

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: **Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

People: **Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF REQUEST Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies
Christ, the true, the only Light
Sun of righteousness arise
Triumph o'er the shades of night
Dayspring from on high be near
Daystar in my heart appear

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee
Joyless is the day's return
Till the mercy's beams I see
Till they inward light impart
Glad my eyes and warm my heart

3. Visit then this soul of mine
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief
Fill me Radiancy divine
Scatter all my unbelief
More and more thyself display
Shining to the perfect day
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Shining to the perfect day

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NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 20:9-19

⁹ And he began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" ¹⁷ But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone?"

¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

¹⁹ The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people.

CONFESSION OF SIN

O King and Father, your Son died and was raised up in power. Now enable us to die to our sin in repentance so we may rise to new life in Him. We confess to you Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Now heal our confused minds with your word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 103:8-12

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will He keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sin, nor repay us for our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

HYMNS OF ASSURANCE

1. And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood!
Died He for me who caused His pain!
For me who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be,
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

Chorus

Amazing love! How can it be,
That Thou, my God, should die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be,
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

2. He left His Father's throne above
So free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love
And bled for Adam's helpless race
'Tis mercy all, immense and free
For O my God, it found out me!
Chorus

And Can It Be

3. Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off, my heart was free
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee!
Chorus

4. No condemnation now I dread
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine
Alive in Him, my living head
And clothed in righteousness divine
Bold I approach the eternal throne
And claim the crown,
Through Christ my own
Chorus

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What Wondrous Love is This

1. What wondrous love is this
O my soul, O my soul
What wondrous love is this, O my soul
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

2. When I was sinking down
Sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul

Chorus

What wondrous love is this (4X)

3. To God and to the Lamb
I will sing, I will sing
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing
To God and to the Lamb
Who is the Great I Am
While millions join the theme I will sing
While millions join the theme I will sing
Chorus

4. And when from death I'm free
I'll sing on, I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free
I'll sing his love for me
And thro' eternity I'll sing on
And thro' eternity I'll sing on
Chorus (6X)

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING Cornerstone

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

1. *My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus name*

2. *His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay*

CHORUS

*Christ alone; cornerstone
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love
Through the storm, He is Lord
Lord of all*

3. *When Darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil
Chorus*

4. *When He shall come with trumpet
sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.
Chorus 2X*

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SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 3:1-13

¹Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ² who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. ³ For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴ (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) ⁵ Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, ⁶ but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

⁷ Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says,

"Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸ do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness, ⁹ where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.

¹⁰ Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.'

¹¹ As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest.'"

¹² Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD Romans 10:17

Pastor: Faith comes from hearing

People: And hearing through the word of Christ.

SERMON

"Moses 2.0"

- Rev. Bryan Rigg

HYMN OF RESPONSE Jesus Shall Reign

1. *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does His successive journeys run
His kingdom spread from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more*

2. *For Him shall endless prayer be made
And praises throng to crown His head
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice*

3. *People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name*

4. *Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the sons of want are blessed*

5. *Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
His grateful honors to our King
Angels descend with songs again
And earth repeats the loud amen*

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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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