

Sunday, September 20, 2015

Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Isaac Watts
Xavier Ludwig Hartig

I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
He formed the creatures with His word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord how Thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye;
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise and tempests blow by order from Thy throne.
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care;
And everywhere that we can be, thou God art present there.

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

Deuteronomy 12:29-32

When the LORD your God cuts off before you the nations whom you go in to dispossess, and you dispossess them and dwell in their land, take care that you be not ensnared to follow them, after they have been destroyed before you, and that you do not inquire about their gods, saying, 'How did these nations serve their gods?—that I also may do the same.' You shall not worship the LORD your God in that way, for every abominable thing that the LORD hates they have done for their gods, for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods. Everything that I command you, you shall be careful to do. You shall not add to it or take from it.

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, we praise You for adopting us as Your children and making us heirs of eternal life in Your Son Jesus Christ, who has freed us from our sins by His blood. Yet we still fail to love You with all our heart, or serve You as we ought. Pardon our offenses, we pray, and make us clean, that we may fully live as members of Christ, in whom alone is salvation. Amen.

Reading of the Gospel

I John 5:1-5

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

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

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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“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.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory

“You Alone Can Rescue”
Evening Worship Team

Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

Who O Lord could save themselves, their own soul could heal
Our shame was deeper than the sea, Your grace is deeper still

*And You alone can rescue, You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise*

You O Lord have made a way, the great divide You healed
For when our hearts were far away, Your love went further still
Yes Your love goes further still

*And You alone can rescue, You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise
To You alone belongs the highest praise
You alone*

We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes. You're the giver of life
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Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1-10

page 878, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

“A Sinner Sought and Saved by Christ”

Mr. Terence Little

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“My Worth is Not in What I Own”

Graham Kendrick
Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love, at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed, at the cross.

*I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other, my soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die, fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us, at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ, at the cross.

Two wonders here that I confess, my worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid, at the cross.

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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

“In Christ Alone”

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe;
This gift of love, and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,
For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His, and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns, or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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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, September 27

Morning Service

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

“Sojourning In Exile”

1 Peter 2:11-12

Dr. Todd Smedley

Agape & Eucharist Service

6pm in the Upper Room

“Lessons for Waiting”

Luke 19:11-27

Rev. Rob Yancey

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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