

The Lord's Service

April 19, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, let us prepare to meet God in worship.

Call to Worship

God sets the terms for
worship because He makes
worship possible through
Jesus Christ. God also
invites us to worship and
we find several invitations
to worship in Scripture.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 149.1-4

LEADER: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!
Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the
children of Zion rejoice in their King!
Let them praise his name with dancing, making
melody to him with tambourine and lyre!
For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with salvation.

Hymn of Adoration

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all;

Bring for the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all.

Come, People of the Risen King

Come, people of the risen King,

Who delight to bring Him praise;

Come all and tune your hearts to sing

To the Morning Star of grace.

From the shifting shadows of the earth

We will lift our eyes to Him,

Where steady arms of mercy reach

To gather children in.

REFRAIN

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REFRAIN: Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Invocation

Psalm 8

Our Father in heaven, how majestic is Your name! From the rising of the sun to its setting, Your name is to be praised, merciful and mighty God. Hear us in the name of Your son, our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. For He is the revelation of Your wisdom, the outpouring of Your glory, the incarnation of Your mercy to us. To You, be all worship, honor, and adoration, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

James 2.8-10

LEADER: If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

Seated or kneeling.

Family Confession of Sin (in unison)

Heavenly Father,
You have loved us with an everlasting love,
But we have often gone our own way
and rejected Your will for our lives.
We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of Your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.
By Your Holy Spirit
enable us to live for You

Invocation

This prayer addresses God in three persons, asking Him to be present with us in worship to help us worship Him according to His will.

Call to Confession

As we worship God we cannot help but see how we have fallen short of His glory. His Holy Scripture reveal this to us and points our heart towards confession.

Family Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. Our prayer includes time for silent confession, but also confession as a family of individuals equally in need of God's grace.

and to please You in every way,
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God's Holy Scripture reminds us not only of who we are as sinners, but also assures us of who we are as Christians united to Jesus in His death and resurrection.

Assurance of Pardon

1 Corinthians 15.20-22

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:

“But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.”

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

We hear Holy Scripture throughout our time in worship, but this lesson (reading), prepares us for the lesson of the sermon.

Scripture Lesson

Ruth 1.1-18

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of the Church

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands pastors to pray with and for God's people, not just in corporate worship, but privately, as well.

Prayer of the Church

Pastor John Jones

Adoration: (Psalm 92.8)

For God's wonder, His regal splendor, His majesty
For His sovereign rule over the past, present,
and future
For His infinite power, wisdom, holiness, justice,
goodness, and truth

Thanksgiving: (Psalm 92.1,2)

For our salvation full and free in Jesus
For God's faithfulness, the watchfulness of His defense
For His goodness in plenty and in want
For Him being our refuge and very Present help in
all crises
For our supportive family, friends, church,
and community

Intercession: (Psalm 116.1,2)

For advance of the gospel, God's amazing grace to capture lives

For national and community revival during tragedy, heartache

For wisdom, generosity, and perseverance in our assistance to others

For wisdom, skill, fortitude, courage for all in authority,

For tornado workers, healthcare workers, scientists, economic and business leaders

For deliverance from COVID-19

For those of us who feel lonely, bereaved, sick, anxious...especially after immediate, personal losses

For specific requests for other, ourselves

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.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Scripture Lesson

Ruth 1.19-22; Matthew 1.5

Sermon

Pastor Eric Mullinax

A GLORIOUS PICTURE

Doxology

A *doxology* is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture through the service, but this lesson (reading) guides the sermon.

Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Holy Scripture by submitting to it, studying it, and expositing it (holding it forth), bearing witness to Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Confession of Faith

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.

Benediction

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service with Holy Scripture, He sends us into our week with a Holy Scripture reminder (*a good word*) of the blessing of Christ, by God's grace, through the indwelling Spirit.

Hymn of Response

From Every Storm Wind That Blows

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*Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism 1

LEADER: What is your only comfort in life and death?

PEOPLE: **That I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, in life and death - to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

God Commissions Us

*Closing Greetings

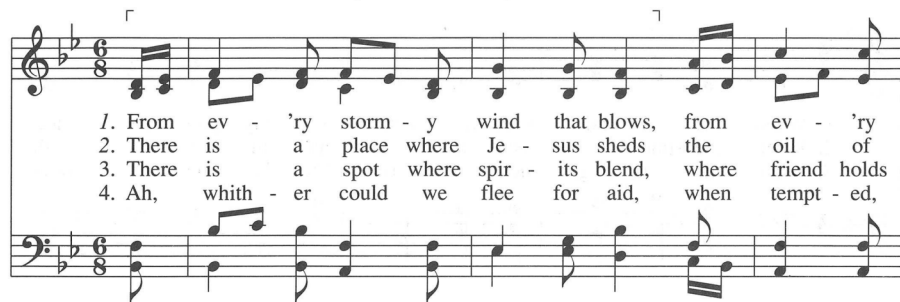
*Benediction

Pastor Mullinax

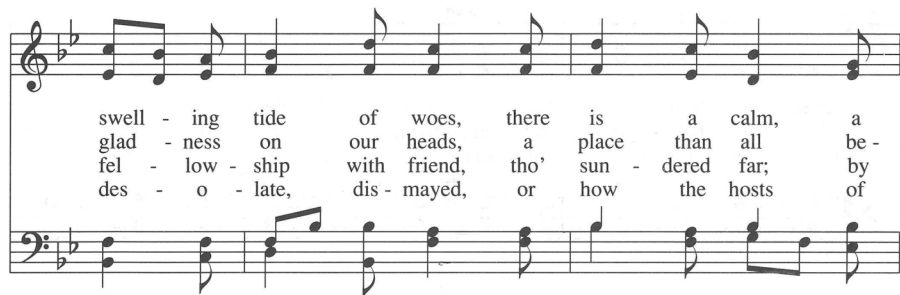
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Alayne Griffin

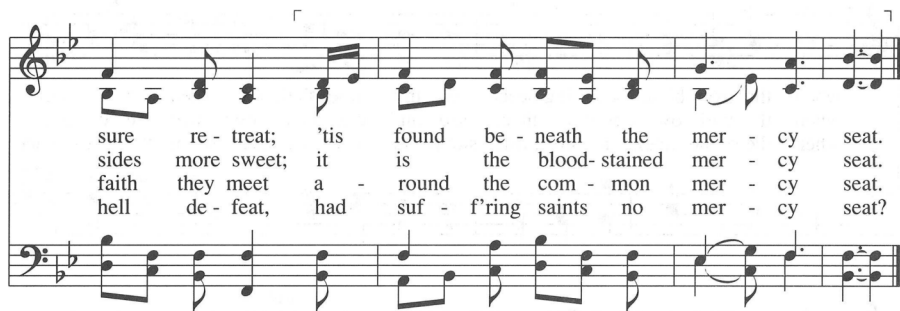
From Every Storm Wind That Blows



1. From ev - 'ry storm - y wind that blows, from ev - 'ry
 2. There is a place where Je - sus sheds the oil of
 3. There is a spot where spir - its blend, where friend holds
 4. Ah, whith - er could we flee for aid, when tempt - ed,



swell - ing tide of woes, there is a calm, a
 glad - ness on our heads, a place than all be -
 fel - low - ship with friend, tho' sun - dered far, by
 des - o - late, dis - mayed, or how the hosts of



sure re - treat; 'tis found be - neath the mer - cy seat.
 sides more sweet; it is the blood - stained mer - cy seat.
 faith they meet a - round the com - mon mer - cy seat.
 hell de - feat, had suf - f'ring saints no mer - cy seat?

5. There, there on eagle wings we soar,
 and time and sense seem all no more,
 and heav'n comes down our souls to greet,
 and glory crowns the mercy seat.

6. O may my hand forget her skill,
 my tongue be silent, cold, and still,
 this bounding heart forget to beat,
 if I forget the mercy seat.

SERMON NOTES

Mission Statement of CPC

*Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors
by making Christ known in all of life.*

Vision Statement of CPC

*Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors
by reverently and winsomely proclaiming the salvation we have received from Christ,
the union we enjoy with Him, and the restoration He brings to all things.*