

Sunday, April 2, 2017
Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“Come Thou Almighty King”

Charles Wesley, Felice de Giardini
arr. Adam Kunsberg

Come thou, almighty King, help us thy name to sing.
Help us to praise, Father all glorious,
O'er all victorious, come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword.
Our prayer attend, come and thy people bless,
And give thy word success, spirit of holiness,
On us descend.

Come Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear.
In this glad hour, thou who almighty art,
Now rule in ev'ry heart, and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great one in three, eternal praises be.
Hence evermore, thy sov'reign majesty,
May we in glory see, and to eternity,
Love and adore.

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—James 4:11–12

Laura Hashiguchi

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

Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

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—Isaiah 11:1–5

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

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Songs of Thanksgiving

“Cornerstone”

Edward Mote, Eric Liljero, Jonas Myrin
Reuben Morgan, William Batchelder Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

*Christ alone, cornerstone.
Weak made strong, in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm, he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.
My anchor holds within the veil.

He is Lord, Lord of all.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh may I then in him be found.
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless stand before the throne.

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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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Scripture Reading

Hebrews 4:14–5:10

page 1003, 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 High Priest”

Rev. Thomas Myrick

9th in the series, “Hebrews—Confident of Better Things”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Before The Throne of God”

Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook
arr. Adam Kunsberg

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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Benediction

Pronouncing God's blessing on his people

If you have an offering, please leave it in the plate at the back of the Sanctuary.

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

We welcome children in our worship service this evening.

Room 210, off lower Halverson Hall, is open for parents of young children.

A live-feed of the service is available as you care for your children.

If you have to leave the service, feel free to do so, but please come back.

As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Holy Week 2017

Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017

MORNING SERVICE

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

Dr. Todd Smedley

“A Weeping Visitor”

Luke 19:28-48

EVENING SERVICE

6:00pm Communion Service

Rev. Ron Meyer

“The Triumphal Entry”

Matthew 21:1-11

Maundy Thursday

April 13, 2017

7:30pm Communion Service

Dr. Robert Norris

“The Prayer That Broke God’s Heart”

Matthew 26:36-46

Childcare, infants through kindergarten

Good Friday

April 14, 2017

7:30pm Tenebrae Service of Darkness

Dr. Todd Smedley

“The Christ Stripped for Our Shame”

Matthew 27:27-31

Childcare, infants through kindergarten

Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

EASTER SUNRISE

6:00am Communion, Sanctuary steps

Dr. Todd Smedley

“Jesus’ Easter Morning Hymn”

Psalm 30

*Continental breakfast follows
in the Upper Room.*

EASTER MORNING

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

Dr. Todd Smedley

“The Christ Reclothed for

Our Salvation”

Matthew 28:1-15

EASTER EVENING

6:00pm

Rev. Rob Yancey

“Witnesses”

Luke 24:36-49