

Sunday, July 5, 2015
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“O Worship the King”

Lynons

O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space!
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light.
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust nor find Thee to fail:
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
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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

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

Matthew 22:34-40

“But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Merciful Lord, we come humbly to confess our sins. Forgive us for not loving our neighbor as ourselves. We confess that we are more prone to harsh judgment towards others than to patient forbearance. We are slow to forgive others while we are quick to justify our sins. Forgive the pains we have inflicted on others while we have sought to indulge ourselves. Have mercy on us in Christ. While our failures and shortcomings present to us a list of accusations, we thank You that they will not stand against us for all have been laid on Jesus. Remind us again of the One whose punishment brought us peace that we might be delivered from all our sins. This we pray in the great name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reading of the Gospel

John 3:16-18

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

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

Songs of Thanksgiving

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Beth Redman, Matt Redman

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

*Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say,*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name;
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name.

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“Speak, O Lord”

Keith Getty
Stuart Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy Word;
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority; words of power that can never fail.
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak O Lord and renew our minds, help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us;
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory

“Not in Me”

Eric Schumacher, David L. Ward

No list of sins I have not done, no list of virtues I pursue,
No list of those I am not like can earn myself a place with you.
O God! Be merciful to me. I am a sinner through and through.
My only hope of righteousness is not in me, but only You.

No humble dress, no fervent prayer, no lifted hands, no tearful song,
No recitation of the truth, can justify a single wrong.
My righteousness is Jesus' life. My debt was paid by Jesus' death.
My weary load was borne by Him, and He alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world, no work I do, no gift I give
Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands, I cannot cause my soul to live.
But Jesus died and rose again. The pow'r of death is over thrown!
My God is merciful to me, and merciful in Christ alone.

My righteousness is Jesus' life. My debt was paid by Jesus' death.
My weary load was borne by Him, and He alone can give me rest,
And He alone can give me rest.

Scripture Reading

Jonah

page 774, 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 Great Intervention”

Rev. David O'Connell

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Before the Throne of God”

Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me;
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within;
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin:
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me;
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I Am, the King of Glory and of grace:
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God;
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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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

“Nothing But the Blood of Jesus”

Robert Lowry

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow,
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For my pardon this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Benediction

Pronouncing God's blessing on His people

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

Next Sunday, July 12

Morning Service

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

“Questioning God's Wisdom”

Habakkuk 1:12 - 2:4

Dr. Robert M. Norris

Evening Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

“Knowing the Power of God”

Ephesians 1:15-23

Rev. Robert Yancey

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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