

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 9:5-8

Leader: Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great.

People: **Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns!**

Leader: Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

People: **For the marriage of the Lamb has come; and his Bride has made herself ready.**

Leader: It was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF INVOCATION

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord
Who o'er all things
So wondrously reigneth!
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth;
Hast thou not seen,
How all your longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord,
Who doth prosper
Thy work and defend thee.
Surely His goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee.

(Bridge)

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him!

4. Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly for aye we adore Him!

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 17:5-13

⁵ Thus says the Lord:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man
and makes flesh his strength,
whose heart turns away from the Lord.

⁶ He is like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷ “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

⁸ He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,
for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

⁹ The heart is deceitful above all things,
and desperately sick;
who can understand it?

¹⁰ “I the Lord search the heart
and test the mind,
to give every man according to his ways,
according to the fruit of his deeds.”

¹¹ Like the partridge that gathers a brood that she did not hatch,
so is he who gets riches but not by justice;
in the midst of his days they will leave him,
and at his end he will be a fool.

¹² A glorious throne set on high from the beginning
is the place of our sanctuary.

¹³ O Lord, the hope of Israel,
all who forsake you shall be put to shame;
those who turn away from you shall be written in the earth,
for they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living water.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 25: 6, 7, 11, 20

Leader: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

People: **Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!**

Leader: For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

People: **Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 5:25-27

Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

HYMN OF PRAISE

The Church's One Foundation

1. The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord.
She is His new creation,
By water and the Word.
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her
And for her life, He died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food;
And to one hope she presses
With ev'ry grace endued.

3. Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore.
Till with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blessed;
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

4. Yet, she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One;
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy,
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ruby Ellyn Spivey

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

1. O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

2. O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

3. O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

4. O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:37-44

³⁷ While Jesus was speaking, a Pharisee asked him to dine with him, so he went in and reclined at table. ³⁸ The Pharisee was astonished to see that he did not first wash before dinner. ³⁹ And the Lord said to him, "Now you Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the dish, but inside you are full of greed and wickedness. ⁴⁰ You fools! Did not he who made the outside make the inside also? ⁴¹ But give as alms those things that are within, and behold, everything is clean for you. ⁴² "But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe the mint and rue and every herb, and neglect justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. ⁴³ Woe to you Pharisees! For you love the best seat in the synagogues and greetings in the marketplaces. ⁴⁴ Woe to you! For you are like unmarked graves, and people walk over them without knowing it."

SERMON

"Unmarked Graves"
- Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF RESPONSE

Made Alive

1. I once was dead in sin, alone and hopeless.
A child of wrath, I walked condemned in darkness.
But Your mercy brought new life, and in your love and kindness,
Raised me up with Christ and made me righteous.

Chorus

You have bought me back with the riches of
Your amazing grace and relentless love.
I'm made alive forever with you – life forever.
By your grace I'm saved.

2. Lord you are the light, that broke the darkness.
You satisfy my soul, when I am heartless.
If ever I forget my true identity,
Show me who I am and help me to believe.
Chorus

Bridge

My sin has been erased.
I'll never be the same.
My sin has been erased.
I'll never be the same.

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!

POSTLUDE

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