

~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~
Sunday, September 27, 2020, 9:30 AM

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” – Acts 2:42*

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 5

Leader: Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray.

People: O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.

Leader: For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you. The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.

People: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house. I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn

Speak, O Lord

- 1 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.

- 2 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.

- 3 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, 'til your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Presentation of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

We will not be passing an offering plate. Please present your tithes and offerings to the Lord by mailing them to:

Valley Presbyterian Church,
10807 Falls Road, P.O. Box 285,
Brooklandville, MD 21022

Or by giving online at <https://valleypca.org/giving/>

Prayer of Confession

From Deut. 5:9

Lord, we know that you are a jealous God. You punish the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate you. Forgive us for provoking your jealousy and send the Holy Spirit into our hearts that we might offer lives, which are pleasing to you. We are thankful that even though you are a jealous God, you desire to shower your grace on us, and you tell us that you show love to a thousand generations who love you. We praise you, Lord, that jealousy does not have the final say, but your grace poured out in Jesus has spoken the final word. [Silent Confession] Amen!

Declaration of Pardon

Scripture Reading

Acts 22:22-23:11

Sermon

God Will Provide

Pastor Mark Tippin

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who is 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, Amen!

Prayer Requests for this Week

Spend time praying for the needs in our congregation and world:

- Comfort for Buck and Carol and family with the passing of Buck's sister, Nancy.
- Gerald and Eileen, health issues.
- Sharon F., surgery recovery and ongoing health issues.
- Praise for the positive health report for Pam P.
- Daniel F., health issues while on Marine Reserve Duty.
- Youth Group, for spiritual growth and for Nathan as he leads.
- Vision Team, for wisdom.
- Upcoming movie nights outreach.

- Those in our community who are lost and need to know the risen Savior.
- Pray for healing of the racial tensions and anger in our society.
- The spiritual and financial needs of our sister congregations.
- People who are suffering or have relatives or friends suffering.
- Medical providers and first responders who are dealing with long hours, difficult situations, and risk to themselves.
- People who are now unable to work or are suffering from fear and anxiety during these times. Pray that God would provide.
- The elderly and those who live alone.
- That God would provide for His church.

Families of the Week:

Mr. and Mrs. Walt W. (Gay)
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. (Nan)
 (children Sophia, Isabella)

Hymn

Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

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1 Jesus! What a friend for sinners!
 Jesus! Lover of my soul;
 Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
 He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
 Hallelujah! What a Friend!
 Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
 He is with me to the end.

2 Jesus! What a strength in weakness!
 Let me hide myself in him;
 Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
 He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. *[Refrain]*

- 3 Jesus! What a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul. *[Refrain]*
- 4 Jesus! What a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
He, my pilot, hears my cry. *[Refrain]*
- 5 Jesus! I do now receive him,
More than all in him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am his, and he is mine. *[Refrain]*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

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Please join us this Sunday evening at 7:00 PM as we continue a new Bible study series on the book of Philippians over Zoom. You can join through your computer or smart phone, or you can dial in with a regular phone.