

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 26, 2021



CHRIST
EVANGELICAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH (PCA)

Prelude

Welcome

To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;
To all who fail and desire strength;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;
And to whoever will come—

This Church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:3-5

Minister: For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.
Let us worship the Lord, the great King above all!

Hymn of Praise

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of his grace

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

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin
He sets the pris'ner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

Hear him ye deaf his praise ye dumb
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind behold your Savior come
And leap ye lame for joy

My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread thro' all the earth abroad
The honors of thy name

Invocation

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.

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

Affirmation of Faith

The Westminster Confession of Faith VIII.1

Minister: Why did God send to us Jesus Christ?

All: In his eternal purpose it pleased God to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man. Jesus is the Prophet, Priest, and King, the Head and Savior of his church, the Heir of all things, and Judge of the world. From all eternity God gave him a people to be his seed and to be in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified by him.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand
What comes apart from his command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

*O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is his grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

*Chorus
continued*

Unto the grave what shall we sing
Christ he lives Christ he lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

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Call to Confession

Exodus 20:4-6;

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A 49-52

Minister: What is the second commandment?

People: The second commandment is: You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Minister: What is required in the second commandment?

People: The second commandment requires the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God has appointed in his Word.

Minister: What is forbidden in the second commandment?

People: The second commandment forbids the worshipping of God by images - or any other way not appointed in his Word.

Minister: What are the reasons for the second commandment?

People: The reasons for the second commandment are that God totally rules over us, that we belong to him, and that he is eager to be worshipped correctly.

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty Father, you are the source of every good and perfect gift. We praise your name for the greatest and most perfect gift: your son, our Lord Jesus Christ. But in lifting him up, we humble ourselves before you. We confess to you, not only our sins of omission in failing to do what we know is right, but also our sins of commission in doing what you forbid. O Lord, we are weak and feeble, slow to confess our sins, and prone to wander from the path of righteousness. Do not deal with us as our sins deserve but wash us clean in the blood of the Lamb and empower us by your Spirit to live to honor and serve our Savior King. We praise you that he was born like us that we might become like him. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 5:6-8

Minister: For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person - though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die - but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

I Stand Amazed

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how he could love me
A sinner condemned unclean

Chorus

*Singing how marvelous how wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me*

He took my sin and my sorrows
He made them his very own
And he bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone

Chorus 2x

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of his love for me

continued

Chorus
Singing how marvelous how wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me

Chorus

(8:30) Sacrament of Baptism

Benjamin Robert Williams

(11:00) Pastoral Prayer

Tithes And Offerings

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen

Prayer Of Dedication

Sermon

"A Sentence Begun in Eternity"

Ephesians 1:4

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

Amazing Grace

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

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

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

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

Benediction

Postlude

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