

MERCY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 84:1-2, 4, 12

Pastor: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

People: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Pastor: Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

All: O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

GATHERING HYMN

Come, Christians Join to Sing

Chorus

Rejoice and sing
to God, our Lord, our King.
Lift up and praise His name,
Alleluia, alleluia.

1. Come Christians, join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King:
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice
Before His throne rejoice.
Praise is His gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!

2. Come lift your hearts on high,
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky:
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend;
To us He'll condescend.
His love shall never end:
Alleluia! Amen!
Chorus

3. Praise yet our Christ again,
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore,
Alleluia! Amen!
Chorus (twice)

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OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 1:19-26, 29-33

¹⁹“Then we set out from Horeb and went through all that great and terrifying wilderness that you saw, on the way to the hill country of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us. And we came to Kadesh-barnea. ²⁰And I said to you, ‘You have come to the hill country of the Amorites, which the LORD our God is giving us. ²¹See, the LORD your God has set the land before you. Go up, take possession, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has told you. Do not fear or be dismayed.’ ²²Then all of you

came near me and said, ‘Let us send men before us, that they may explore the land for us and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up and the cities into which we shall come.’ ²³The thing seemed good to me, and I took twelve men from you, one man from each tribe. ²⁴And they turned and went up into the hill country, and came to the Valley of Eshcol and spied it out. ²⁵And they took in their hands some of the fruit of the land and brought it down to us, and brought us word again and said, ‘It is a good land that the LORD our God is giving us.’

²⁶“Yet you would not go up, but rebelled against the command of the LORD your God.

²⁹Then I said to you, ‘Do not be in dread or afraid of them.’ ³⁰The LORD your God who goes before you will himself fight for you, just as he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, ³¹and in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place.’ ³²Yet in spite of this word you did not believe the LORD your God, ³³who went before you in the way to seek you out a place to pitch your tents, in fire by night and in the cloud by day, to show you by what way you should go.

HYMN OF PREPARATION Psalm 27

(Children ages 4-5 are dismissed for a children's Bible lesson during the last stanza.
Visitors' children are welcome.)

1. The Lord is my light and my salvation
The Lord is my light and my salvation
The Lord is my light and my salvation
Whom shall I fear?

Chorus:
Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life,
Whom shall I fear?

2. In the time of trouble, he shall hide me,
In the time of trouble, he shall hide me
In the time of trouble, he shall hide me
Whom shall I fear?
Chorus

SCRIPTURE READING Numbers 13:1-3, 17-20, 25-33

¹ The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²“Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the people of Israel. From each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a chief among them.” ³ So Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran, according to the command of the LORD, all of them men who were heads of the people of Israel.

¹⁷ Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan and said to them, “Go up into the Negeb and go up into the hill country, ¹⁸and see what the land is, and whether the people who dwell in it are strong or weak, whether they are few or many, ¹⁹and whether the land that they dwell in is good or bad, and whether the cities that they dwell in are camps or strongholds, ²⁰and whether the land is rich or poor, and whether there are trees in it or not. Be of good courage and bring some of the fruit of the land.” Now the time was the season of the first ripe grapes.

²⁵ At the end of forty days they returned from spying out the land. ²⁶ And they came to Moses and Aaron and to all the congregation of the people of Israel in the wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh. They brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. ²⁷ And they told him, “We came to the land to which you sent us. It flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. ²⁸ However, the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very large. And besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there. ²⁹ The Amalekites dwell in the land of the Negeb. The Hittites, the Jebusites, and the Amorites dwell in the hill country. And the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and along the Jordan.”

³⁰ But Caleb quieted the people before Moses and said, “Let us go up at once and occupy it, for we are well able to overcome it.” ³¹ Then the men who had gone up with him said, “We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we are.” ³² So they brought to the people of Israel a bad report of the land that they had spied out, saying, “The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people that we saw in it are of great height. ³³ And there we saw the Nephilim (the sons of Anak, who come from the Nephilim), and we seemed to ourselves like grasshoppers, and so we seemed to them.”

SERMON “Warning!! The Dangers of Unbelief”
-Rev. Keith Peck

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

HYMN OF CONFESSION

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

1. Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own.

2. Man may trouble and distress me,
’Twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me;
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, ’tis not in grief to harm me
While Thy love is left to me;
Oh, ’twere not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

3. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service, pain is pleasure,
With Thy favor, loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather;
All must work for good to me.

4. Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

5. Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal days before thee,
God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious Father, we praise you for coming to us in the barrenness of our brokenness and the howling wasteland of our sin. To you belongs all the glory for opening the eyes of our heart to behold the beauty of Christ in saving faith. Though you call us to daily live by faith, too often unbelief rules our hearts. We confess that our grumbling reveals how we forget your faithfulness, doubt your nearness and disregard your kindness. Forgive us. We confess that our fear, anxiety and anger reveal how often we rely on our insufficient selves, and idols that cannot rescue us and do not love us. O Lord, we believe. Help our unbelief. In Jesus' merciful and mighty Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's My Shepherd I'll Not Want (Psalm 23)

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still, still waters
His goodness restores my soul

Chorus

And I will trust in You alone
And I will trust in You alone
For Your endless mercy follows me
Your goodness will lead me home

2. He guides my ways in righteousness
And He anoints my head with oil
And my cup, it overflows with joy
I feast on His pure delights
Chorus

3. And though I walk the darkest path
I will not fear the evil one
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know
Chorus
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.

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At The Cross

1. There's a place where
mercy reigns and never dies
There's a place where
streams of grace flow deep and wide
where all the love I've ever found
comes like a flood, comes flowing down

Chorus

At the cross, at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red,
and my sin washed white
I owe all to You, I owe all to You

2. There's a place where
sin and shame are powerless
Where my heart has peace with God
and forgiveness
Where all the love I've ever found
comes like a flood, comes flowing down
Chorus

Here my hope is found
Here on holy ground
Here I bow down, here I bow down
Here arms open wide
Here You saved my life
Here I bow down, here I bow
Chorus
I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Jesus
Your love ran red, Your love ran red

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HYMN OF RESPONSE 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.
Amen.

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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