

Evening Worship | 6:00 p.m.

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Triune God calls his church to worship him

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

*HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King" Brent Milligan, David Crowder, St. Francis of Assisi, William Henry Draper

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing.
O praise him, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him!
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along.
O praise him, alleluia! Thou rising moon in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening find a voice, O praise him, O praise him!
Alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless and worship him in humbleness. O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit three in One, O praise him, O praise him!

Alleluia, alleluia!

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 103:1-5

Judah Hoobler page 502, pew Bible

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Acknowledging our sins before our Holy God and seeking his forgiveness in Christ

Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory. You have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit, yet we fail to return your love with all our heart. Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others. When we do not truly trust and obey you, we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry. In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world. Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross, by your Spirit and through your word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy. All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord's declaration of our freedom from the guilt of sin and punishment of God's Law

And can it be that I should gain an interest 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 shouldst die for me.

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He left his Father's throne above, so free so infinite his grace, Emptied himself of all but love! And bled for Adam's helpless 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 quickening 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.

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"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Billy Foote

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken, I'm accepted, you were condemned; I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me Because you died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be
That You my King would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor you; in all I do I honor you.

You are my King, you are my King; Jesus, you are my King; Jesus you are my King.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 2:1-12

page 837, pew Bible

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Asking God's Spirit to illumine our hearts and minds for the understanding and application of his Word

SERMON

"A Gracious Declaration"

7th in a series on the Gospel of Mark

Dr. Robert Norris

*HYMN

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Robert Lowry, Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook; arr. Adam Kunsberg

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me;
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see him there, who made an end of all my sin; Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.

For God the just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me;

To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace;
One with himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God;
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*DECLARATION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO TABLE
WORDS OF INSTITUTION
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
SHARING OF THE SUPPER
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Benediction"

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, And the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit Keep our hearts and minds within his love.

And to him be praise for his glorious reign; From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven We declare the name of the Lamb once slain— Christ eternal, the King of Kings.

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*BENEDICTION

Pronouncing God's blessing on his people

POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing as able

Please alert your usher ahead of time if you need a gluten-free communion wafer.

If you have an offering, please leave it in the plate at the back of the Sanctuary.

Hearing enhancement units are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for assistance.

Deacons provide assistance and prayer support to those in our congregation facing difficult circumstances. Contact an individual deacon directly or call the deacons' phone line at 301-320-3600, x223.

The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. locally on WAVA 105.1 FM and streaming at wava.com.

We welcome children in our worship service this evening.

Room 210, off lower Halverson Hall, is open for parents of young children.

A live feed of the service is available as you care for your children.

If you have to leave the service, feel free to do so, but please come back.

As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 22

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

"God's Faithfulness to the Faithless" Genesis 26:34–28:9 Rev. Thomas Myrick

A deacons' offering will be received at all morning services on July 22.

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m. / Upper Room

"God's Gracious Storms" Jonah 1:1–17 Mr. David Frerichs

Celebrating Vacation Bible School

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

Annual Budget \$ 4,864,876 Year to Date Received \$ 2,106,046