

Sunday, October 22, 2017

Evening Worship | 6:00pm

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome

Song of Preparation

“Holy Holy Holy”

John Bacchus Dykes, Reginald Heber

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons blessed trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed trinity!

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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

Steve Howe

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

Lord our God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before you now, we all share a deep need, for we are lost without your grace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Give us true repentance, and forgive all our wrongdoing. Transform us by your Spirit to live for you each day, loving and serving one another through the abundant grace poured out for us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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.

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“Lord I Need You”

Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson

Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill

Matt Maher

Lord I come I confess, bowing here I find my rest.
And without you I fall apart; you're the one that guides my heart.

*Lord I need you, oh I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need you.*

Where sin runs deep your grace is more, where grace is found is where you are.
And where you are Lord I am free, holiness is Christ in me.

So teach my song to rise to you, when temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you, Jesus, you're my hope and stay.

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Scripture Reading

Hebrews 12:3–17

pages 1008–1009, pew Bible

Prayer of Illumination

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

Sermon

“Growing Up As God's Child”

Rev. Thomas Myrick

33rd in the series, “Hebrews—Confident of Better Things”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Response

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

Robbie Seay Band

arr. Mac Meador

Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treacherous shoal.
Chart and compass come from thee; Savior, pilot me.

Though the sea be smooth and bright, sparkling with the stars of night,
And my ship's path be ablaze with the light of halcyon days,
Still I know my need of thee; Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child, thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey thy will, when thou sayest to them, "Be still!"
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore, and the fearful breakers roar
'Twill me and the peaceful rest, then, while leaning on thy chest,
May I hear thee say to me, "I will pilot thee."

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

"Behold the Lamb"

Keith and Kristyn Getty
Stuart Townend

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us—and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith, find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace, around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ, torn for you—eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love, around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you—drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice.
As a sign of our bonds of grace, around the table of the King.

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 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, October 29

Morning Service

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

“Our Only Means: By Faith Alone”

Romans 3:21-31

Rev. Thomas Myrick

Evening Service

6:00pm

“The Greatness of Grace”

Hebrews 12:18-24

Rev. Ron Meyer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

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