

Sunday, March 2, 2014
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Songs of Preparation

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Brent Milligan, David Crowder
St. Francis of Assisi
William Henry Draper

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing.
O praise Him, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along.
O praise Him, alleluia!
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
and worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit three in One,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Call to Worship

The triune God calling His church to worship Him

Prayer of Invocation

Asking God to be present and to receive our worship through Christ

Dr. Robert M. Norris, *Senior Pastor*, Dr. Todd Smedley, *Senior Associate Pastor*;
Rev. Corey Gray, Rev. Ron Meyer, Rev. David O'Connell, and Rev. Blair Smith, *Pastors*

Reading of the Law

Matthew 19:16-21

God's perfect law condemns and convicts us of our sin and serves as a guide for the Christian life

“And behold, a man came up to Him, saying, “Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?” And He said to him, “Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments.” He said to him, “Which ones?” And Jesus said, “You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” The young man said to Him, “All these I have kept. What do I still lack?” Jesus said to him, “If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.”

Confession of Sin*Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness*

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that Your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward Your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of Your wise and perfect law. Have mercy on us through Jesus Christ and accept His worthiness for our unworthiness and His glory for our shame and His death for our life. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Reading of the Gospel

Matthew 5:17-20

The Lord's declaration of our freedom from the penalty and power of sin

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Anthem

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

Robbie Seay Band

Mac Meador, banjo and voice

Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treacherous shoal.
Chart and compass come from Thee; Savior, pilot me.

Though the sea be smooth and bright, sparkling with the stars of night,
And my ship's path be ablaze with the light of halcyon days,
Still I know my need of Thee; Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child, Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey Thy will, when Thou sayest to them, “Be still!”
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore, and the fearful breakers roar
'Twi'x't me and the peaceful rest, then, while leaning on Thy chest,
May I hear Thee say to me, “I will pilot thee.”

Songs of Thanksgiving

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Thomas Obediah Chisholm
William Marion Runyan

Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.

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“Rock of Ages”

Augustus Montague Toplady
Thomas Hastings

Rock of Ages cleft for me; let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the blood from Thy wounded side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labor of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands.
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone, Thou must save and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to the cross I cling.
Naked come to Thee for dress, helpless look to Thee for grace,
Foul I to the fountain fly, wash me Savior or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

Scripture Reading

Luke 4:14-30

pages 859-60, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

Asking God's Spirit to illumine our hearts and minds for the understanding and application of His Word

Sermon

“Joseph's Son?”

Rev. Corey Gray

8th in a series on “Seeking and Saving the Lost: The Gospel of Luke”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Grace Greater than All Our Sin”

Julia H. Johnston
Daniel B. Towner

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within,
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!*

Sin and despair, like the seawaves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater—yes, grace untold points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide. Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe!
You that are longing to see His face, will you this moment His grace receive?

Benediction

Pronouncing God's blessing on His people

If you have an offering please leave it in the plate at the back of the Sanctuary.

We would like to thank the musicians who participated in this evening's service of worship.

Next Sunday, March 9

Morning Service

8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

“Loving a Victimized Child” | 2 Samuel 9:1-13

Dr. Robert M. Norris

Evening Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

“The Power of Jesus' Word” | *Luke 4:31-44*

Dr. Todd Smedley

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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