

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:1-5

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader: Who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1. O, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.
(Repeat Verse 1)

2. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

3. "Jesus," the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

4. He breaks the power of reigning sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

5. He speaks and, list'ning to his voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe.

6. Hear Him, ye deaf, His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come,
And leap ye lame for joy!

(Repeat Verse 1)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 6:1-5

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

SONG OF CONFESSION Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)

1. For what we have done and left undone,
We fall on Your countless mercies.
For sins that are known and those unknown,
We call on Your name so holy.
For envy and pride, for closing our eyes,
For scorning our very neighbor;
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King.
How deeply we need a Savior.

Chorus

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us

2. For what You have done, Your life of love;
You perfectly lived, we praise You.
Though tempted and tried, You fixed Your eyes
You finished the work God gave You.
And there on the tree, a King among thieves,
You bled for a world's betrayal.
You loved to the end, our merciful friend,
How pure and forever faithful.
Chorus

Bridge

For hearts that are cold for seizing control,
For scorning our very Maker;
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King.
How deeply we need a Savior.
Chorus (2x)

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SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 6:6-7

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

1. Before the throne of God, above,
I have a strong and perfect plea:
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands.
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

2. When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Before the Throne of God Above

3. Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb!
My perfect spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I Am,
The King of Glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die;
My soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.
One with Himself, I cannot die;
My soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Justin Burch

Susan Burch

Bridgett Hobson

Jillian Hobson

Allie Horton

Derek Horton

Lisa Horton

Steve Horton

Taylor Horton

Jennie Howell

Barbara Kent

John Kent

Hans Colby Larsen

Amy Myers

Amani Peck

Evie Peck

William Peck

Alfred Telling

Amanda Telling

Cedric Telling

Eoin Telling

Gwynhevere Telling

Noah Telling

Oliver Telling

Simon Telling

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 4:1-5:4

¹ After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."² At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne.³ And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald.⁴ Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads.⁵ From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God,⁶ and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal.

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind:⁷ the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight.⁸ And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”

⁹ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

¹¹ “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.”

¹ Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ² And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?” ³ And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴ and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it.

SERMON **“The King’s Throne Room”**
- Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SONG

Only a Holy God

1. Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God!

2. What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God!

Chorus

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only.
Cry out! Sing holy! Forever a Holy God.
Come and worship the Holy God!

3. What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God!

Chorus

4. Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God; only my Holy God!
Chorus 2x

Come and worship the Holy God!
Come and worship the Holy God!

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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