

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 45:2, 22; 46:13

Leader: I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God.

People: **Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.**

Leader: I will bring near my righteousness; it is not far off.

People: **And my salvation will not delay.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

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.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

(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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NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 14:1-7

¹“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

HYMN OF CONFESSION

Help My Unbelief

1. I know the Lord is nigh,
And would but cannot pray,
For Satan meets me when I try,
And frights my soul away,
And frights my soul away.

2. I would but can't repent,
Though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent
Till Jesus makes it soft,
Till Jesus makes it soft.

Chorus

Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
My help must come from Thee.

3. I would but cannot love,
Though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move
A soul as base as mine.
A soul so base as mine.

4. I would but cannot rest,
In God's most holy will;
I know what He appoints is best,
And murmur at it still.
I murmur at it still.
Chorus 2X

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SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hebrews 4:15-16

¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14:15-24

¹⁵ When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, “Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” ¹⁶ But he said to him, “A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. ¹⁷ And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is now ready.’ ¹⁸ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.’ ¹⁹ And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’ ²⁰ And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ ²¹ So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’ ²² And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’ ²³ And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. ²⁴ For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.’”

SERMON

“The Great Banquet”

- Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SONG

1. Lord I come, I confess;
Bowling here, I find my rest.
Without You, I fall apart;
You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You,
Ev'ry hour I need You;
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh, God, how I need You.

2. Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more,
Where grace is found is where You are;
And where You are, Lord, I am free,
Holiness is Christ in me.
Chorus

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You;
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

Lord, I Need You

Ending Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You,
Ev'ry hour I need You;
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh, God, how I need You.
You're my one defense, my righteousness,
Oh, God how I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh, God how I need You.

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SONG OF RESPONSE

In Tenderness

1. In tenderness He sought me
Weary and sick with sin,
And on His shoulders brought me
Back to His fold again,
While angels in His presence sang
Until the courts of heaven rang.

Chorus

O - o - oh the love that sought me
O - o - oh the blood that bought me
Oh the grace that brought me to the fold of God
Grace that brought me to the fold of God.

2. He died for me while I was sinning
Needy and poor and blind.
He whispered to assure me
"I've found thee; thou art Mine."
I never heard a sweeter voice.
It made my aching heart rejoice.
Chorus

3. Upon His grace I'll daily ponder
And sing anew His praise
With all adoring wonder
His blessings I'll retrace.
It seems as if eternal days
Are far too short to sing His praise.
Chorus x2

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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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