

Sunday, August 23, 2015
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Christian Henry Bateman

Come Christians join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia Amen!
Let all with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come lift your hearts on high, Alleluia Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, Alleluia Amen!

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

Genesis 2:15-17

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

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Lord our God, You know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before You now, we all share a deep need, for we are lost without Your grace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Give us true repentance, and forgive all our wrongdoing. Transform us by Your Spirit to live for You each day, loving and serving one other through the abundant grace poured out for us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

Songs of Thanksgiving

“Stronger”

Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

There is Love that came for us, humbled to a sinner's cross;
You broke my shame and sinfulness, You rose again victorious.

Faithfulness none can deny through the storm and through the fire;
There is truth that sets me free: Jesus Christ Who lives in me.

*You are stronger, You are stronger,
Sin is broken, You have saved me.
It is written, Christ is risen,
Jesus, You are Lord of all.*

No beginning and no end, You're my hope and my defense;
You came to seek and save the lost, You paid it all upon the cross.

So let Your Name be lifted higher,
Be lifted higher, be lifted higher.

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“The Power of the Cross”

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath—we stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought,
Ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life; “Finished!” the vict'ry cry.

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death;
Life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

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“Mercy”

Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross where mercy paid for me
Where the wrath I deserve it is gone it has passed Your blood has hidden me.

Mercy, mercy, as endless as the sea, I'll sing Your hallelujah for all eternity.

We will lift up the cup and the bread we will break remembering Your love,
We were fallen from grace but You took all our shame and nailed it to a cross.

May I never lose the wonder, O the wonder of Your mercy,
May I sing Your hallelujah hallelujah, Amen.

I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross where mercy paid for me.

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory

“Cry Mercy”

Evening Worship Team

David Crowder

I will wait, I will wait for Your peace.
I will wait, I will wait and You comfort me.

I lift my head, I lift my heart, my soul.
I lift my hands, I give myself, my life my all.

And I cry mercy! A cry of freedom to be heard.
And I cry mercy! A cry of freedom from this world.

Scripture Reading

Luke 18:9-14

page 877, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

“Going Home Justified”

Rev. Corey Gray

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Behold the Lamb”

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty
Stuart Townend

Behold the Lamb Who bears our sins away, slain for us, and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace, around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ torn for you, eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of love, around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin shed for you, drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace, around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again.
And we'll join in the feast of heaven, around the table of the King.

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

“Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)”

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash
George Frideric Handel, Isaac Watts
Matt Gilder

Joy to the world the Lord is come let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room and heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing and heaven and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world the Savior reigns let all their songs employ
While fields and floods rocks hills and plains repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy repeat repeat the sounding joy

*Joy unspeakable joy an overflowing well
No tongue can tell joy unspeakable joy
It rises in my soul never lets me go*

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love
And wonders of His love and wonders wonders of His love

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Benediction

Pronouncing God's blessing on His people

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

Next Sunday, August 30

Morning Service

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

“Meeting God”

Genesis 32:22-32

Dr. Robert M. Norris

Evening Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

“Bring Them to Jesus”

Luke 18:15-17

Rev. Robert Yancey

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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