

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 22:3-5,27-28

Leader: You are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

People: **In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

Leader: To you they cried and were rescued.

People: **In you they trusted and were not put to shame.**

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and run to the Lord.

People: **And all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For Kingship belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

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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CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Verily Jeanne Orr

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
from age to age. Amen, amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Isaiah 64:5-6, 8-9

- Leader: You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways.
- People: **Behold, in our sins we have been a long time, and will we be saved?**
- Leader: We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
- People: **We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.**
- Leader: But now, O LORD, you are our Father.
- People: **Remember not iniquity forever.**
- Leader: Behold, please look, we are your people.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SONG

Come Thou Fount

Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for Equip for Worship during the last stanza.
Visitors' children are welcome. Children return to the service following the sermon.
Today's volunteers: Sue Crabtree, Elizabeth Deneen, Jade Driggers

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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SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 2:1-4

¹Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. ²We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. ³Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God? ⁴Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

CONGREGATIONAL READING

Romans 3:10b-18

^{10b} "None is righteous, no, not one;
¹¹ no one understands;
no one seeks for God.
¹² All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;
no one does good,
not even one."
¹³ "Their throat is an open grave;
they use their tongues to deceive."
"The venom of asps is under their lips."
¹⁴ "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness."
¹⁵ "Their feet are swift to shed blood;
¹⁶ in their paths are ruin and misery,
¹⁷ and the way of peace they have not known."
¹⁸ "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

CELEBRATING THE LORD’S SUPPER

Come Ye Sinners

1. Come ye sinners, poor and needy
Weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus ready stands to save you
Full of pity, love, and power.

2. I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in His arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior
Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

3. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome
God’s free bounty glorify,
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

4. View Him prostrate in the garden;
On the ground your Maker lies.
On the bloody tree behold Him.
Sinner, will this not suffice?

5. Lo! the incarnate God ascended
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him, venture wholly;
Let no other trust intrude.

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Reawaken Hymns*

Christ the True and Better

1. Christ the true and better Adam,
Son of God, and Son of man;
Who, when tempted in the garden,
Never yielded, never sinned.
He who makes the many righteous,
Brings us back to life again.
Dying, He reversed the curse, then
Rising, crushed the serpent’s head.

2. Christ the true and better Isaac,
Humble son of sacrifice;
Who would climb the fearful mountain,
There to offer up his life.
Laid with faith upon the altar,
Father’s joy and only son;
There salvation was provided.
Oh what full and boundless love.

Chorus

Amen, amen
From beginning to end
Christ the story
His the glory
Alleluia, amen

3. Christ the true and better Moses,
Called to lead a people home;
Standing bold to earthly powers,
God’s great glory to be known.
With his arms stretched wide to heaven,
See the waters part in two;
See the veil is torn forever.
Cleansed with blood we pass now through.
Chorus

4. Christ the true and better David,
Lowly shepherd, mighty King;
He the champion in the battle,
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
In our place He bled and conquered,
Crown Him Lord of majesty;
His shall be the throne forever.
We shall e’er His people be.
Chorus (2x)

Christ the story, His the glory,
Alleluia, amen.

Chris is Risen

1. Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame,
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him, who showed great love
And bled for us;
Freely You bled for us.

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead,
Trampling over death by death;
Come awake, come awake,
Come and rise up from the grave!
Christ is risen from the dead,
We are one with Him again;
Come awake, come awake,
Come and rise up from the grave!

2. Beneath the weight of all our sin,
You bowed to none but heaven's will;
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown,
No burden great can hold You down.
In strength You reign,
Forever let Your church proclaim:
Chorus

Bridge

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light.
The glory of God has defeated the
night.
O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light.
Our God is not dead;
He's alive! He's alive!
Chorus 2X

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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!