

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • AUGUST 14, 2016 • 10:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 96:11-13

Pastor: *Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice.*

People: *Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!*

Pastor: *Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.*

People: *He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF ADORATION

1. *Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.*

2. *Crown Him the Lord of love;
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.*

*Authors: George Job Elvey &
Matthew Bridges*

Crown Him with Many Crowns

3. *Crown Him the Lord of peace;
Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole,
That wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.*

4. *Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave;
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save;
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.*

NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

⁷ So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

SONG OF PRAISE

Your Grace Is Enough

1. *Great is Your faithfulness, O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart*

Pre-Chorus
*So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise, O God*
Chorus
*Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me*

2. *Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along*

Pre-Chorus
Chorus 2X
Pre-Chorus
Chorus
*Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me*

*Author: Matt Maher
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CONFESSON OF SIN

O Lord, help me in my weakness. When I am pushed down and feel crushed beneath the weight of burdens and sorrows, be with me. Often, all I see is confusion, chaos, and sadness in the world around me. Lord, strengthen my heart and lift up my soul that I might worship you even as my spirit faints within me. Keep me from cursing your name or doubting your love, but let me know that you appoint my every step and stumble, for your glory and for my good. Uplift my failing spirit, O Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:7-8

⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

1. *O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in Thee
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be*

2. *O Light that follow'st all my way
I yield my flickering torch to Thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter fairer be*

3. *O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to Thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be*

4. *O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be*

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SINGING OF THE PSALMS

Psalm 142

Hear My Cry and Supplication (to the tune of Come Ye Sinners)

1. Hear my cry and supplication; Lord, I pour out my complaint
Heed my tale of tribulation; lead the way when I am faint
2. When my path is filled with dangers, no one comes to rescue me
When I am ensnared by strangers, no one comes to set me free.
3. Lord, I am oppressed and lowly; I depend upon your care
Save me now, O God most holy, hear me in my deep despair.
4. When you lead me from this prison, righteous friends will gather round.
When from depths I have a-risen, I will make your praise resound.

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms,
In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are then thousand charms. (2X)

Author: Clarence P. Walhout 1982
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READING OF PSALM 142

A Maskil of David, when he was in the cave. A Prayer.

¹With my voice I cry out to the LORD;
with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

²I pour out my complaint before him;
I tell my trouble before him.

³When my spirit faints within me,
you know my way!
In the path where I walk
they have hidden a trap for me.

⁴Look to the right and see:
there is none who takes notice of me;
no refuge remains to me;
no one cares for my soul.

⁵I cry to you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my refuge,
my portion in the land of the living."

⁶Attend to my cry,
for I am brought very low!

Deliver me from my persecutors,
for they are too strong for me!

⁷Bring me out of prison,
that I may give thanks to your name!
The righteous will surround me,
for you will deal bountifully with me.

SERMON

"When You're In a Cave"

- Rev. Bryan Rigg

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Poor Sinner Dejected With Fear

1. Poor sinner, dejected with fear,
Unbosom thy mind to the Lamb;
No wrath on His brow He does wear,
Nor will He poor mourners condemn;
His arm of omnipotent grace
Is able and willing to save;
A sweet and a permanent peace
He'll freely and faithfully give.
2. Come just as thou art, with thy woe,
Fall down at the feet of the Lamb;
He will not, He cannot say, "Go",
But surely will take out thy stain
A fountain is opened for sin,
And thousands its virtues have proved
He'll take thee, and plunge thee therein,
And wash thee from filth in His blood.
3. The soul that on Jesus relies,
He'll never, no never deceive;
He freely and faithfully gives
More blessings than we can conceive;
Yea, down to old age He will keep,
Nor will He forsake us at last;
He knows and is known by His sheep;
They're His, and He will hold,
Hold them fast.

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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

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!

POSTLUDE

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