

Mercy

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 51:12-15

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

People: **Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.**

Leader: Deliver me from my guilt, O God, O God of my salvation and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

People: **O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG OF INVOCATION

Rejoice!

1. Come and stand before your maker
Full of wonder, full of fear;
Come behold his power and glory
Yet with confidence draw near,
For the one who holds the heavens
And commands the stars above
Is the God who bends to bless us
With an unrelenting love.

3. All our sickness, all our sorrows
Jesus carried up the hill.
He has walked this path before us,
He is walking with us still;
Turning tragedy to triumph,
Turning agony to praise,
There is blessing in the battle
So take heart and stand amazed.

Chorus

Rejoice!

Come and lift your hands

and raise your voice;

He is worthy of all praise,

Rejoice!

Sing of mercies of your king

And with trembling, rejoice.

2. We are children of the promise,

The beloved of the Lord.

Won with everlasting kindness,

Bought with sacrificial blood.

Bringing reconciliation

To a world that longs to know

The affections of a father

Who will never let them go.

Chorus

Ending Chorus

Rejoice!

When you cry to him

he hears your voice;

He will wipe away your tears.

Rejoice!

In the midst of suffering

He will help you sing...

Rejoice!

Come and lift your hands

and raise your voice;

He is worthy of all praise,

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 86:1-10

- ¹ Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.
- ² Preserve my life, for I am godly;
save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.
- ³ Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.
- ⁴ Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
- ⁵ For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.
- ⁶ Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
listen to my plea for grace.
- ⁷ In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.
- ⁸ There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.
- ⁹ All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.
- ¹⁰ For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Dear Lord, I confess that I am a sinner and so often I am ensnared by the idolatry of my heart. Even though I know you and know your commands and I see righteousness in your Son and I desire that righteousness, I confess that there is another power working in my heart. I do that which I do not want to do, and the righteousness I desire, I do not do. Lord put to death every ounce of sin within me and give me a new heart. Make me more like your Son Christ Jesus, and in the midst of my unfaithfulness continue to show your steadfast love, that the world may know there is a God who redeems broken vessels like me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 55:1, 3

Come everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come buy and eat! Come buy wine and milk without money and without price. Incline your ear and come to me; hear that your soul may live and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

Come as You Are

1. Come out of sadness, from wherever you've been.
Come, broken hearted, let rescue begin.
Come find your mercy, oh, sinner come kneel.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.

Chorus

Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame;
All who are broken, lift up your face.
Oh wanderer, come home; you're not too far.
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart,
Come as you are.

2. There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed.
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace.
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure.
Chorus

Bridge

Come as you are;
Fall in His arms,
come as you are.

3. There's joy for the morning; Sinner be still.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.
Chorus
Come as you are.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

1. Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name.
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has brought us nigh to God.

4. Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store,
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
Has secured our way to God.

2. Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by His grace and taught us,
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood,
He presents our souls to God.

5. Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky.
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou art worthy, Lamb of God.

3. Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down.
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown.
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
He who washed us with His blood,
Soon will bring us home to God.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12:49-59

⁴⁹ "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

⁵⁷ "And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? ⁵⁸ As you go with your accuser before the magistrate, make an effort to settle with him on the way, lest he drag you to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer put you in prison. ⁵⁹ I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last penny."

SERMON

"Kingdom Tension" - Rev. Ben Spivey

SONG OF RESPONSE

Behold Our God

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice:

Chorus

Behold our God, seated on His throne! Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare! Come let us adore Him.

2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?
Chorus

3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave,
Jesus Savior risen now to reign!
Chorus

(Bridge)

You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth!) (4X)
Chorus 2X

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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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