

# *Missions Sunday*

Sunday, February 28, 2016

Evening Worship | 6:00pm

# Fourth

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Welcome

## Song of Preparation

“Facing a Task Unfinished”

Samuel Wesley  
Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty,  
Ed Cash, and Fionan de Barra

Facing a task unfinished that drives us to our knees  
A need that, undiminished rebukes our slothful ease.  
We, who rejoice to know Thee renew before Thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe Thee to go and make Thee known.

Where other lords beside Thee hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied Thee defy Thee still today.  
With none to heed their crying for life, and love, and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night.

*We go to all the world with kingdom hope unfurled;  
No other name has power to save, but Jesus Christ The Lord.*

We bear the torch that flaming fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose.  
Ours is the same commission the same glad message ours,  
Fired by the same ambition to Thee we yield our powers.

O Father who sustained them, O Spirit who inspired  
Saviour, whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired.  
From cowardice defend us from lethargy awake!  
Forth on Thine errands send us to labour for Thy sake.

*~ Original Words by Frank Houghton*

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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.*

Romans 3:9-20

“What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, as it is written: ‘None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one. Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive. The venom of asps is under their lips. Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness. Their feet are swift to shed blood; in their paths are ruin and misery, and the way of peace they have not known. There is no fear of God before their eyes.’ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.”

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Dr. Todd Smedley, *Senior Pastor*; Rev. Corey Gray, Rev. Ron Meyer,  
Rev. Thomas Myrick, Dr. Robert Norris, and Rev. Rob Yancey, *Pastors*

## Confession of Sin

*Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness*

### Private Confession of Sin

### Corporate Confession of Sin

Merciful Father, we are astonished at the difference between our receiving and our deserving, between the status we now possess in Christ and our past gracelessness, between the heaven we are bound for and the hell we merited. Who made us differ but You? We confess that we could not have loved You had You not loved us first. It is our deepest shame that we continue to sin in light of such marvelous grace. Forgive us O Lord as we fly repenting to the cross of Christ, whose mercy has never turned us away. Enlarge our hearts with the assurance that You will never forsake us, and cause us to grow in the grace of obedience and faith, for this we pray in Jesus' name. 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."

## Songs of Thanksgiving

"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

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.

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Frances Ridley Havergal  
Henri Abraham Cesar Malan

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my silver and my gold—not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect and use  
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine—it shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart it is Thine own,  
It shall be Thy royal throne, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee, ever, only, all for Thee.

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

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

### Offertory

"So Send I You"

*Evening Worship Team*

Londonderry Air  
George Matheson

So send I you — by grace made strong to triumph  
O'er hosts of hell, o'er darkness, death and sin,  
My name to bear and in that name to conquer –  
So send I you, My victory to win.

So send I you - to take to souls in bondage  
The Word of Truth that sets the captive free  
To break the bonds of sin, to loose death's fetters –  
So send I you, to bring the lost to Me.

So send I you — My strength to know in weakness,  
My joy in grief, My perfect peace in pain,  
To prove My pow'r, My grace, My promised presence –  
So send I you, eternal fruit to gain.

So send I you — to bear My cross with patience,  
And then one day with joy to lay it down,  
To hear My voice, "Well done, My faithful servant –  
Come share My throne, My kingdom and My crown!"

### Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:27-30

page 980, pew Bible

### Prayer of Illumination

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

### Sermon

"Standing Firm in One Spirit"

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### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Song of Response

"One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)"

Brian Johnson, Christa Black Gifford  
Jeremy Riddle

Higher than the mountains that I face,  
Stronger than the power of the grave,  
Constant in the trial and the change,  
One thing remains;  
One thing remains:

*Your love never fails, it never gives up;  
Never runs out on me, Your love.*

On and on and on and on it goes,  
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul,  
And I never ever have to be afraid,  
One thing remains;  
One thing remains:

In death, in life I'm confident, and  
Cover'd by the power of Your great love,  
My debt is paid; there's nothing that  
Can separate my heart from Your great love.

**Benediction**

*Pronouncing God's blessing on His people*

*We would like to thank the musicians who participated in this evening's service of worship.*

*Childcare is available for children, infant to kindergarten, in Room 210.*

**Next Sunday, March 6****Morning Service**

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

“The Certainty of Our Blessings”

*Ephesians 1:11-14*

Dr. Todd Smedley

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.*

**Evening Service**

6pm in the Sanctuary

“The Savior Crucified”

*Luke 23:26-43*

Mr. Terence Little

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