  
<sup>10</sup> He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.  
<sup>11</sup> For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
<sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

## SONG OF ASSURANCE

## 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.

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 1

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

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 suffring, I am free;  
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,  
Won through Your selfless love.

### Chorus 2

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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## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

## SCRIPTURE READING

## Luke 11:14-28

<sup>14</sup> Now he was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled. <sup>15</sup> But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons," <sup>16</sup> while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. <sup>17</sup> But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. <sup>18</sup> And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. <sup>19</sup> And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. <sup>20</sup> But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. <sup>21</sup> When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; <sup>22</sup> but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. <sup>23</sup> Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

<sup>24</sup> "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' <sup>25</sup> And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. <sup>26</sup> Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first."

<sup>27</sup> As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!" <sup>28</sup> But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

## SERMON

**"Beware!"**

**- Rev. Bryan Rigg**

## COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

### SONG OF RESPONSE

1. In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

### In Christ Alone

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death—  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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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!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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