



Proclamation

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 31, 2020

PRAISE GOD LOVE PEOPLE PROCLAIM CHRIST PRAY IN THE SPIRIT

A congregation of the **Presbyterian Church in America**

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▲ We invite you to stand with us, in body or in spirit.



PRELUDE

Behold Our God

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WELCOME

GOD IS HOLY

▲ DOXOLOGY

Holy, Holy, Holy!

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4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Reginald Heber, 1783–1836

NICAEA 11.12.12.10.
John B. Dykas, 1861

O Father and God of all comfort, through your Word and Holy Spirit grant us a firm, glad, and grateful faith. By it may we easily overcome this and every other trial, and at length realize that what your dear Son Jesus Christ himself says is true: "But take heart; I have overcome the world." Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

ad. Nehemiah 9:5–8

LEADER Stand up and bless the LORD your God from everlasting to everlasting.

PEOPLE **Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.**

You are the LORD, you alone.

**You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens,
with all their host,
the earth and all that is on it,
the seas and all that is in them;**

You preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you.

**You are the LORD, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of
Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham.**

You found his heart faithful before you, and made with him the covenant to give to his offspring the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Jebusite, and the Girgashite.

And you have kept your promise, for you are righteous.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PEOPLE **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.**

▲ OPENING

Behold Our God

1. Who has held the o - ceans in his hands? Who has num - bered ev - ery grain of sand?
 2. Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion an - y of his words?
 3. Who has felt the nails up - on his hands, bear - ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?

Kings and na - tions trem - ble at his voice. All cre - a - tion ris - es to re - joice.
 Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fath - om all his won - drous deeds?
 God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave. Je - sus, Sav - ior, ris - en now to reign!

Be - hold our God, seat - ed on his throne. Come let us a - dore him.

Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare. Come let us a - dore _____ him!

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————— WE HAVE SINNED —————

▲ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PEOPLE **Lord of Hosts,
You are the King who rules over all things. This is your world and we are glad
members of your kingdom. Still, we are not good at waiting on you.
We often doubt your promises and disobey your Word. Please forgive us.**

**Lord Jesus,
You are the eternal Son of God and you were born as a descendant of David.
Yet you established your kingdom through suffering as you lived, died, and
rose again for your people. Thank you for being our Savior and King.**

**Holy Spirit,
The wrong is often so strong. Help us to walk in obedience as we wait for the
coming of Jesus Christ. Give us grace as we wait for the new heavens and
new earth in which righteousness dwells forever and ever. Amen.**

▲ PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

————— JESUS RECONCILES US —————

▲ HEAR THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

Romans 5:6–11

LEADER 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. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - 'reign die!
 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up - on the tree!
 3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut his glo - ries in,
 4. Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears;
 5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;

Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I!
 A - maz - ing pit - y! Grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
 when Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man the crea - ture's sin.
 dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
 here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis all that I can do.

Isaac Watts, 1707
 alt. 1961

MARTYRDOM C.M.
 Hugh Wilson, c. 1800
 arr. Robert A. Smith, 1825

MINISTER Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

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

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

▲ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Using your personal, numbered giving envelopes makes the recording process much easier for our volunteers. You may request a set of envelopes using the blue welcome card in the pews. These requests will not be taken as a commitment.

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise;

naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:

thou my best thought — by day or by night,
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
High King of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art.

ancient Irish poem, c. 700
tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1905
vs. Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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traditional Irish melody
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▲ SCRIPTURE READING

Haggai 2:20–23

2 The word of the LORD came a second time to Haggai on the twenty-fourth day of the month, ²¹ “Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I am about to shake the heavens and the earth, ²² and to overthrow the throne of kingdoms. I am about to destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the nations, and overthrow the chariots and their riders. And the horses and their riders shall go down, every one by the sword of his brother. ²³ On that day, declares the LORD of hosts, I will take you, O Zerubbabel my servant, the son of Shealtiel, declares the LORD, and make you like a signet ring, for I have chosen you, declares the LORD of hosts.”

This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

God is the Ruler Yet

PASTORAL PRAYER

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der
 2. When thro' the woods and for - est glades I wan - der
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing,
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion

con - sid - er all the worlds thy hands have made,
 and hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees,
 sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
 and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing thun - der,
 when I look down from loft - y moun - tain gran - deur,
 that on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing,
 Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion,

thy pow'r thro' - out the u - ni - verse dis - played.
 and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 he bled and died to take a - way my sin.
 and there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art.

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee:
 how great thou art, how great thou art!

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Stuart K. Hine, 1949; alt.

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 Arr. by Stuart K. Hine, 1949

— JESUS SENDS US WITH HIS SPIRIT —

▲ CONFESSIOIN OF FAITH

ad. Colossians 1:15–20

PEOPLE **I believe Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation.
For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—
all things were created through him and for him.
And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
And he is the head of the body, the church.
He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything he might be preeminent.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.
Amen.**

1. ¹ With all my heart my thanks I'll bring, be - fore the gods your praise I'll sing,
 4. ⁷ Your out-stretched hand pre-serves my life; your right hand saves from en-'mies strife.

² I'll bow down t'ward your ho - ly place and praise you for your love and grace;
⁸ The LORD ful - fills most cer - tain - ly his ho - ly pur - pos - es for me.

for you a - bove all things, O LORD, have mag - ni - fied your name and word.
 Your mer - cy, Lord, for - ev - er stands; pre - serve the work of your own hands.

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Attr. to Dmitry Stepanovich Bortniansky, 1825

▲ SENDING

MINISTER Let us prayerfully go forth as one body, empowered by the Spirit,
to praise God, love people, and proclaim the risen Christ until he comes.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

▲ BENEDICTION

———— JESUS IS COMING FOR US ————

▲ POSTLUDE