

CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 1:46-50

May our souls magnify the Lord, and may our spirits rejoice in God our Savior, for He who is mighty has done great things. Holy is His name and His mercy is for those who fear Him; from generation to generation.

✠*All Praise to God*

All praise to God, who reigns above,
The God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love,
The God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul He fills,
The God who every sorrow stills,
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made
His gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning dawn or evening shade
His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
Within the kingdom of His might,
Lo, all is just and all is right,
To God all praise and glory!

I cried to Him in time of need:
Lord God, O, hear my calling!
For death He gave me life indeed
And kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be;
O thank Him, thank our God, with me,
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not His flock,
His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock,
Their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand
He leads His own, His chosen band,
To God all praise and glory!

Ye who confess Christ's holy name,
To God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's power proclaim,

✠Those who are able, please stand.

To God give praise and glory!
All idols under foot be trod,
The Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

Then come before His presence now
And banish fear and sadness;
To your Redeemer pay your vow
And sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell,
The Lord, my God, did all things well,
To God all praise and glory!

✠INVOCATION

CONFESSION & PARDON

Daniel 9:4-5
Psalm 32:1-2

People: O Lord, the great and awesome God!
We have sinned and done wrong. We have rebelled against you and scorned your commands.

Leader: *Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the one against whom, the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.*

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one,
Lay down your head upon My breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that lifegiving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s Light;
Look unto Me, your morn shall rise,
And all your day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of life I’ll walk,
Till trav’ling days are done.

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism (Q&A 6)

Leader: *How many persons are in the one God?*

People: Three. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are one God, the same in substance and equal in power and glory.

PASTORAL PRAYER

✠*All I Have Is Christ*

I once was lost in darkest night,
Yet thought I knew the way;
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will,
And if You had not loved me first,
I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hellbound race,
Indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross.
And I beheld God’s love displayed:
You suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me;
Now all I know is grace.

*Hallelujah, all I have is Christ!
Hallelujah, Jesus is my life!*

Now Lord, I would be Yours alone,
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me.

Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose,
And let my song forever be:
”My only boast is You!”

✠READING OF THE WORD

Psalm 16

EXPOSITION OF THE WORD

Rev. Bud Griffith

For Our Assurance: The Prophecy of the Resurrection

✠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.

✠*His Mercy Is More*

What love could remember
No wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing,
He counts not their sum;
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more!

*Praise the Lord!
His mercy is more;
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more!*

What patience would wait
As we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender,
Is calling us home;
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more!

What riches of kindness
He lavished on us?
His blood was the payment,
His life was the cost;
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more!

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Cleaning! Church Work Day: Saturday April 8 from 8:00 to about 11:30. A Sign-Up sheet is in the back of the church (so we know how many are coming to breakfast) We will be sprucing up the church both inside and out so the more we have the sooner we will finish up and have a super clean church for Easter Sunday.

Congregational Meeting on Sunday April 16 after the Morning Worship Service. The purpose of the meeting is to present the budget to the congregation. You will have an opportunity to vote to support the budget at this meeting. The deacons will also give us a financial update at this time.

Women's Bible Study: Monday at 10 a.m. Study is held 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. "In View of God's Mercies - Romans". This is a 9 lesson video series. Please contact Patty Batzig of Deb Redding with questions.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 12 week study on "The Sermon on the Mount" by Sinclair Ferguson. See Doug Redding if you have any questions.

The Church Directory app is available for us stay in touch with each other and to pray for each other as well.

Tuesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m. See Deon Louw for details.

The next Men's Fellowship Breakfast at the church will be May 13, 8:00 a.m.

Greer Community Ministries: We are collecting canned protein (chicken, tuna fish, etc.) for all of 2023.

Miracle Hill Overcomers: Coffee and coffee supplies. Marked box in kitchen.

Opportunities for worship, edification and fellowship:

- Sunday morning worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 a.m.
- Ladies Bible Study, meets the first and third Monday mornings of the month at the church.
- Tuesday morning Bible Study and fellowship meets the first 3 Tuesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. and on the 4th Tuesday there is a fellowship breakfast.
- Tuesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m. here at the church.
- Men's Breakfast meets the 2nd Saturday of each month here at the church at 8:00

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

4th Sunday in Lent
March 19, 2023
10:30 a.m.



Liturgical Calendar: The season of Lent is the forty days from Ash Wednesday to Easter. It's a time to focus on our union with Christ's death and resurrection by placing an emphasis not only on God's gift of forgiveness (justification), but also on the gift of a new life in Christ and the Holy Spirit (sanctification).



Liturgical Colors: Paraments have an instructional purpose and points us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history. Purple represents the royalty and suffering of Christ

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