

New St. Peter's Presbyterian Church
Celebration of Worship
May 19, 2019

Striking of the Hour *“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”*

Call to Worship (Revelation 5)

Let every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth say, “To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever.”

Silence

Liturgy of the Word (Revelation 5)

Weep no more; behold, the Lion of Judah, the root of David has conquered. **Worthy are You to take the scroll and open its seals, for you were slain and by Your blood You ransomed a people for God from every tribe, tongue, and nation.** And You have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth. **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

Invocation

Hymn: *“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

Hymn: *“Be Thou My Vision”*

Confession of Sin and Plea for Pardon (Isaiah 5, Romans 3)

Lord of hosts, You have grafted us into Your vineyard and clothed us in Your righteousness. **And yet our insatiable greed has driven us to seek more and more of the fruits this world has to offer. We seek after comfort and escape through food and drink and leisure, though these are good blessings from Your hand. We seek to protect ourselves and our reputations through falsehood and slander. We implicitly call evil good when we willfully sin against You. We prove to be wise in our own eyes when we arrogantly seek our own way apart from Your wisdom. We deal unjustly when it is expedient for us, yet we demand justice from You and from others. Forgive us Father. Remind us again that we are justified by Your grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus!**

Worshippers may continue to confess their sins in silence.

Assurance of Pardon (Isaiah 6, Romans 3)

People of God, behold, the LORD has purified you; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for. **For He put forth Christ as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. He is both just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Reading (Revelation 4:1-11) A reading from the Apocalypse of Jesus Christ: John beholds heavenly worship in the throne room of the Lord of hosts.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Doxology *“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”*

Sermon: *“Redemption of a Leprous Heart”* (Isaiah 6.1-8)

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, 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 quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Words of Institution and Fencing the Table (Revelation 7, Heidelberg Catechism 75)

The redeemed of the Lord shall hunger and thirst no more.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be our Shepherd, and He will guide us to springs of living water.

As surely as you see with your eyes this bread and this cup, so surely Christ’s body was broken, and his blood poured out for you.

And as surely as we receive them from the hand of the one who serves and taste them with our mouths, so surely Christ nourishes and refreshes our souls for eternal life with His crucified body and poured out blood.

Come to the Table...

Communion Hymn: *“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”*

Communion Hymn: *“Alas and did My Savior Bleed”*

Communion Hymn: *“Com Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”*

Communion Hymn: *“Grace Greater and our Sin”*

Parting Liturgy (Daniel 7, Jude 24)

Behold, the Son of Man will come with the clouds of heaven, and He will present you blameless before His throne with great joy. **His dominion is an everlasting dominion which shall not pass away, and His kingdom shall not be destroyed.**

Benediction (1 Thessalonians 5)

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.