

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • JUNE 12, 2016 • 10:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP John 1:14, 16, 18

Pastor: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

People: For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

Pastor: No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF ADORATION Behold Our God/Holy Holy Holy

*Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.*

Chorus

*Behold our God, seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come let us adore Him!*

*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!*

*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.*

*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!*

*Men: You will reign forever
Women echo: (Let Your glory fill the earth)
(REPEAT 4X)
Chorus 2X*

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OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 3:7-15

⁷ Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹² He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³ Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

SONG OF CONFESSION Lord, I Need You

*1. Lord I come, I confess
Bowing here, I find my rest
And 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
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay
Chorus 2X
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God how I need You*

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord Jesus, at your name every knee shall bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth. You are Christ, the anointed Messiah; Jesus, the savior of sinners. At your command, we have been baptized into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We are marked as those who belong to you, because of what you have accomplished in our behalf, to your glory and praise. Yet, against your command, we have misused your name, taking it in vain. We cry, "Lord, Lord," but do not do what you say. We pray in your name, but ask that our own passions be fulfilled rather than for your will to be done. Forgive us. And fill us, we pray, with a deeper love for you, and a longing to be called "children of God."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For 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. ¹⁶ Let 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.

SONG OF ASSURANCE Your Great Name

*1. Lost are saved, find their way
At the sound of Your great name.
All condemned feel no shame
At the sound of Your great name.
Ev'ry fear has no place
At the sound of Your great name.
The enemy, he has to leave
At the sound of Your great name.*

Chorus

*Jesus, worthy is the Lamb
That was slain for us;
Son of God and man,
You are high and lifted up,
And all the world will praise
Your great name.*

*2. All the weak find their strength
At the sound of Your great name.
Hungry souls receive grace
At the sound of Your great name.
The fatherless, they find their rest
At the sound of Your great name.
The sick are healed, and the dead are raised
At the sound of Your great name.
Chorus
Your great name.*

*Redeemer, my Healer, Lord Almighty,
Defender, my Savior, You are my King.
Redeemer, my Healer, Lord Almighty,
Defender, my Savior, You are my King.*

*Chorus 2x
Your great name.
Your great name.*

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SINGING THE PSALMS Psalm 113

"Bless the Lord, O Saints and Servants" (to the tune of "Come Thou Fount")

1. Bless the Lord, O saints and servants,
Praise the might of God's great name
Ageless, matchless, filled with wonder
Yesterday, today, the same.
When the dawn receives the sunrise
Till the night returns its rays,
Shall the glory of God's goodness
Be the theme of all our praise.

2. Who in heaven can be God's equal,
Who on earth with God compare?
Who can raise the poor from ashes,
Lift the needy from despair?
God alone invites the helpless
With the strong to share reward
Fields once barren yield a harvest,
Tongues once silent praise their Lord.

Words: Michael Morgan 2011, admin. Faith Alive Christian Resources
From the hymnal- "Psalms for All Seasons"

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 113

¹ Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD,
praise the name of the LORD!

² Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore!

³ From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the LORD is to be praised!

⁴ The LORD is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens!

⁵ Who is like the LORD our God,
who is seated on high,

⁶ who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth?

⁷ He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

⁸ to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of his people.

⁹ He gives the barren woman a home,
making her the joyous mother of children.

Praise the LORD!

SERMON "The Profound Truth about God that Produces Praise"
- Rev. Rob Edwards

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Heidelberg Catechism Q&A #26

Q. What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth"?

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because he is almighty God and desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

HYMN OF RESPONSE 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.

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 prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

His blood availed for me. (Repeat)

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

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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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"Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
Once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy."
I Peter 2:10

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