

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • JULY 21, 2019 • 10:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP Zechariah 9:9, Psalm 118:26

Pastor: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

People: **Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

Pastor: Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he.

People: **Humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF ADORATION

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder

1. Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name.
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai 's flame.
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has brought us nigh to God.

2. Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by His grace and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He presents our souls to God

3. Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down.
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown.
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
Soon will bring us home to God.

4. Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store,
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
Has secured our way to God.

5. Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou art worthy, Lamb of God.

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

PSALM OF CONFESSION

Psalm 19 - May the Words of My Mouth

1.Oh, the heavens declare, the majestic glory of God
The skies proclaim his works, along with all the earth
Oh and day unto day, all creation pours out His word
Night to night their voices are heard

Chorus

You're my rock and my redeemer. You're the reason that I sing
I desire to be a blessing in Your eyes
Every hour and every moment, Lord I want to be Your servant
I desire to be a blessing in Your eyes, in Your eyes

2.Oh, the law of the Lord, will our very spirits restore
His precepts are right, His testimonies sure
And the fear of the Lord,
Offers sweetest wisdom to mankind
His truth transcends the ages of time
Chorus

May the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart
Be pleasing to You, my God

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Our gracious God, we confess the unbelief that is evident in our every sin. When faced with struggles, we doubt your goodness, question your loving care, and mistrust your many promises. Rather than taking up our cross and following Jesus our Lord, we seek our own way. Instead of enduring suffering, we pursue our own glory. Though you intend to conform us to the image of your Son, we follow our own plans. Increase our faith that we would be led to repentance, with the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen, that we might abide in the faith that overcomes the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

SONG OF ASSURANCE Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

1. Jesus, what a friend for sinners. Jesus, lover of my soul
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole

Chorus

Hallelujah what a Savior! Hallelujah what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

2. Jesus, what a strength in weakness, let me hide myself in Him
Tempted, tried, and often failing, He my strength, my victory wins
Chorus

3. Jesus, what a help in sorrow, while the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking, He my comfort helps my soul
Chorus

4. Jesus, I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find
He has granted me forgiveness, I am His and He is mine
Chorus 2X

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN OF PREPARATION Yet Not I, But Through Christ

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

1.What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love,
My deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine
I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

2.The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won
And I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

3.No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

4.With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
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Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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SCRIPTURE READING Numbers 16:35-50

³⁵ And fire came out from the LORD and consumed the 250 men offering the incense.

³⁶ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ³⁷ “Tell Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest to take up the censers out of the blaze. Then scatter the fire far and wide, for they have become holy. ³⁸ As for the censers of these men who have sinned at the cost of their lives, let them be made into hammered plates as a covering for the altar, for they offered them before the LORD, and they became holy. Thus they shall be a sign to the people of Israel.” ³⁹ So Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers, which those who were burned had offered, and they were hammered out as a covering for the altar, ⁴⁰ to be a reminder to the people of Israel, so that no outsider, who is not of the descendants of Aaron, should draw near to burn incense before the LORD, lest he become like Korah and his company—as the LORD said to him through Moses.

⁴¹ But on the next day all the congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and against Aaron, saying, “You have killed the people of the LORD.” ⁴² And when the congregation had assembled against Moses and against Aaron, they turned toward the tent of meeting. And behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared. ⁴³ And Moses and Aaron came to the front of the tent of meeting, ⁴⁴ and the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ⁴⁵ “Get away from the midst of this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.” And they fell on their faces. ⁴⁶ And Moses said to Aaron, “Take your censer, and put fire on it from off the altar and lay incense on it and carry it quickly to the congregation and make atonement for them, for wrath has gone out from the LORD; the plague has begun.” ⁴⁷ So Aaron took it as Moses said and ran into the midst of the assembly. And behold, the plague had already begun among the people. And he put on the incense and made atonement for the people. ⁴⁸ And he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stopped. ⁴⁹ Now those who died in the plague were 14,700, besides those who died in the affair of Korah. ⁵⁰ And Aaron returned to Moses at the entrance of the tent of meeting, when the plague was stopped.

SERMON

“No Outsider May Draw Near”
- Ben Spivey

HYMN OF RESPONSE Praise Him! Praise Him!

1. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim!
Hail Him! Hail Him! highest archangels in glory
Strength and honor give to His holy name!
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children
In His arms He carries them all day long

Chorus

Praise Him! Praise Him! Tell of His excellent greatness
Praise Him! Praise Him! Ever in joyful song

2. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
For our sins He suffered and bled and died
He our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation
Hail Him! Hail Him! Jesus the Crucified
Sound His praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows
Love unbounded, wonderful, deep, and strong
Chorus

3. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring!
Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever
Crown Him! Crown Him! Prophet and Priest and King!
Christ is coming! over the world victorious
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong
Chorus
Praise Him! Praise Him! Ever in joyful song!

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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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