

Welcome Sunday

Sunday, June 8, 2014

Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“How Great Thou Art”

Stuart Wesley Keene Hine

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r thru'out the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!
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And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

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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

Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:1-11

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

And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.”

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

O most gracious Father, You are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but You have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in Him. We confess that we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have failed to take seriously Your holy law. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first Your kingdom. But you have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and grace in Him. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. In Your promise is our hope. In Your Son is our salvation and in Your Spirit is our security. Receive us now as Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son that we might live hereafter with singleness of heart for His glory. Amen.

Reading of the Gospel

Romans 3:21-26

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

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over former sins. It was to show His righteousness at the present time, so that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Anthem

“When Would You Need Jesus?”

Adam Kunsberg, Mac Meador
Madeline Leong

Songs of Thanksgiving

“Mighty To Save”

Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

Ev'ryone needs compassion, love that's never failing;
Let mercy fall on me, ev'ryone needs forgiveness,
The kindness of a Saviour, the hope of nations

*Saviour He can move the mountains, my God is mighty to save,
He is mighty to save, forever Author of salvation.
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.*

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures;
Fill my life again, I give my life to follow,
Ev'rything I believe in now I surrender.

Shine your light, and let the whole world see we're singing
For the glory of the risen King Jesus.
Shine your light, and let the whole world see we're singing
For the glory of the risen King.

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“Jesus Paid It All”

Alex Nifong, Elvina M. Hall
John Thomas Grape

And I hear the Savior say, Thy strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all.”

*'Cause Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.*

Lord now indeed I find, Thy pow'r and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat.

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“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Chris Tomlin, John Newton
Louie Giglio

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free; my God my Savior has ransomed me:
And like a flood, His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.*

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine;
But God Who called me here below will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine, You are forever mine.

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Scripture Reading

Acts 16:25-40

pages 925-26, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

“The Most Important Question of Your Life”

Dr. Todd Smedley

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“I Stand Amazed”

Charles Hutchison Gabriel

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me, a sinner condemned, unclean.

*How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!*

For me it was in the garden He prayed, “not My will, but Thine;”
He had no tears for His own griefs, but sweat drops of blood for mine

In pity angels beheld Him, and came from the world of light
To comfort Him in the sorrows He bore for my soul that night

He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own;
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me.

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, June 15

Father's Day

Morning Service

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

“Meeting Foes” | *2 Samuel 16:1-14*

Dr. Robert M. Norris

Evening Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

“The Hardest Kind of Love”

Luke 6:27-36

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