

Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA)

The Lord's Day

August 6, 2023

Order of Worship

— GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM —

*Call to Worship

Psalm 106:1, 47-48

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

All: Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Leader: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

All: And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the LORD!

— WE RESPOND WITH SINGING & PRAYER —

*Hymn of Praise

"Shout to the Lord"

Darlene Zschech

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.; let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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*Prayers of Adoration (followed by The Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

— GOD CALLS US TO REPENT —

*Call to Confession

Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

— RESPOND IN CORPORATE & INDIVIDUAL REPENTANCE —

Prayer of Confession

Almighty Lord, we confess our complacent lives that do not challenge the world. We run to save our lives while others lose their lives for following Christ. We cower in the face of tribulation and danger, and we refuse to suffer poverty or slander for the sake of your name. Almighty One, help us to walk in the way of our Savior, to share in his sufferings unto death that we might also share in his crown of life in our resurrection from the dead.

Silent Prayers of Confession

— GOD ANNOUNCES FORGIVENESS —

Words of Encouragement

1 John 2:1b-2

But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

— WE RESPOND IN ACTS OF WORSHIP —

***Song of Renewal**

“Behold Our God”

Baird, Baird, Baird, and Altrogge

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

Chorus Behold our God,
Seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King,
Nothing can compare.
Come, let us adore Him!

2 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?

Chorus Behold our God,
Seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King,
Nothing can compare.
Come, let us adore Him!

3 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!

Chorus Behold our God,
Seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King,
Nothing can compare.
Come, let us adore Him!

Refrain

Men: *You will reign forever. (7x)*

Women (echo): *(Let Your glory fill the earth.)*

Chorus Behold our God,
Seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King,
Nothing can compare.
Come, let us adore Him!

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*Confession 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 Ghost,¹ 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 on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick² and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic³ Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

traditional English wording. ¹'Ghost' means 'Spirit'; ²'quick' means 'living/alive'; ³'catholic' means 'universal'; that is, the Christian Church made up of all believers throughout history.

Announcements

Tithes & Offerings Encouragement

An offering box is located by the entrance. You may also give to the church via the Donate page on our website, by setting up automatic withdrawal from your bank, or by mailing a check to the church. We are thankful to God for your generosity.

Prayers of Intercession

*Please stand if you are able.

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— GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD & SACRAMENT —

Sermon

“The Fulfillment of Glorious Hope”

Rev. Jim Richter

Revelation 19:4-9 & 21:1-8, 22-27

Meditation & Prayer

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Grape juice in the outer ring; wine in the inner ring. The bread is gluten-free.

— WE RESPOND TO GOD’S PROVISION —

***Hymn of Response**

“When We All Get to Heaven”

1 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright and blessed He’ll prepare for us a place.	Refrain When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, We’ll sing and shout the victory.
2 While we walk the pilgrim pathway Clouds will overspread the sky; But when trav’ling days are over, Not a shadow, not a sigh.	Refrain When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, We’ll sing and shout the victory.
3 Let us then be true and faithful, Trusting, serving every day; Just one glimpse of Him in glory Will the toils of life repay.	Refrain When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, We’ll sing and shout the victory.
4 Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we’ll behold; Soon the pearly gates will open, We shall tread the streets of gold.	Refrain When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, We’ll sing and shout the victory.

— GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US —

***Benediction**

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SERMON NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS – THIS WEEK & BEYOND

Guest Preacher Today is...Rev. Jim Richter. Jim served 37 years as a PCA pastor, the last 16 years as pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Johnson City, TN. He retired at the end of 2018, and he and his wife Linda now live on Lookout Mountain and attend Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church.

Our Church Fellowship Meal is...August 13th and the theme is “potluck”.

Opportunity for ministry: Women of Grace, please sign up to be a meal preparer for one of our monthly CRC meal teams. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board by our entrance door.

Mission Statement

To glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost and found in word and deed near and far.

Vision Statement

We desire to become a loving, gracious, and repenting community of instruments of reconciliation so that we may be a blessing to the nations.

Core Values

Corporate Worship
Evangelism
Fellowship
Compassionate Hospitality
Multiplying Ministry
Prayer
Service
Kingdom-focus

Elders

George Allender (Emeritus)
Harold Buntin (Ruling Elder)
Dustin Crider (Ruling Elder)
Erik McDaniel (Teaching Elder)
Rick Skatula (Ruling Elder)
Steve Summers (Ruling Elder)

Deacons

Jim Hale
Steve Halverson
Paul VanOteghem
Don Zimmer

God's glory; Our passion. God's passion; Our glory.