

Sunday, June 4, 2017
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—Exodus 31:12–17

Joseph Menkis

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

And the LORD said to Moses, “You are to speak to the people of Israel and say, ‘Above all you shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the LORD, sanctify you. You shall keep the Sabbath, because it is holy for you. Everyone who profanes it shall be put to death. Whoever does any work on it, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the LORD. Whoever does any work on the Sabbath day shall be put to death. Therefore the people of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a covenant forever. It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed.’”

Confession of Sin

Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking his forgiveness

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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—Hebrews 9:23–28

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

Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Songs of Thanksgiving

“O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Carl Gotthelf Glaser, Charles Wesley

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread thru all the earth abroad, the honors of thy name.

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.*

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin, he sets the pris'ner free:
His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

Glory to God, and praise and love be ever, ever giv'n;
By saints below, and saints above, the Church in earth and heav'n.

“Merciful God”

Getty, Townend

1. Mer - ci - ful God, O a - bound - ing in love, faith - ful to all who draw
2. Mer - ci - ful God, O a - bound - ing in love, faith - ful through times we have
3. Mer - ci - ful God, O a - bound - ing in love, faith - ful to keep us from

7 G A D Em D/F# G
near You, hear - ing the cries of the hum - ble in heart,
failed You. Self - ish in thought and un - car - ing in deed,
ing, guid - ing our ways with Your fa - ther - ly heart,

13 D Bm A D Bm F#m7
show - ing the cross they may cling to. Help — I come
fool - ish in word and un - grate - ful. Spir - it of God,
grow - ing our faith with each test - ing. God speed the day

19 G Bm G Bm G A
bro - ken in sin, found at the feet of Your mer - cy.
con - quer our hearts with love that flows from for - give - ness;
strug - gles will end, fault - less we'll gaze on Your glo - ry;

25 D Em D/F# G
Fa - ther, for - give, may my sin be re - mem - bered no
Cause us to yield and re - turn to the mer - cy of
Then we will stand o - ver - whelmed by the mer - cy of

29 D Em D/F# G D
more.
God.
God.

We Long to See You (Psalm 24)

Wendell Kimbrough



Al - might - ty God we long to see You. O - pen our hearts and make them pure.



Spir - rit we wash our hands in mer - cy; come teach our souls to love Your truth.

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 7:11-19

page 1004, 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 Perpetual Priest"

Rev. Thomas Myrick

14th 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."

Next Sunday, June 11

Morning Service

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

“Jesus, the Fulfiller of the Law”

Matthew 5:17-20

Dr. Todd Smedley

Evening Service

6:00pm

“Melchizedek the Mysterious”

Hebrews 7:20-28

Dr. Robert Norris

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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