



10:45 service + February 19, 2017



Order of Worship

Liturgist is Rev. Dr. Mike Farley

STANDING (IF ABLE)

God calls us to worship

from Psalm 106:1, 48

Liturgist: Praise the LORD!

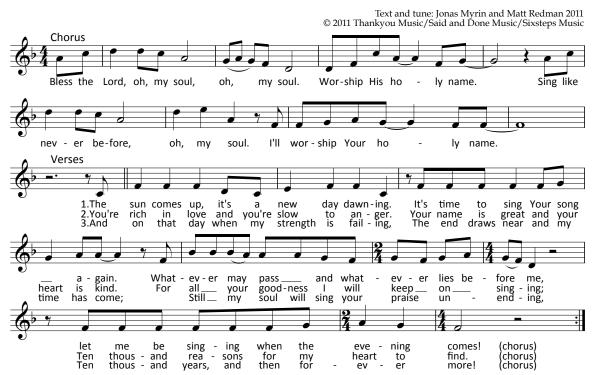
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,

from everlasting to everlasting!

We praise God

10,000 Reasons



We pray for God to help us worship

Liturgist: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

He died for us that we might live for him.

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God calls us to confess our sin

from Isaiah 55:6-7

Liturgist: Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked

forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts. Return to the Lord, that he may

have compassion on us, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

We confess our sin

All (sing): stanzas 1 and 2 of "Psalm 130" (next page)

Liturgist: Our Father in heaven,

you have given us your abundant life and love in Christ.

All: But we often wander from your way,

waste your gifts, and forget your love.

Instead of bearing spiritual fruit in generous justice and mercy,

we are too often barren and fruitless by seeking life apart from Christ. Our idols of success and security lead us into lying and violence. Our idols of pride and power

oppress the poor and the powerless.

We become slaves of greed and gluttony,

but they never save or satisfy.

Lord, have mercy on us.

(silent prayers of confession)

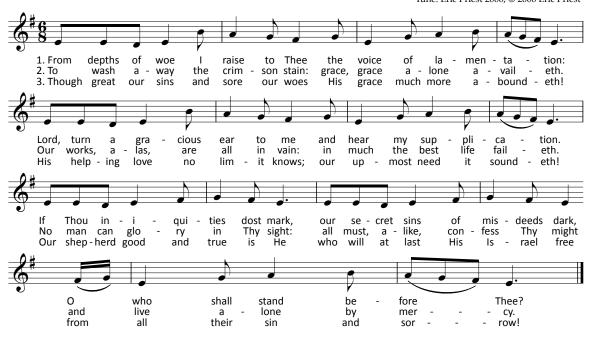
Liturgist: Gracious Father, forgive us for pulling away from you and rejecting your gifts of grace and

your holy mission. Renew us and lead us by your Holy Spirit so that we may abide in Christ, and be filled with the life and love of Christ, to bear the fruit of justice and mercy

in Christ for the life of a dying world.

All (sing): stanza 3 of "Psalm 130" (next page)

Text: Martin Luther 1523, tr. Richard Massie 1854, alt. 1961 Tune: Eric Priest 2006, © 2006 Eric Priest



STANDING (IF ABLE)

God declares our forgiveness

from Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8

Liturgist: If the Lord should hold our sins against us, no one could stand.

But with the Lord there is forgiveness, that he may be feared.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

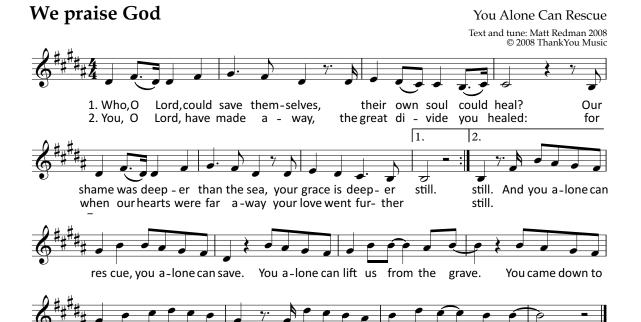
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is plentiful redemption.

And he will redeem you from all your sins.

For all who have turned from sin in sorrow and look to God for mercy, this is God's gift. In Jesus Christ, God loves you, God forgives you, God accepts you, and God rejoices over you as beloved daughters and sons.

All: Hallelujah, Amen!



To you a lone be longs the high - est praise.

We greet one another with the peace of Christ

find us, led us out of death.

God instructs us in scripture reading

Isaiah 5 (pew Bible pp. 569-571)

God instructs us in preaching

"The Garden of the Lord" Rev. Dr. Clay Smith

Sermon notes:

Text: trans. David J. Diephouse, 1986 © 2007, CRC Publications
Tune: Traditional English melody

Prior to singing, we will take a moment of silence to reflect and pray.



STANDING (IF ABLE)

We pray for the church and the world

Liturgist: (prayers for the church and the world)

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

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God feeds us at his table

Central Presbyterian welcomes all Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel to receive Holy Communion with us. If you are not ready to receive communion, you may simply pass the elements by. We also urge you to meditate on one of the prayers below.

Bread: The bread is gluten-free.

Eating and drinking: Please eat and drink as you receive the bread and the cup when you are ready. We will not hold the elements and wait to eat until all have been served.

Prayer for those searching: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Help me to be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of new belief: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared believe, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Music for Communion: There Is A Fountain (page 8)

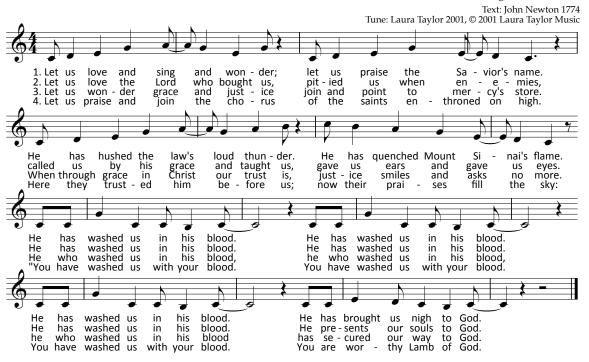
Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder (page 9)

There Is A Fountain

Text: William Cowper 1772 Tune: Lowell Mason 1830



Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

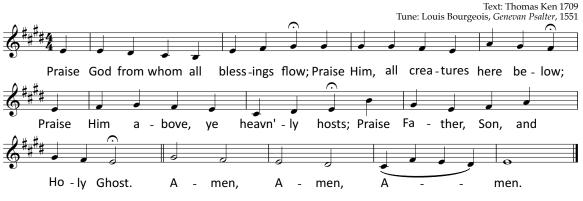


God blesses us and sends us out

Pastor: And all God's people said...

All: Hallelujah! Amen.

Doxology: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow



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