

Sunday, March 22, 2015
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“How Firm A Foundation”

Unknown

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord is laid for your faith in His excellent word.
What more can He say than to you He hath said to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled.

Fear not I am with thee, O be not dismayed; for I am thy God I will still give thee aid.
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My gracious omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters He calls thee to go, the rivers of grief shall not thee overflow.
For He will be with thee in trouble to bless and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not I will not desert to its foes.
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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

James 5:1-6

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

“Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. You have condemned and murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.”

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate 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.

Reading of the Gospel

Psalm 107:1-9

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

“Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.”

Songs of Thanksgiving

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

Thomas Campbell

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 shouldst die for me?
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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!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God it found out me!

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.
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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.
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“The Solid Rock”

Charlie Hall, Edward Mote
Kendall Combs, Trent Austin
William B. Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

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.

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.

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.

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Cheerfully responding to God's generosity with the giving of our resources

Offertory

“Am I a Solider of the Cross”
Evening Worship Team

Marlow
arr. Adam Kunsberg

Am I a soldier of the cross, a follower of the Lamb,
And shall I fear to own His cause, or blush to speak His name?

Must I be carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease,
While others fought to win the prize, and sailed through bloody seas?

Are there no foes for me to face? Must I not stem the flood?
Is this vile world a friend to grace, to help me on to God?

Sure I must fight if I would reign: increase my courage, Lord;
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain, supported by Thy Word.

Thy saints, in all this glorious war, shall conquer, though they die;
They view the triumph from afar, and seize it with their eye.

When that illustrious day shall rise, and all thine armies shine
In robes of victory through the skies, the glory shall be Thine.

~ Isaac Watts

Scripture Reading

Luke 12:49-59

page 872, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

“Does Jesus Ever Divide?”

Mr. Robert Yancey

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Fight the Good Fight”

arr. Adam Kunsberg



1. Fight the good fight with all thy might;
2. Run the straight race through God's good grace,
3. Cast care a - side; up - on thy Guide
4. Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near;



Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right:
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;
lean, and his mer - cy will pro - vide;
he chang - eth not, and thou art dear;



lay hold on life, and it shall be
life with its way be - fore us lies,
lean, and the trust - ing soul shall prove,
on - ly be - lieve, and thou shalt see



thy joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
that Christ is all in all to thee.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Declaration of Faith—The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Passing the Peace of Christ

Closing Song

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Isaac Watts
Lowell Mason

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.

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.

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?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Benediction

Pronouncing God's blessing on His people

Our thanks to the musicians who participated in this evening worship service.

HOLY WEEK 2015

Palms Sunday March 29

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00am services with
Dr. Robert M. Norris

“On to Jerusalem” | Galatians 6:11-16

There will be a Children's Processional with palms at the 9:30 and 11:00 service. Music will be led by our Joy Ringers, and the Celebration and Covenant Choirs.

EVENING SERVICE

6pm Communion service with Dr. Todd Smedley

“Behold, Your King Is Coming” | John 12:9-19

The sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at this service.

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