

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022

CALL TO WORSHIP

Selections from Isaiah 49

- Leader: "I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
People: **"Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."**
Leader: Thus says the LORD: "In a time of favor I have answered you."
People: **Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing!**
Leader: For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Rejoice the Lord is King

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore.
Rejoice, give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore!

Chorus

Lift up your heart;
Lift up your voice,
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2. Jesus the Savior reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above.
Chorus

3. His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n.
Chorus

4. He sits at God's right hand,
till all His foes submit.
And bow to his command
and fall beneath his feet.
Chorus

5. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord, the Judge, shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home!
Chorus 2X

PRAYER OF INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Philippians 2:12-18

¹²Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or disputing, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious God, we confess how we count ourselves rich and needing nothing, not realizing we are wretched, pitiable, poor, and blind. For our iniquities have made a separation between us and you, O God. Our sins have hidden your face from us. And so we grope like those who have no eyes. Out of our gloom and darkness, grant that we may see. For the true light, which gives light to everyone, has come into the world: your Son and our Savior, full of grace and truth.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 10:10-11

For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

Come Thou Fount

1. Come, Thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise!
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home;
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious Blood!

3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let Thy grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee;
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above!

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above!

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 4:1-11

¹ Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ² so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. ³ For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. ⁴ With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; ⁵ but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶ For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does.

⁷ The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

SERMON

“Stewards of Grace”
- Rev. Bob Davis

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SONG

Grace Alone

1. I was an orphan, lost at the fall, running away when I'd hear you call,
But Father, you worked your will.
I had no righteousness of my own; I had no right to draw near your throne,
But Father, you loved me still.

Chorus 1

And in love, before you laid the world's foundation
You predestined to adopt me as your own.
You have raised me up so high above my station.
I'm a child of God by grace, and grace alone.

2. You left your home to seek out the lost; You knew the great and terrible cost,
But Jesus, your face was set.
I worked my fingers down to the bone; Nothing I did could ever atone,
But Jesus, you paid my debt.

Chorus 2

By your blood I have redemption and salvation.
Lord, you died that I might reap what you have sown,
And you rose that I might be a new creation.
I am born again by grace, and grace alone.

Bridge

I was darkness all of my life; I never knew the day from the night,
But Spirit, you made me see.
I swore I knew the way on my own; Head full of rocks, a heart made of stone,
But Spirit, you moved in me.

Chorus 3

At your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened.
On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone.
Called into a kingdom that cannot be shaken
Heaven's citizen by grace, and grace alone.

Ending

So I'll stand in faith by grace, and grace alone.
I will run the race by grace, and grace alone.
I will slay my sin by grace, and grace alone.
I will reach the end by grace, and grace alone.

Dustin Kensrue

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HYMN OF RESPONSE

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 shalt 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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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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