

10:45 service + July 10, 2016



Order of Worship

Liturgist is Rev. Todd Denholm

We hear testimony of God's mission

Luke and Julie Brouwer HOPE Community Project

STANDING (IF ABLE)

God calls us to worship

from Psalm 33:1, 8, 18-19

Liturgist: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!

Let all the earth fear the Lord;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

All: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,

on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death.



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 Psalm 111:10; Proverbs 28:13-14

Liturgist: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Blessed is the one who fears the Lord always,

but whoever hardens his heart will fall into calamity. Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

We confess our sin

Liturgist: Our faithful Father, you call us to follow your word in reverence

because you have shown yourself faithful.

All: But our faith withers when we count the cost of serving you.

We revere temporary comfort and approval more than your eternal mission and glory.

Liturgist: Lord Jesus, you trusted the Father so completely that you suffered for our sake.

All: But we cower before the world's opposition.

We often compromise with evil in silence

rather than bear witness boldly in words and deeds of love.

Lord, have mercy on us.

(silent prayers of confession)

Liturgist: Gracious Father,

we freely confess our faithless fear and half-hearted devotion,

and we cry out to you for mercy.

Fill us with courage and peace from your Spirit,

so that we will always persevere in bold faith and unconquered hope.

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!

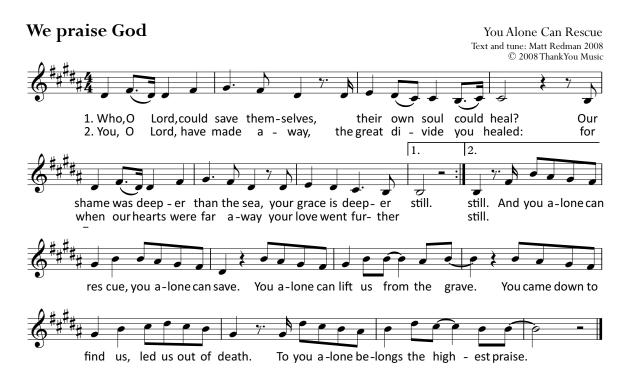
For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

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!



We greet one another with the peace of Christ

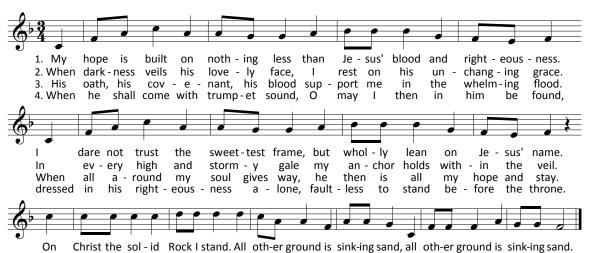
God instructs us in preaching

"By Faith: Noah" Rev. Bob Hopper

We offer ourselves in gifts and song

The Solid Rock Text: Edward Mote 1834 Tune: William B. Bradbury 1863

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.

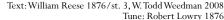
Eating and drinking: Please eat and drink as you receive the bread and the cup when you are ready. We will not hold the elements and wait to eat until all have been served.

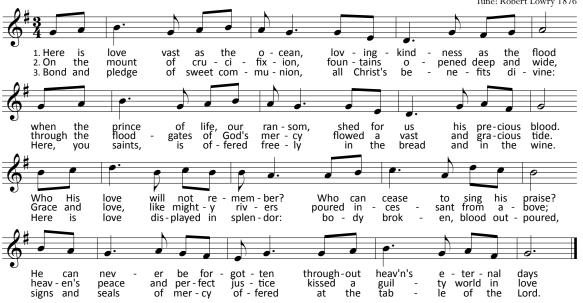
Prayer for those searching: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Help me to be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding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

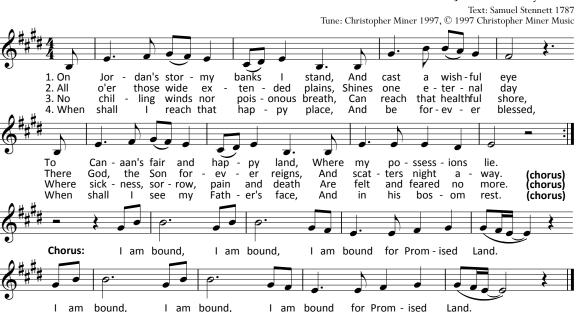
Music for communion: "Here Is Love" (page 6)

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks" (page 6)



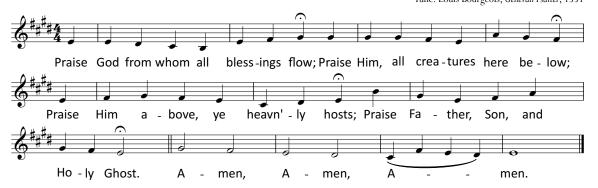


On Jordan's Stormy Banks



Doxology: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Text: Thomas Ken 1709 Tune: Louis Bourgeois, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551



God blesses us and sends us out

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

All: Hallelujah! Amen.

Sermon discussion questions are available in paper copies at the Hanley Road entrance, on the table outside the Choir Room, and online at www.centralpres.com as sermon "Notes."

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