

Sunday, June 25, 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.

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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— James 4:13–17

Miller Carbaugh

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

Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit”— yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, “If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.” As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

## Confession of Sin

*Acknowledging our sins to God and seeking his forgiveness*

### Private Confession 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*

## Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you. Hear us as we come humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, pleading for pity and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds, by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings towards you and towards our fellow man. Most merciful Father, grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of all our sins, according to your grace; deliver us from evil; preserve and confirm us in good; and lead us to everlasting life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Reading of the Gospel—Jeremiah 31:1-6

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

“At that time,” declares the LORD, “I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be my people.” Thus says the LORD: “The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when watchmen will call in the hill country of Ephraim: ‘Arise, and let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God.’”

## Songs of Thanksgiving

“Blessed be Your Name”

Beth Redman, Matt Redman

Blessed be your name, in the land that is plentiful,  
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

*Ev'ry blessing you pour out I'll, turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,*

“Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.”

Blessed be your name, when the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's “all as it should be,” blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name, on the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name.

You give and take away, you give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say, “Lord, blessed be your name.”

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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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**Prayer of Illumination***Asking God's Spirit to illumine our hearts and minds for the understanding and application of his Word***Sermon**

“A Better Promise”  
 17th in the series, “Hebrews—Confident of Better Things”

Rev. Rob Yancey

**Prayer of Thanksgiving****Song of Response**

“Hallelujah, What a Savior!”

“Man of Sorrows!” what a name for the Son of God who came,  
 Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah, what a Savior!  
 Bearing shame and scoffing rude in my place condemned he stood,  
 Sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah, what a Savior!

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*  
*Hallelujah, what a Savior!*

Guilty, vile and helpless we, Spotless Lamb of God was he;  
 Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah, what a Savior!  
 Lifted up was he to die, “It is finished!” was his cry;  
 Now in heaven exalted high: Hallelujah, what a Savior!

(refrain)

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring;  
 Then anew his song we'll sing: Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Philip Paul Bliss

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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****Communion Response**

“Communion Hymn”

Keith and Kristyn Getty  
Stuart Townend

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
 To respond, and to remember  
 Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
 As his body here on earth.  
 As we share in his suffering  
 We proclaim Christ will come again!  
 And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
 Around the table of the King.

**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, July 2**

### **Morning Service**

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

*"It's All In the Follow-Through"*

*Matthew 5:33-42*

Dr. Todd Smedley

### **Evening Service**

6:00pm

*"A Place of Holiness"*

*Hebrews 9:1-5*

Rev. Thomas Myrick

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

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