

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98:1-4

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

People: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness.

Pastor: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The Lord has made known his salvation.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE Rejoice the Lord is King

*1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore
Rejoice, give thanks and sing
And triumph ever more*

Chorus
*Lift up your heart
Lift up your voice
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

*2. Jesus the Savior reigns
The God of truth and love
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above
Chorus*

*3. His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heav'n
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n
Chorus*

*4. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home
Chorus 2X*

*Authors: Words by Charles Wesley;
Music by John Darwall
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READING FROM THE GOSPELS Matthew 24:3-14

³ As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" ⁴ And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁵ For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. ⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹ "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. ¹⁰ And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹ And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. ¹² And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

SONG OF AFFIRMATION We Are Not Overcome

*Solo: 1. Flesh will fail and bones will break
Thieves will steal, the earth will shake
Night will fall, the light will fade
The Lord will give and take away*

*All: 2. Put no trust in the earth
In the sod you stand upon
Flowers fade into dust,
The Lord will make a place for us*

Chorus
*Because of His great Love,
We are not overcome!
Because of His great Love,
We are not overcome!*

*3. Have no fear for your life,
Turn your cheek! Turn your cheek!
Bear the yoke of love and death;
The Lord will give all life and breath
Chorus 2X*

*Author: Isaac Wardell
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CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious Lord, there is reason for sorrow. And yet we are not to grieve as others do who have no hope. Forgive us for grumbling, and so putting Christ to the test; for cynicism, and so doubting his kingdom; for bitterness, and so refusing to extend your grace. Remind us of your rule over all, that we might turn from this world and find rest in you. Grant us courage to carry our cross and strength to follow after our Savior, who suffered before entering his glory. Increase our faith that we might entrust our lives to the care of Jesus, your Son, the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON John 16:33

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

SONG OF ASSURANCE Man of Sorrows

*1. Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid*

*2. Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns*

Chorus
*Oh that rugged cross my salvation
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah
Praise and honour unto Thee*

*3. Sent of heaven God's own Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree
Chorus*

Bridge
*Now my debt is paid, it is paid in full
By the precious blood
That my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
REPEAT
Chorus*

*4. See the stone is rolled away
Behold the empty tomb
Hallelujah God be praised
He's risen from the grave
Chorus
Praise and honour unto Thee
Praise and honour unto Thee*

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING **Overcome**

*(Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for "Equip for Worship" during the last stanza.
Visitors' children are welcome.)*

*1. Seated above, enthroned in the Father's love
Destined to die, poured out for all mankind
God's only Son, perfect and spotless one
He never sinned, but suffered as if He did*

*All authority, every victory is Yours
All authority, every victory is Yours*

Chorus

*Savior, worthy of honor and glory
Worthy of all our praise, You overcame
Jesus, awesome in power forever
Awesome and great is Your name, You overcame*

*2. Power in hand speaking the Father's plan
Sending us out, light in this broken land*

*All authority, every victory is Yours .
All authority, every victory is Yours
Chorus*

Bridge

*We will overcome by the blood of the Lamb
And the word of our testimony, Ev'ryone overcome
(repeat X2)*

Chorus X2

Author: Jeremy Camp

SCRIPTURE READING 1 John 5:4-13

⁴ For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶ This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹ If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.

SERMON

“Consider. Decide.”

- Rev. Rob Edwards

SONG OF RESPONSE

*1. O church, Arise,
And put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak,
Can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness*

*2. Our call to war –
To love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword
That makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have
The prize for which He died -
An inheritance of nations*

O Church Arise

*3. Come see the cross,
Where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes
Lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him*

*4. So Spirit come,
Put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run
With faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory*

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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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