



Hixson Presbyterian Church
August 6, 2017

Prelude

Greetings

Greg Baney

Call to Worship Psalm 9

Worship Team *Come Ye Sinners*

Prayer of Preparation & Confession

†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 forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
and crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
and crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.
Words by Edward Perronet and music by Oliver Holden

†Lord Most High

From the ends of the earth (echo),
from the depths of the sea (echo),
from the heights of the heavens (echo)
Your name be praised.

From the hearts of the weak (echo),
from the shouts of the strong; (echo)
from the lips of all people (echo), this song we raise, Lord!

Chorus: Throughout the endless ages, You will be crowned with praises, Lord most high! Exalted in every nation, Sovereign of all creation, Lord most high, be magnified!

From the salt of the earth (echo),
from the light of the world (echo),
from the hearts you redeemed (echo), one voice we raise.
To the Father of light (echo), to the Son on the throne (echo),
to the Spirit within us (echo),
one Lord we praise now. (chorus twice)

Responsive Reading From 2 Corinthians 4

†By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts,

of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.

Refrain: We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant from the grave.
By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in ev'ry corner of the earth. (Refrain)

By faith this mountain shall be moved and the pow'r of the Gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His name! (Refrain twice)

Prayer of Intercession

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Please fill out the friendship folder found at the end of the pew
Children Pre-K through rising 1st grade are
invited to Children's Church

Offertory *Grace Alone*

Sermon

"The Saints of God"
Colossians 1:1-3

Robert Johnson

†In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave he rose again.
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His, and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry, to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns, or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Why Do We Do That?

Call to Worship

When we are called to worship, either through a song or a scripture passage (Psalm 100), we are encouraged to shift our gaze from ourselves towards our Creator. One day in seven we are commanded to rest from our regular labors and focus on the Lord. He is our audience on Sunday as we gather. He is the One we serve. Sometimes we need to be reminded of that, and this is why we are called to come and worship. Typically the texts that are used in this part of the service remind us of why the Lord is deserving of worship and what our response should be.

Sermon Notes - Robert Johnson
"The Saints of God"
Colossians 1:1-3

First, Who Are the Saints?

Second, What Is A Saint?

Third, How Does One Become a Saint?

Finally, Being What We Are!

Announcements for the week of August 6, 2017

- **Wedding Shower:** Please join us for a Kitchen and Recipe Shower for Rachel Monsees today from 2:00-4:00pm. Please bring a favorite recipe written on a 3x5 note card. She is registered at Pottery Barn, Bed, Bath & Beyond, and Amazon.
- **Fall Small Group Sign-ups!** Please check the sign-up table in the foyer to sign up for a small group or home fellowship group. Even if you have been part of a group in the past, and are seeking to re-join the same group, you must still sign up. Groups begin meeting the week of August 20th. If you have questions, contact Greg Baney at gregb@hixsonpres.org.
- **Family Fest:** Families, if you're excited about the upcoming ministry year and want to know all about what HPC has planned for children and youth, then join us for lunch at Family Fest on Sunday, August 13th right after the worship service! After lunch, you can attend both a Children's Ministry meeting and a Youth Ministry meeting. We'll do each meeting twice, back to back, so everyone can attend both if they need to. Please sign up so we know how many people to expect!
- For the **50th Anniversary at HPC**, we are compiling a book of history. There will be a form on the church's website for you to fill out, or you can submit your written ideas to Virginia Garrison in person or by email, Virginia.nanna@gmail.com by August 15.
- **Come Join the Choir!** – Our worship choir is taking a break from regular rehearsal for the summer, but we will soon resume practicing on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm, starting on August 16. If you are interested in joining us please contact Josh Huff, or come to our rehearsal in August. We hope to sing with you soon.
- **Women's Retreat:** November 10-12, 2017 at Wafloy Mountain Village in Gatlinburg, TN. Ladies, college age and up, please join us for *Joy in the Midst*. Registration is now open. You may sign up and pay your deposit today at the registration table in the foyer.
- **Congregational Meeting**, August 20, for the purpose of electing church officers. Slate: Elder: Bill Pratt & Scott Bennett
Deacon: Jay Floyd, Scott Williams & Ben Parker
- **Uganda Mission Trip:** September 22nd through October 1st, 2017. If you are interested in joining us on this trip, contact Bo Wheeler at ebwheeler3@hotmail.com for more information.
- **Save the Date:** Saturday, October 28, Pancake Breakfast 8:00-9:30am, Sunday, October 29, Social time with a special guest & Anniversary Banquet & Program 4:00-7:00pm

Summer Dates

Aug 11	Youth Dynamic Duo Lock-In
Aug 13	Family Fest - Intro to Youth & Family Ministry
Aug 14	Launch of Little Seekers Day School
Aug 16	Choir Practice Resumes
Aug 20	Fall Roll Out - All Ministries Start
Aug 22	Trail Life Open House
Aug 26	Women's Brunch
Aug 26	Trail Life Hike
Aug 26-27	Trail Life Backpack Trip

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 6

9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship Service

Monday, August 7

Tuesday, August 8

6:30am Men's Bible Study
8:30am Ladies Prayer Walk

Wednesday, August 9

6:30-7:45pm Summer Prayer Study
Youth Summer Underground

Thursday, August 10

Friday, August 11

Coming up this fall... Adult Sunday School Classes

Women's Sunday School Class: Teaching Ladies for Christ (TLC)

TLC is a class designed for women of all ages in any stage of life. We will be using biblically centered books and studies to dig deeper into what it means to be a woman of God. Our goal is to connect with one another while we explore practical and applicable ideas and content that we can use daily in our lives to help continue to grow into women who follow Christ. **August 20 – December 31st** (Taught by Leigh Anne Grant)

The End of the Ages: The Book of Revelation

Ever wondered about the return of Christ? What are we to believe concerning the "rapture", the Anti-Christ, and the Battle of Armageddon? Are we living in the "end times"? What is the book of Revelation all about, and can it be practically used in the life of a believer today? If you have ever asked these questions, you are not alone. Come join us as we explore together this amazing, and complex book. **August 20 – December 31st** (Taught by Floyd Richardson).

Foundations of Faith

This class explores the basic elements of the Christian faith, and is a great resource for those seeking to learn more about what it means to be a Christian, a member of the colony of heaven. We will explore such topics as the existence of God, the person of and work of Christ and the Holy Spirit. How can you know you are a Christian, and is church attendance important? Please join us for this exciting and stimulating study **August 20 – October 8th** (Taught by Hutchings, Carver, Siren and Huff)

Using Your Gifts: Church and Your Unique Personality!

Have you ever wondered how God has uniquely created you and gifted you and what role your gifts play in the life of the church? Have you been perplexed by the differences in people and would like to identify the specific strengths and weaknesses associated with different personalities? Do you know there are practical things we can do to learn more about ourselves and our role in the life of God's people? Come discover some practical tools for discovering your unique gifts and how an awareness of your personality profile can aid in spiritual growth and development! **October 15th – December 31st** (Taught by Greg Baney)

Contributions Report

General:	July 30, 2017	Missions:	July 30, 2017
Contributions	11,928.00	Contributions	1,295.00
Budget	13,515.00	Budget	1,828.00
Month to Date		Month to Date	
Contributions	68,001.00	Contributions	7,240.00
Budget	67,575.00	Budget	9,140.00
Building Fund Weekly	3,395	Month to Date	21,912
Weekly Goal	5,303	Monthly Goal	21,212

Wednesday Night Bible Study 6:30-7:45 Room M-1

Prayer – RC Sproul Led by Robert & Greg

Aug 9 Session 5 The Lord's Prayer, Part 2
16 Session 6 Providence & Prayer - If God is Sovereign, Why Pray?