

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 10, 2017
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Welcome

Prelude

“Highland Cathedral”
Charles Glendinning, bagpipes;
James Adams and Daniel Mears, percussion

Ulrich Roever and Michael Korb

***Congregational Introit**

“O Greatly Blessed Is the Man”
O greatly bless-ed is the man
Who walketh not astray
In counsel of ungodly men,
Nor stands in sinner’s way,
Because the way of godly men
Is to Jehovah known;
Whereas the way of wicked men
Shall quite be overthrown.

Azmon

~Psalm 1:1,6

***Call to Worship**

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Diadamata

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own;
Awake, my soul, and sing, of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King, through all eternity.

Crown him the Son of God, before the worlds began,
And ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man;
Who every grief hath known, that wrings the human breast,
And takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.

Crown him the Lord of heaven! One with the Father known,
And the blest Spirit, through him given, from yonder triune throne!
All hail! Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail, throughout eternity!

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession

8:00 Rev. Corey Gray

9:30 Rev. Thomas Myrick

11:00 Dr. Robert Norris

Old Testament Reading

8:00 Scott Thorson

9:30 Rachel Yingling

11:00 Nancy White

Ezekiel 34:11-16

page 722, pew Bible

*Hymn No. 502

“In Heavenly Love Abiding”

Nyland

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

8:00 Steve Liston

9:30 Peter Beukema

11:00 Doug Gilbert

Offertory

“Amazing Grace”

arr. Mack Wilberg

*Sanctuary Choir; Charles Glendinning, bagpipes,
James Adams and Daniel Mears, percussion*

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease;
I shall possess with the veil, a life of joy and peace.

The congregation is invited to stand and sing with the choir.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun;
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

***11:00—Hymn No. 624—Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

9:30—Prayer for Children and Dismissal

New Testament Reading

John 10:11–18

page 896, pew Bible

Sermon

“Shepherds Know Their Sheep”
1st in the series, “A Flock Well Shepherded”

Dr. Todd Smedley

***Hymn**

“There's a Wideness In God's Mercy”

In Babilone

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings, have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind.
And the heart of the Eternal, is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word,
And our lives reflect thanksgiving, for the goodness of our Lord.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***Invitation to Communion**

***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.

Prayer of Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, our shortcomings, and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all that displeases you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, your own dear Son. Speak afresh to us the gospel of your grace, and remind us that if we confess our sins, you are faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In your Son is our salvation, in your promises our hope. Take us for your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, and in the end receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Distribution of the Elements of the Lord's Supper

*Passing of the Peace

*Communion Response

"Communion Hymn"

Keith & 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

Postlude

"Finale Jubilante"

Healey Willan

Please alert your usher ahead of time if you need a gluten-free communion wafer.

An Elder and Womens Ministry representative are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

he Sanctuary flowers are a ministry of the Flower Committee.

The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00am locally on WAVA 105.1 FM and worldwide by internet streaming audio at www.wava.com.

Hearing enhancement units are available for checkout in the Media Center or ask an usher for assistance.

Children's Ministry News

Beginning TODAY, children ages **Kindergarten–3rd grade** will have three options during the 11am worship service:

- Remain in the Sanctuary with their parents for the entire hour, or
- Remain in the Sanctuary until Dr. Smedley invites them to the front of the church for prayer and dismissal to either:
 - Celebration Choir, led by Susan Fuller and Kelly Elliott in Room 202, or
 - Children's Church in Room 211. In Children's Church, the same sermon parents hear in the Sanctuary will be adapted for them, with small group activities, a hymn of the month, and their own bulletin.

Children attending Celebration Choir or Children's Church will be escorted from the Sanctuary to their rooms by leaders. Parents are invited to remain in the Sanctuary.

Following the 11am worship service, parents pick up their children from Children's Church in Room 211 or from Celebration Choir in Room 202.

Cherub Church

During the 11am hour, children ages **3 years–PreK** are invited to:

- Remain in the Sanctuary with their parents the entire hour, or
- Remain in their Sunday School classrooms. At 11:10am leaders will take children from their classrooms to Room 211 for *Cherub Church* where they will hear the sermon adapted for them as well. At 11:30am they will be escorted back to their classrooms. *Parents, please note: if you arrive later than 11:10am you will need to drop off your child in Room 211. All parents should pick up their child in their Sunday School classrooms immediately following the 11am service.*

Promotion Sunday—TODAY, September 10

Room numbers can be found in today's bulletin insert.

Tonight's Evening Service

6:00pm

"Faith is a Busy Thing"

Hebrews 11:1–7

Rev. Thomas Myrick

Next Sunday, September 17

Morning Service

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

"Shepherds Feed Their Sheep"

Ezekiel 34:1–16

Dr. Todd Smedley

Evening Service

6:00pm

"The Faith of Friend of God"

Hebrews 11: 8–16

Dr. Robert Norris

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

Stewardship & Finance

GENERAL GIVING

Annual Budget \$ 4,706,216

Year to Date Received \$ 2,707,726

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