

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

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

*HYMN

“Behold Our God”

Jonathan Ryan, Meghan Baird,
Stephen Altrogge, Ryan Baird

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

*Behold our God, seated on his throne,
Come, let us adore him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come, let us adore him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

(Men) You will reign forever. (4x)
(Women) Let your glory fill the earth. (4x)

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:5–8

Leslie Kiess
page 616, pew Bible

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before you, my God and Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as you, my Lord and God, know well, and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*HYMNS OF PREPARATION

“Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa,
Michael Bleecker

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, in the dawning of the King.
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come.
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, he the perfect Son of Man.
In his living, in his suffering never trace, nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man.
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold.
Bringing many sons to glory; grace unmeasured, love untold.
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, slain by death, the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain him. Praise the Lord, he is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope.
Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

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“Speak O Lord”

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy Word;
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.
Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see,
Your majestic love and authority. Words of power that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds, help us grasp the heights of your plans for us;
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us;
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory.

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 11:12–33

page 847–848, pew Bible

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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

SERMON

“The Cursed Tree and Cleansed Temple”
44th in a series on the Gospel of Mark

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“The Gospel Song”

Bob Kaufflin, Drew Jones

Holy God, in love, became perfect man to bear my blame.
On the cross he took my sin.
By his death I live again.

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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 THE 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.*

May the peace which passes understanding, and this grace which makes us what we are,
And this fellowship of his communion make us one in spirit and in heart.

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*BENEDICTION

Pronouncing God's blessing on his people

POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing as able*

If you require a gluten-free wafer, please ask when taking communion.

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.

To listen to a recording of the morning worship service, contact sundayservice@4thpres.org.

*We warmly welcome children of all ages in our worship service this evening.
Childcare is available for young children, ages infant through Pre-K, in Room 110.*

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 23

MORNING SERVICE

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

"Morning Song"

Psalm 3

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Christ the Controversialist"

Mark 12:1-12

Dr. Robert Norris

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be celebrated.*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

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