



New Covenant

Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship Guide – The Lord’s Day, September 6, 2020

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

WE ARE GLAD YOU’VE COME TO WORSHIP THE LIVING AND TRUE GOD WITH US. WE WANT TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING TO KNOW YOU BETTER. IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE FILL OUT A VISITOR CARD. MAY THE LOVE OF CHRIST FILL YOUR HEART THIS WEEK AS YOU MEDITATE ON HIS DEATH FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS ON THE CROSS AND IN THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MEDITATION VERSE

For all the promises of God find their Yes in Him. That is why it is through Him that we utter our Amen to God for His glory. And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put His seal on us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

2 Corinthians 1:20-22

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117:1-2

“Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!”

THE INVOCATION

(† Congregation stands at various parts of the service marked with the † sign.)

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

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Justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.
Rom. 3:24

1. Je - sus, thy blood and righ - teous - ness my beau - ty
2. Bold shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught
3. When from the dust of death I rise to claim my
4. Je - sus, be end - less praise to thee, whose bound - less
5. O let the dead now hear thy voice; now bid thy

are, my glo - rious dress; 'midst flam - ing worlds, in
to my charge shall lay? Ful - ly ab - solved through
• man - sion in the skies, ev'n then this shall be
mer - cy hath for me— for me a full a -
ban - ished ones re - joice; their beau - ty this, their

these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
• all my plea, Je - sus hath lived, hath died, for me.
tone - ment made, an ev - er - last - ing ran - som paid.
glo - rious dress, Je - sus, thy blood and righ - teous - ness.

LAW OF GOD

JAMES 4:11-12

¹¹ "Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. ¹² There is only one lawgiver and judge, He who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?"

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN (Silent)

"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light."

† HYMN OF PARDON

OUR GREAT GOD

Eternal God, unchanging,
Mysterious and unknown;
Your boundless love, unfailing,
In grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight
Around Your glorious throne;
They raise their voices day and night
In praise to You alone!

Chorus:

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!
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Lord, we are weak and frail
Helpless in the storm;
Surround us with Your angels
Hold us in Your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy,
His pleasure is our harm.
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee
Before our sovereign God. (*Chorus*)

Let every creature in the sea
And every flying bird,
Let every mountain, every field,
And valley of the earth,
Let all the moons and all the stars
In all the universe
Sing praises to the living God
Who rules them by His Word. (*Chorus*)

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

NICENE CREED

"I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I 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 worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen."

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

LUKE 12:33-34

"Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

† THE OFFERTORY/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.

OLD TESTAMENT SERMON TEXT

HABAKKUK 1:1-II

¹ The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. ² O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³ Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.

⁵ "Look among the nations, and see; wonder and be astounded. For I am doing a work in your days that you would not believe if told. ⁶ For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, who march through the breadth of the earth, to seize dwellings not their own. ⁷ They are dreaded and fearsome; their justice and dignity go forth from themselves. ⁸ Their horses are swifter than leopards, more fierce than the evening wolves; their horsemen press proudly on. Their horsemen come from afar; they fly like an eagle swift to devour. ⁹ They all come for violence, all their faces forward. They gather captives like sand. ¹⁰ At kings they scoff, and at rulers they laugh. They laugh at every fortress, for they pile up earth and take it. ¹¹ Then they sweep by like the wind and go on, guilty men, whose own might is their god!"

SERMON

HABAKKUK'S FIRST COMPLAINT AND YAHWEH'S ANSWER
REV. DAVID SENTERS

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

BE STILL, MY SOUL
(*Trinity Hymnal* #689)

- 1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
to guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.
- 3 Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,
then shall you better know his love, his heart,
who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.
Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay
from his own fullness all he takes away.
- 4 Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

† BENEDICTION

COLOSSIANS 4:18

"Grace be with you.."

POSTLUDE