

Sunday, May 29, 2016
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“How Great Is Our God”

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice;
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

*How great is our God, sing with me!
How great is our God and all will see how great,
How great is our God!*

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, beginning and the End.
The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit Son;
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

Name above all names, worthy of all praise;
My heart will sing, how great is our God.

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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

Deuteronomy 26:16-19

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

This day the LORD your God commands you to do these statutes and rules. You shall therefore be careful to do them with all your heart and with all your soul. You have declared today that the LORD is your God, and that you will walk in his ways, and keep his statutes and his commandments and his rules, and will obey his voice. And the LORD has declared today that you are a people for his treasured possession, as he has promised you, and that you are to keep all his commandments, and that he will set you in praise and in fame and in honor high above all nations that he has made, and that you shall be a people holy to the LORD your God, as he promised.

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking His forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before You, my God and Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned against You, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as You, my Lord and God, know well, and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask You for mercy, for the sake of Your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Reading of the Gospel

Ezekiel 36:24-29a

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

I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.

Songs of Thanksgiving

"I Asked the Lord That I Might Grow"

Traditional

I asked the Lord that I might grow, in faith and love and ev'ry grace,
Might more of His salvation know, and seek more earnestly His face.
'Twas He who taught me thus to pray, and He, I trust, has answered prayer,
But it has been in such a way as almost drove me to despair.
I hoped that in some favored hour, at once He'd answer my request,
And, by His love's constraining pow'r, subdue my sins and give me rest.
Instead of this, He made me feel the hidden evils of my heart,
And let the angry pow'rs of hell, assault my soul in ev'ry part.
Yea, more with His own hand He seemed intent to aggravate my woe,
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed, humbled my heart and laid me low.
"Lord, why is this," I trembling cried; "Wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?"
"'Tis in this way," the Lord replied, "I answer prayer for grace and faith."
"These inward trials I employ, from self and pride to set thee free,
And break thy schemes of earthly joy, that thou may'st find thy all in Me."

~ John Newton

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

Rend Collective

Come set Your rule and reign, in our hearts again.
Increase in us we pray, unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope, like wildfire in our very souls.
Holy Spirit come invade us now. We are Your church.
We need Your pow'r in us.
We seek Your kingdom first. We hunger and we thirst.
Refuse to waste our lives, for You're our joy and prize.
To see the captives' hearts released. The hurt, the sick, the poor, at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause. We are Your church.
We pray revive this earth.
Build Your kingdom here, let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand, heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire, win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere, build Your kingdom here we pray.
Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r, reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can stop, Your beauty changing hearts.
You made us for much more than this, Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ. We are Your church.
We are the hope on earth.

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory

"Psalm 51"

Mac Meador

Evening Worship Team

O, have mercy God, according to Your steadfast love.
According to the richness of Your tenderness and grace.
Wash me thoroughly from all of my iniquity.
Lord, take all of this sin from me, for against You I am wrong.
Let these bones that You have broken rejoice, rejoice!
Let me hear in joy and gladness Your voice, Your voice.
Create in me a clean heart, God, renew Your spirit in me, God!
Cast me not away, O God, restore to me Your joy!
Lord my sins, I know. They seem to all before me go.
From me does naught but evil flow. I can't escape the curse.
You are justified and blameless, Lord, if You decide
To judge me in my haughty pride, for I was born in sin.
But You shall wash me clean, whiter than the snow I'll be.
From bloody hands to purity, from darkness into light.
So I'll lift up my eyes, and praise You with a heart contrite.
In me again You will delight, so open up my lips.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 5

page 449, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

"Out with Discouragement"

Rev. Ron Meyer

5th in a series on the Book of Psalms

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

"Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord"

Invitation

Thy way, not mine, O Lord, however dark it be:
Lead me by Thine own hand, choose out the path for me.
Smooth let it be or rough, it will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it leads right onward to Thy Rest.
I dare not choose my lot; I would not if I might:
Choose Thou for me, my God; so shall I walk aright.
Take Thou my cup, and it with joy or sorrow fill
As best to Thee may seem; choose Thou my good and ill.
Choose Thou for me my friends, my sickness or my health;
Choose Thou my cares for me, my poverty or wealth.
Not mine, not mine the choice in things or great or small;
Be Thou my guide, my strength, my wisdom, and my all.

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

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks”

Christopher Miner

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

*I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound for promised land, I am bound (I am bound),
I am bound (I am bound), I am bound for promised land.*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath, can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father’s face, and in His bosom rest?

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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, June 5

Morning Service

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

“The Pleasing Sacrifice of Self-Less Love”

Ephesians 5:1-2

Dr. Todd Smedley

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated.

Evening Service

6pm in the Upper Room

“Staying Sheep-ish”

Psalm 23

Rev. Corey Gray

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