

Mercy Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY • MAY 24, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 34:10-12, 22

Pastor: The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the people.

People: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

Pastor: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

People: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN OF ADORATION

Holy, Holy, Holy

1. 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!

2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

3. 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 pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. 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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HYMN OF ADORATION Amazing Grace

1. 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

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

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

4. Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

5. Yea when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace

6. 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

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SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Galations 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.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 28:23-31

When they had appointed a day for him, they came to him at his lodging in greater numbers. From morning till evening he expounded to them, testifying to the kingdom of God and trying to convince them about Jesus both from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets. And some were convinced by what he said, but others disbelieved. And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: "The Holy Spirit was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet:

"Go to this people, and say, "You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ear and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

Therefore let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will listen."

He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

**SERMON "The Unchanging Gospel"
- Rev. Bryan Rigg**

HYMN OF RESPONSE Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

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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