

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Let us stand as the Triune God, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now calls His Church into His presence to worship Him. I ask you this morning:

Grace Presbyterian Church, who is He, in Whose Name we are gathered to worship today?

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He is “Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to

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death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the Name that is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:5-11

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Praise the LORD.

Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise in the assembly of His faithful people. Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

Psalm 149:1-2

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Opening Prayer

(In Unison)

Please stand, if you are able.

Our Father and our God, we gather together this morning on Your command. We worship You on this day You set aside for Your church to rest in Christ our Savior, be strengthened in our faith, and bring praises to You, our Rock and our Redeemer. It is good for us to praise You Lord, and to make music to Your Name,

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O most High; to proclaim Your love in the morning and Your faithfulness at night. For You make us glad by Your deeds, O Lord; We sing for joy at the works of Your hands. Receive us in Your presence Lord for the sake of the perfect merits of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, in whose Name we pray. Amen.

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Hymn 33

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Please stand, if you are able.

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes.
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious--Thy great Name we praise.

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Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

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To all, life Thou givest - to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest - the true life of all.
Thy wisdom so boundless, Thy mercy so free,
Eternal Thy goodness for naught changeth Thee.

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Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render--O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

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**GOD CALLS US TO CONFESS,
TO REPENT AND TO RECONCILE**

God's Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

We Pray and Confess Our Sin
(Prayer led by Pastor)

God's Assurance to His Repentant People

Isaiah 53:1-11

Hymn 311
(Verses 1,2)

“Hallelujah, What a Savior!”

Please stand, if you are able.

"Man of Sorrows!" what a Name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim!
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood -
Sealed my pardon with His blood;
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

(End)

We Profess Our Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 1

Please stand, if you are able.

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

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Answer

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way

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Answer

that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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We Worship God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will
fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

Thanking God for His Provision

(Ruling Elder)

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

Pastoral Prayer

(Led by Pastor)

Sing

“Speak O Lord”

Please stand, if you are able.

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth; plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

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Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

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Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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**THE LORD SPEAKS TO US
THROUGH HIS WORD AND SACRAMENT**

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Sermon

“Our Spiritual Rock”

Pastor Theo van Blerk

COMMUNION

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND
TO GOD'S WORD AND SACRAMENT**

Prayer

SPECIAL COLLECTION:
For Mercy Ministry

Hymn 311

(Verses 3-5)

“Hallelujah, What a Savior”

Please stand, if you are able.

Guilty, vile and helpless we,
Spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

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Lifted up was He to die,
"It is finished," was His cry;
Now in heav'n exalted high:
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

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When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing,
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

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THE LORD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

Please stand, if you are able.

The Blessing of God's People

Now may the God of peace, Who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with every good thing to do His will, and may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever.

Hebrews 13:20-21

Please stand, if you are able.

Leader: “*Christ is Risen!*”

All: “*He is Risen Indeed!*”