

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP Ephesians 5:13-17,19

Leader: Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

People: Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is:

All: Be filled with the Spirit. Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMNS OF ADORATION 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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Fairest Lord Jesus

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature. Son of God and Son of man,  
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor. Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands.  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer. Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight. And all the twinkling starry host  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer. Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

4. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of man  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING Hosea 2:14-20, 23

<sup>14</sup> "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her. <sup>15</sup> And there I will give her her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope. And there she shall answer as in the days of her youth, as at the time when she came out of the land of Egypt. <sup>16</sup> "And in that day, declares the LORD, you will call me 'My Husband,' and no longer will you call me 'My Baal.' <sup>17</sup> For I will remove the names of the Baals from her mouth, and they shall be remembered by name no more. <sup>18</sup> And I will make for them a covenant on that day with the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the creeping things of the ground. And I will abolish the bow, the sword, and war from the land, and I will make you lie down in safety. <sup>19</sup> And I will betroth you to me forever. I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love and in mercy. <sup>20</sup> I will betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know the LORD.

And I will have mercy on No Mercy, and I will say to Not My People, 'You are my people'; and he shall say, 'You are my God.'"

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Christian Joshua George

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

HYMN OF PRAISE Only A Holy God

(Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for a children's Bible lesson during the last stanza.  
Visitors' children are welcome.)

1. Who else commands all the hosts of heaven.  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles. Only a Holy God

2. What other beauty demands such praises.  
What other splendour outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice. Only a Holy God

Chorus

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only  
Cry out sing holy, forever a Holy God. Come and worship the Holy God

3. What other glory consumes like fire. What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated. Only a Holy God  
Chorus 2X (Interlude)

4. Who else could rescue me from my failing. Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father. Only a Holy God. Only my Holy God  
Chorus 2X  
Come and worship the Holy God (Interlude)  
Chorus

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SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 5:22-33

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD Romans 10:17

Pastor: Faith comes from hearing

People: And hearing through the word of Christ.

SERMON "Imitators of God"  
-Rev. Bryan Rigg

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF THANKS The Church's One Foundation

1. The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride  
With His own blood He bought her  
And for her life, He died

2. Elect from ev'ry nation  
Yet one o'er all the earth  
Her charter of salvation  
One Lord, one faith, one birth  
One holy Name she blesses  
Partakes one holy food  
And to one hope she presses  
With ev'ry grace endued

3. Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war  
She waits the consummation,  
Of peace for evermore.  
Till with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blessed  
And the great church victorious  
Shall be the church at rest.

4. Yet she on earth hath union  
With God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won,  
O happy ones and holy  
Lord give us grace that we,  
Like them the meek and lowly  
On high may dwell with Thee.

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**CONFESSION OF SIN** Psalm 25: 6, 7, 11, 20

Leader: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

**Congregation: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!**

Leader: For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

**Congregation: Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Ephesians 5:25-27

Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1. When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride

2. Forbid it Lord that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

3. See from His head His hands His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown

4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small  
Love so amazing so divine, demands my soul my life my all  
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**'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus**

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word  
Just to rest upon His promise, just to know "Thus saith the Lord."

**Chorus**

Jesus Jesus how I trust Him. How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus Jesus precious Jesus. O for grace to trust Him more!

2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood  
Just in simple faith to plunge me neath the healing cleansing flood  
Chorus

3. Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease  
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace  
Chorus

4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend.  
And I know that Thou art with me, will be with me to the end!"  
Chorus 2X

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**HYMN OF RESPONSE** The Sands of Time are Sinking

1. The sands of time are sinking,  
The dawn of heaven breaks;  
The summer morn I've sighed for -  
The fair, sweet morn awakes:  
Dark, dark had been the midnight  
But dayspring is at hand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel's land.

2. The king there in His beauty,  
Without a veil is seen:  
It were a well-spent journey,  
Though seven deaths lay between:  
The Lamb with His fair army,  
Doth on Mount Zion stand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel's land

3. O Christ, He is the fountain,  
The deep, sweet well of love!  
The streams on earth I've tasted  
More deep I'll drink above:  
There to an ocean fullness  
His mercy doth expand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel's land.

4. The bride eyes not her garment,  
But her dear Bridegroom's face;  
I will not gaze at glory  
But on my King of grace.  
Not at the crown He giveth  
But on His pierced hand;  
The Lamb is all the glory  
Of Emmanuel's land.

5. O I am my Beloved's  
And my Beloved is mine!  
He brings a poor vile sinner  
Into His house of wine  
I stand upon His merit -  
I know no other stand,  
Not e'en where glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel's land  
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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!**

**POSTLUDE**

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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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