

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • JUNE 24, 2018 • 10:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 103:1-4

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy Name.

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,

Pastor: Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

HYMN OF PRAISE O For a Thousand Tongues To Sing

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| 1. O, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace. | 4. He breaks the power of reigning sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me. |
| 2. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name. | His blood availed for me. (Repeat) |
| 3. 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. | 5. He speaks and list'ning to his voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe. |
| | 6. Hear Him, ye deaf, His praise, ye dumb
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind behold your Savior come
And leap, ye lame, for joy |

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PRAYER OF ADORATION & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 7:36-50

³⁶ One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. ³⁷ And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸ and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹ Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰ And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹ "A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴² When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³ Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴ Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶ You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷ Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸ And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹ Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰ And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

HYMN OF CONFESSION

1. As a beggar, I come to Thee
As a beggar, I come to Thee
With empty hands, without one plea
As a beggar, I come to Thee
2. At Thy table I find a feast
At Thy table I find a feast
Here come the poor, the lame, the least
At Thy table I find a feast
3. Precious Savior, how can it be?
Precious Savior, how can it be?
Thine own dear blood was shed for me!
Precious Savior, how can it be?

As a Beggar, I Come to Thee

4. All my days, Lord, Thy will be done
All my days, Lord, Thy will be done
Long I to see Thy kingdom come
All my days, Lord, Thy will be done
5. Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come
With lifted hearts, our prayer is sung,
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come
With lifted hearts, our prayer is sung,
Come, Lord Jesus, O quickly come

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Most gracious heavenly Father, forgive us for our sin of taking your forgiveness for granted. You exhort us that "with you there is forgiveness, therefore you are to be feared." Yet instead of standing in awe of the priceless forgiveness you grant us each day in Christ, we presume on your kindness, forbearance and patience. You teach us that those who have been forgiven much will love much. Forgive our self-righteousness that loves little because we functionally believe we've been forgiven little. Grant that your Holy Spirit would humble us beneath the reality of our sinfulness and our utter dependence on your daily forgiveness. And restore to us the joy of our salvation in light of your plenteous redemption. In Christ's Name. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Isaiah 53:4-5

He was pierced for our transgression; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned -every one - to his own way; and the LORD laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE Psalm 130 (From the Depths of Woe)

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| 1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication
If Thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
O who shall stand before Thee? | 4. What though I wait the live long night
Until the dawn appeareth
My heart still trusteth in His might,
It doubteth not nor feareth
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
(Men) And wait 'til God appeareth.
(Women echo) Wait 'til God appeareth |
| 2. To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth
Our works alas are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth
No man can glory in Thy sight,
All must alike confess Thy might
And live alone by mercy. | 5. Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth
His helping love, no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
(Men) From all their sin and sorrow.
(Women echo) All their sin and sorrow |
| 3. Therefore, my trust is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit
On Him my soul shall rest;
His word upholds my fainting spirit
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support
(Men) I wait for it with patience.
(Women echo) Wait for it with patience | (Men) From all their sin and sorrow.
(Women echo) All their sin and sorrow
(Men) From all their sin and sorrow.
(Women echo) All their sin and sorrow |

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN OF PREPARATION Your Great Name

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

*1. Lost are saved, find their way
At the sound of Your great name.
All condemned feel no shame
At the sound of Your great name.
Ev'ry fear has no place
At the sound of Your great name.
The enemy, he has to leave
At the sound of Your great name.*

*2. All the weak find their strength
At the sound of Your great name.
Hungry souls receive grace
At the sound of Your great name.
The fatherless, they find their rest
At the sound of Your great name.
The sick are healed, and the dead are raised
At the sound of Your great name.*

Chorus

*Jesus, worthy is the Lamb
That was slain for us;
Son of God and man,
You are high and lifted up,
And all the world will praise
Your great name.*

*Chorus
Your great name.*

*Redeemer, my Healer, Lord Almighty,
Defender, my Savior, You are my King.
Redeemer, my Healer, Lord Almighty,
Defender, my Savior, You are my King.*

*Chorus 2x
Your great name.
Your great name.*

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SCRIPTURE READING Mark 2:1-12

¹ And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ² And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. ³ And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. ⁴ And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. ⁵ And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶ Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷ "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ⁸ And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? ⁹ Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk?' ¹⁰ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic— ¹¹ "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." ¹² And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD Romans 10:17

Pastor: Faith comes from hearing

People: And hearing through the word of Christ.

SERMON "Jesus Mighty in Word & Deed: The Healing of Forgiveness" - Rev. Keith Peck

HYMN OF RESPONSE Praise Him! Praise Him!

*1. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim!
Hail Him! Hail Him! highest archangels in glory
Strength and honor give to His holy name!
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children
In His arms He carries them all day long*

Chorus

*Praise Him! Praise Him!
Tell of His excellent greatness
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song*

*2. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
For our sins He suffered and bled and died
He our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation
Hail Him! Hail Him! Jesus the Crucified
Sound His praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows
Love unbounded, wonderful, deep, and strong
Chorus*

*3. Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer
Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring!
Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever
Crown Him! Crown Him! Prophet and Priest and King!
Christ is coming! over the world victorious
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong
Chorus
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song*

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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!

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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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