

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:24, 28-29

This is the day the LORD has made. You are my God, and I will praise You! You are my God, and I will exalt You! Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! His faithful love endures forever.

✠*A Mighty Fortress*

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo, his doom is sure:
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth.

✠Those who are able, please stand.

Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still:
His kingdom is forever.

✠INVOCATION

CONFESSION & PARDON

Daniel 9:18

Psalm 86:5

People: O my God, lean down and listen to me. Open Your eyes and see our despair. We make this plea, not because we deserve help, but because of Your great mercy.

Leader: *O Lord, You are so good, so ready to forgive, so full of unfailing love for all who ask for Your help.*

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

*Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain:
He washed it white as snow.*

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim:
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat.

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism (Q&A 7)

Leader: *What are the decrees of God?*

People: The decrees of God are His eternal plan based on the purpose of His will, by which, for His own glory, He has foreordained everything that happens.

PASTORAL PRAYER

✠*My Worth Is Not in What I Owe*

My worth is not in what I own;
Not in the strength of flesh and bone.
But in the costly wounds of love
At the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name;
In win or lose, in pride or shame.
But in the blood of Christ that flowed
At the cross.

*I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest Treasure,
Wellspring of my soul.
I will trust in Him, no other;
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die;
Fame, youth and beauty hurry by.
But life eternal calls to us
At the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might,
Or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ
At the cross. (Refrain)

Two wonders here that I confess:
My worth and my unworthiness.
My value fixed; my ransom paid
At the cross. (Refrain)

✠READING OF THE WORD

EXPOSITION OF THE WORD

Rev. Carlos Salinas

Unending Praise (Romans 16:25-27)

✠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.

✠*Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound;
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Savior has ransomed me;
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, Amazing grace!*

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine,
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine,
You are forever mine.

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Note!!! We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper on Easter Sunday, April 9.

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

5th Sunday in Lent
March 26, 2023
10:30 a.m.



Blue Ridge Presbyterian Church
2094 Hwy 101 North, Greer, SC 29651
Mail: PO Box 893, Greer, SC 29652
www.blueridgepres.com

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