

# Proclamation

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 26, 2016

PRAISE GOD   LOVE PEOPLE   PROCLAIM CHRIST   PRAY IN THE SPIRIT

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

**NURSERY:** We welcome and encourage all children to participate with their families in our gathered worship service. We also provide two separate nurseries staffed by loving volunteers. Infants (NB–24 Mos.) are in the nursery adjacent to the sanctuary lobby, and Toddlers (Ages 2–3) are downstairs in Room 107. This room is also open to older children of our guests as needed.

**LARGER PRINT BULLETINS** and **HEARING AID DEVICES** are available as needed at the sound board in the back of the sanctuary.

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## REFLECTIONS

"God brings trials into our lives to wean us from trust in ourselves and make us cling to Him alone. The next time you experience a trial, ask God to show you how to trust Him and how to trust Him alone.

–R.C. Sproul

To know that nothing hurts the godly, is a matter of comfort; but to be assured that all things which fall out shall co-operate for their good, that their crosses shall be turned into blessings, that showers of affliction water the withering root of their grace and make it flourish more; this may fill their hearts with joy till they run over.

–Tomas Watson

Hope fills the afflicted soul with such inward joy and consolation, that it can laugh while tears are in the eye, sigh and sing all in a breath; it is called "the rejoicing of hope" (Hebrews 3:6).

–William Gurnall

The pleasures arising from a right understanding of the divine testimonies are of the most delightful order; earthly enjoyments are utterly contemptible if compared with them. The sweetest joys, yea, the sweetest of the sweetest falls to his portion who has God's truth to be his heritage.

–Charles Spurgeon

(The inclusion of quotes does not mean we endorse a person's entire theological outlook.)

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▲ Those who are willing and able, please stand.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

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**GOD IS HOLY**

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▲ DOXOLOGY:                   **Holy God, We Praise Your Name**                   (Stanza 4)

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*Our Gracious Heavenly Father, may you pour out your Spirit upon us that we may worship you alone through your Son Jesus. Cause your Holy Spirit to fall on all who hear the word today that we may delight to praise and magnify your holy name. By the power of your Spirit open our eyes to your glory and grant us faith to believe and rejoice in you, we pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.*

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)

Psalm 66:1-4

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name;

**give to him glorious praise!**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

**All the earth worships you  
and sings praises to you;  
they sing praises to your name.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION (Concluded with 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

▲ HYMN:                                   **All Glory Be to Christ**

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**WE ARE SINNERS**

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▲ **CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)**

**Our God and Father,**

**we come to you in light of the fullness of your love to us in Christ,  
and we humbly confess our sin.**

**We so easily justify ourselves**

**and look at others from a spirit of self-righteousness.**

**We are quickly offended, but we fail to see how we offend others.**

**We acknowledge that our sin springs from our pride**

**not being fully humbled by the Gospel.**

**Help us to take the log out of our eye**

**by casting ourselves anew on Jesus Christ.**

**Thank you for giving us such a Savior and Friend!**

**In His name we pray. Amen.**

▲ **PERSONAL CONFESSION**

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**JESUS RECONCILES US**

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▲ **HEAR THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST**

Romans 5:1–2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

**Leader:** Believer in Jesus Christ, you are free from the guilt and power of sin and death.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

▲ **HYMN:**

**Rock of Ages**

**THE PEACE OF GOD**

Galatians 3:27–29

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

**Leader:** The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People:** And also with you.



DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD (gluten free)

**HYMN (Verses 1–2):                    My Hope Is in the Lord**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CUP

**HYMN (Verses 3–4):                    My Hope Is in the Lord**

▲ **CONFESSION OF FAITH: (Unison)**

*Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living  
and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;\*\*  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\* The word *catholic* with a lowercase *c* means “universal” and refers to the true Christian church of all times and all places throughout history, which belongs to Christ alone.

\*\* This phrase does not mean that baptism has any power in itself to bring the forgiveness of sins. God forgives sins only on the basis of repentance and faith in Christ. Baptism is a sign and seal indicating that repentance and faith in Christ, and thus forgiveness of sins, has already happened or that it should happen (in the case of an infant baptism). The creed reminds us, not that baptism saves, but that the Christian gospel signified by baptism is the only gospel that truly saves.

▲ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Almighty and most merciful Father;**

**every good and perfect gift comes from you.**

**We give you praise and thanks for all your mercies;**

**for your goodness that has created us;**

**your bounty that has sustained us;**

**your Fatherly discipline that has corrected us;**

**your patience that has borne with us;**

**And your love that has redeemed us.**

**Grant unto us with your gifts a heart to love you;**

**and enable us to show our thankfulness for all your benefits;**

**by giving up ourselves to your service;**

**and delighting in all things to do your blessed will;**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.<sup>1</sup>**

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ DISMISSAL

**Leader:** Let us prayerfully go forth as one body to praise God, love people, and proclaim the risen Christ until He comes.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE:

————— **J E S U S I S C O M I N G F O R U S** —————

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Immediately after the service all are invited to join us in the gym for light refreshments as we continue to welcome and get to know one another.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO PRAY** with Pastor De Bruin **each Sunday at 10:40am**, prior to our gathered worship service. We pray in the prayer room adjacent to the lobby.

**MEN'S PRAYER:** 6:45am Friday morning at the church office (81 E Main St, Mount Joy).

**COMMUNITY GROUPS** meet this week. If you would like to participate in this small group ministry but do not yet have a group please contact Troy (203-9675 or [debruin@proclamationpca.com](mailto:debruin@proclamationpca.com)).

**SUMMER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL, Two Options:**

1. **Paul Tripp's *Forever* video series** in the gym. This class seeks an eternity perspective which will enable you to live for something bigger than yourself and larger than this moment.
2. **The Worship of God's People** in the youth room (upstairs) with Andy Styer. This series will explore the elements of our gathered worship service and why we do what we do. All interested adults are welcome to join.

**WE REJOICE** with Dustin and Megan Potteiger and family over the birth of their son.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** for children ages 2–completed Grade 5 is August 1–5, 6–8:30pm at Florin Church of the Brethren. Registration forms are available at the Proclamation table, by the sanctuary doors. If you are interested in serving with Florin in this ministry, please contact Andy Styer ([astyer@proclamationpca.com](mailto:astyer@proclamationpca.com) / 203-6179).

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** Men from Proclamation and Florin are invited to open gym basketball **Tuesday nights, 7–9pm**, in the gym at Florin. Men are encouraged to prayerfully invite one or two men from their sphere of influence to join us for this great opportunity for fellowship and outreach. Bring a white and dark shirt if you can.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING THE LORD'S SUPPER

### *Prayer for Covenant Children Not Yet Confirmed*

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me daily to trust in you alone for salvation, to see you more clearly, to love you more dearly, and to follow you more nearly. Amen.

### *Prayer for the Unconvinced or Those Searching for the Truth*

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are and the necessity of what this sacrament represents. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you, as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### *Prayer for Belief \**

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you and your work displayed in this sacrament, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing the punishment for my sin on the cross and offering me complete forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead and will come again, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

### *Prayer for Those Struggling to Repent of Sin*

Lord Jesus, grant that I may taste and see that you are good and there is no need to look elsewhere, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the one who loved me and gave himself for me, and is coming again. Amen.

### *Prayer of Commitment*

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

\* (If you are saying *Prayer for Belief* for the first time today, please share with a member of Proclamation, a church leader up front, or let the pastor know.)

## Westminster Shorter Catechism

*Last week's Q & A and passage for study/memorization:*

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q/A #77

- Q. What is required in the ninth commandment?
- A. The ninth commandment requires the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbor's good name, especially in witness-bearing.

Scripture: Zechariah 8:16

These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another; render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace;

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*This week's Q & A and passage for study/memorization:*

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q/A #78

- Q. What is forbidden in the ninth commandment?
- A. The ninth commandment forbids whatsoever is prejudicial to truth, or injurious to our own or our neighbor's good name.

Scripture: Proverbs 6:16–19

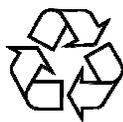
There are six things that the Lord hates,  
seven that are an abomination to him:  
haughty eyes, a lying tongue,  
and hands that shed innocent blood,  
a heart that devises wicked plans,  
feet that make haste to run to evil,  
a false witness who breathes out lies,  
and one who sows discord among brothers. ;

## PROCLAMATION MISSION STATEMENT

*Prayerfully dependent on and empowered by the Spirit in all of life, we will: joyfully praise God; sacrificially love all people in deed and truth; and faithfully proclaim Christ, to the glory of God and for the good of our neighbors.*

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1. *Book of Common Worship*, 1932



If you do not want to keep your bulletin we welcome you to place it in our basket to be recycled following the service.

## NAME TAGS

Please write your first and last name as you would like it to appear on your nametag:

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## PRAYER REQUEST

I would like the prayer team to pray for the following need or concern:

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I would like to speak with someone about this prayer request or other spiritual concern. Please have someone contact me at:

Daytime     Evening

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMENTS

We welcome your feedback and suggestions. Use the space below and place in the offering plate:

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WELCOME TO OUR  
CHURCH COMMUNITY!

We are glad to have you with us today. Please complete this card and deposit in the offering plate, or give it to an usher or greeter.

Thank you.

*Please print clearly*

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Dr.

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Children (names and ages):

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How did you hear about Proclamation?

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Check all that apply:

- I am a first-time guest at Proclamation
- I am a returning guest at Proclamation
- I am a guest from out of town
- I am visiting from another church:

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Church

- I regularly attend Proclamation Church
- I have recently moved to the area
- Please include me in the directory
- I would like to receive email updates/prayer list
- Please do not add me to any mailing lists
- Please update my information

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