

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP      **Philippians 2:5-11**

*Pastor:* Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

*People:* **And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

*Pastor:* Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

*All:* **And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

HYMN OF ADORATION      **Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)**

1. *Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found,  
Was blind but now I see.*

2. *'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear,  
The hour I first believed.*

**Chorus**

*My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns. Unending love, amazing grace*

3. *The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures  
Chorus (2X)*

4. *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've first begun.*

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OLD TESTAMENT READING      **Hosea 6:1-6**

<sup>1</sup> "Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. <sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. <sup>3</sup> Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth."

<sup>4</sup> What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. <sup>5</sup> Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. <sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

HYMN OF CONFESSION

1. *Jesus, lover of my soul  
Let me to Thy bosom fly  
While the nearer waters roll  
While the tempest still is high  
Hide me O my Savior, hide  
Till life's storm is past  
Safe into the haven guide  
Receive my soul at last*

2. *Other refuge have I none  
I helpless hang on Thee  
Leave, oh! leave me not alone  
Still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on Thee is stayed  
All help from Thee I bring  
Cover my defenseless head  
In the shadow of Thy wing.*

**Jesus, Lover of my Soul**

3. *Thou, O Christ, art all I want  
More than all in Thee I find  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint  
Heal the sick, and lead the blind  
Just and holy is Thy name  
I am all unrighteousness  
False and full of sin I am  
Thou art full of truth and grace*

4. *Plenteous grace with Thee is found  
Grace to cover all my sin  
Let the healing streams abound  
Make and keep me pure within  
Thou of life the fountain art  
Let me take of Thee  
Spring Thou up within my heart  
For all eternity*

*Jesus, lover of my soul  
Let me to Thy bosom fly*

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CONFESSION OF SIN      **Psalm 51:1-4, 9-10, 12**

*Leader:* Have mercy on me, O God, according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

*People:* **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse my from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**

*Leader:* Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

*People:* **Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

*All:* **Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON      **John 1:16-17**

*For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.*

HYMN OF ASSURANCE      **Thy Mercy, My God**

1. *Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song  
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue  
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last  
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast*

2. *Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here  
Sin would reduce me to utter despair  
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive  
And He that first made me still keeps me alive*

3. *Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart  
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart  
Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground  
And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found*

4. *Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own  
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son  
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine  
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine  
Hallelujah! (4X)*

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      **APOSTLES' CREED**

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the 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 arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living 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 INTERCESSION

## COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### HYMN OF THANKSGIVING Oh Give Thanks!

*(Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for "Equip for Worship" during the last stanza.  
Visitors' children are welcome.)*

*1. We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak  
We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek  
But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears  
And the God of mercy came and brought us near.*

*2. We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain.  
In the shadow of death's darkness we were slaves to sin and blame.  
And we cried out in our labor to the only one who hears  
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.*

*Chorus  
Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures for-ever!  
We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home  
To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

*3. We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride  
We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died  
Then He heard of our con-dition, and He called us by our names  
And the God of glory took a-way our shame!  
Chorus*

*4. We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams  
But the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees  
Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only one who hears  
And the God of comfort took away our tears.  
Chorus  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

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## SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10:25-37

<sup>25</sup> And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" <sup>27</sup> And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

<sup>29</sup> But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" <sup>37</sup> He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD Romans 10:17

*Pastor: Faith comes from hearing*

**People: And hearing through the word of Christ.**

## SERMON "Who is my Neighbor? A Surprisingly Powerful Answer" - Rev. Rob Edwards

### HYMN OF RESPONSE She Must and Shall Go Free

*1. Mercy speaks by Jesus' blood  
Hear and sing ye sons of God  
Justice satisfied indeed  
Christ has full atonement made*

*2. Jesus' blood speaks loud and sweet  
Here all Deity can meet  
And without a jarring voice  
Welcome Zion to rejoice  
Welcome Zion to rejoice*

**Chorus**  
*All her debts were cast on Me  
And she must and shall go free  
All her debts were cast on Me  
And she must and shall go free*

*3. Peace of conscience peace with God  
We obtain through Jesus' blood  
Jesus' blood speaks solid rest  
We believe and we are blest  
We believe and we are blest  
Chorus*

**Bridge**  
*Should the law against her roar  
Jesus' blood still speaks with pow'r  
All her debts were cast on Me  
And she must and shall go free*

*And she must and shall go free  
Chorus 2X*

*And she must and shall go free  
And she must and shall go free  
And she must and shall go free*

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## BENEDICTION

### DISMISSAL

*Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

## POSTLUDE

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*"Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
Once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy."  
I Peter 2:10*

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