

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33:1-5, 18, 21

Leader: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

People: Give thanks to the LORD! Sing to him a new song!

Leader: For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

People: The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD

Leader: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love.

People: Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

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)

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PRAYER OF INVOCATION & THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Your Great Name We Praise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise;
In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes.
Most holy, most glorious, the Ancient of Days;
Almighty, victorious,
Your great name we praise!

2. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light;
Not wanting or wasting, You rule us in might;
Your justice, like mountains high soaring above;
Your clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love.

Chorus

Most Holy, Most glorious,
The Ancient of Days;
Almighty, victorious,
Your great name we praise!

3. All life comes from You, Lord,
To both great and small;
In all life You live, Lord, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish but quickly grow frail;
We wither and perish but You never fail!
Chorus

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light;
Your angels adore You, all veiling their sight;
All praise we will render, oh Father of grace,
Till one day, in splendor, we see face to face!
Chorus 2X

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

- ¹ For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.
- ² He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.
- ³ How long will all of you attack a man
to batter him,
like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?
- ⁴ They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.
They take pleasure in falsehood.
They bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse. *Selah*
- ⁵ For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.
- ⁶ He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
- ⁷ On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

Psalm 62

- ⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us. *Selah*
- ⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
- ¹⁰ Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.
- ¹¹ Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
¹² and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.
For you will render to a man
according to his work.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

1. What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Chorus

O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow!
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2. For my cleansing this I see:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my pardon this my plea:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Chorus

Nothing But the Blood

3. Nothing can for sin atone,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Chorus

4. This is all my hope and peace,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Chorus 2X

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MINISTRY MINUTE

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 2:5-8

⁵ But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed.

⁶ He will render to each one according to his works: ⁷ to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; ⁸ but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.

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.”

SERMON “Storing Up Wrath” - Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

By Thy Mercy

1. Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heav'n Thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear.

2. From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hard'ning pow'r of sin;
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within:

Chorus

By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord;
By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

3. When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's pow'r;
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour.

4. When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys, our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace:
Chorus

5. In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain;
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When all human help is vain;

6. In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day;
May our souls, on Thee relying,
Find Thee still our Rock and Stay.
Chorus 2X

SENDING SONG

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

1. What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes, apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal.
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death!

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?
Chorus

3. Unto the grave, what will we sing?
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore!
Chorus (2x)

Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death!

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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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