

Enter His gates with thanksgiving;  
go into His courts with praise.  
Psalm 100:4

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117

Praise the LORD, all you nations. Praise Him, all you people of the earth. For His unending love for us is powerful; the LORD's faithfulness endures forever. Praise the LORD!

### ✠For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth  
For the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies;

*Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise.*

For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and lower,  
Sun and moon and stars of light:

For the joy of ear and eye;  
For the heart and mind's delight;  
For the mystic harmony;  
Linking sense to sound and sight:

For the joy of human love,  
Brother, sister, parent, child;  
Friends on earth and friends above;  
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

For each perfect gift of Thine,  
To our race so freely given;  
Graces human and divine,  
Flowers of earth and buds of Heaven:

### ✠INVOCATION~PRAYER

✠Those who are able, please stand.

### CONFESSION & PARDON

Psalm 38:18, 21  
Romans 6:23

**People:** I confess my sins; I am deeply sorry for what I have done. Do not abandon me, O LORD. Do not stand at a distance, my God.

**Leader:** *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.*

### *And Can It Be*

And can it be that I should gain  
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! how can it be  
That thou, my God, should die for me?

*Amazing love! how can it be  
That thou, my God, should die for me!*

'Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies!  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine!  
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,  
Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace;  
Humbled Himself, so great His love,  
And bled for all His chosen race;  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night.  
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray:  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light!  
My chains fell off, my heart was free;  
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living head,

And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

### AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism (Q&A 12)

**Leader:** *What did God's providence specifically do for man whom He created?*

**People:** After the creation God made a covenant with man to give him life, if he perfectly obeyed; God told him not to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil or he would die.

### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### ✠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.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry 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 pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

✠READING OF THE WORD 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

### EXPOSITION OF THE WORD

Art Batzig

*What Is the New Covenant?*

### ✠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.

### ✠Glorious Day

One day when heaven was filled with His praises,  
One day when sin was as black as could be,  
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,  
Dwelt among men; my example is He.  
The Word became flesh,  
And the Light shined among us,  
His glory revealed.

*Living, He loved me, dying, He saved me,  
Buried, He carried my sins far away;  
Rising, He justified freely, forever:  
One day He's coming;  
Oh, glorious day! Oh, glorious day!*

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain,  
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree;  
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,  
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He.  
The hands that healed nations,  
Stretched out on a tree.  
He took the nails for me. (Chorus)

Continued...

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,  
One day the stone rolled away from the door;  
Then He arose, over death He had conquered,  
Now is ascended, my Lord evermore.  
Death could not hold Him.  
The grave could not keep Him from rising again.

*Living, He loved me, dying, He saved me.*  
*Buried, He carried my sins far away.*  
*Rising, He justified freely, forever:*  
*One day He's coming.*  
*Oh, glorious day! Oh, glorious day!*  
*Glorious day!*

(Bridge)  
One day the trumpet will sound for His coming!  
One day, the skies with His glory will shine!  
Wonderful day, my beloved ones bringing!  
My Savior, Jesus, is mine!

*Living, He loved me, dying, He saved me,*  
*Buried, He carried my sins far away;*  
*Rising, He justified freely, forever:*  
*One day He's coming.*  
*Oh, glorious day! Oh, glorious day!*  
*Glorious day! Oh, glorious day!*

## BENEDICTION

Paraments: Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and points us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history. Green represents a time for spiritual growth.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

A PDF of the bulletin is available on the website, [www.blueridgepres.com](http://www.blueridgepres.com), at the bottom of the web page.

Meal Train for the Rodney Meeks' Family. Rodney had major surgery and a Meal Train has been setup for anyone interested in helping them at the following address:  
<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/yv26ne>

9:30 a.m. Sanctuary Sunday School Class. We have begun a new series from Ligonier Ministries called, *Marks of a Healthy Church*. Jesus established the church as the natural arena for our spiritual growth, and our health depends on it. In this series, Dr. Mark Dever and Dr. Jonathan Leeman survey the marks of a healthy church, where we are called to display God's glorious character in unity, holiness, and love.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will resume at a later time.

Miracle Hill Overcomers: Please remember to bring coffee and dry coffee supplies for the Overcomers. There is a marked box in the kitchen. Thank you for your generosity.

Greer Community Ministries: For the month of October and November we are collecting canned vegetables and pet food.

Tuesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m. each Tuesday. See Tom Pratt for details.

The Men's Fellowship Breakfast: Meets Saturday morning, November 13 at 8:00 a.m. here at the church.

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# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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22<sup>TH</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021

10:30 a.m.



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