WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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GATHERING

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe--His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He--Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, And He must win the battle.

And tho this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him--His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure:

One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours thru Him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also-The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still: His kingdom is forever.

TEXT: Martin Luther; translated by Frederick H. Hedge; based on Psalm 46 MUSIC: Martin Luther

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 108: 3-5

Leader: I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to You among the nations.

All: For Your steadfast love is great above the heavens;
Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!
Let Your glory be over all the earth!

*All Praise to Him

All praise to Him, the God of light, Who formed the mountains by His might All praise to Him Who names the stars That sing His fame in skies afar All praise to Him Who reigns in love, Who guides the galaxies above Yet bends to hear our every prayer, with sovereign pow'r and tender care

All praise to Him Whose love is seen, in Christ the Son, the Servant King Who left behind His glorious throne to pay the ransom for His own All praise to Him Who humbly came, to bear our sorrow, sin, and shame Who lived to die, Who died to rise, the all-sufficient sacrifice

All praise to Him Whose pow'r imparts, the love of God within our hearts The Spirit of all truth and peace, the fount of joy and holiness To Father, Son, and Spirit now, our souls we lift, our wills we bow To You, the Triune God, we raise with loving hearts our song of praise To Father, Son, and Spirit now, our souls we lift, our wills we bow To You, the Triune God, we raise with loving hearts our song of praise

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Psalm 2

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned. O rulers of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son. lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ALL: Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name.

Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Isaiah 1: 18, 27

LEADER: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Zion shall be redeemed by justice, and those in her who repent, by righteousness.

*The Goodness of Jesus

Come you weary heart now to Jesus Come you anxious soul now and see There is perfect love and comfort for your tears Rest here in His wondrous peace

(chorus)

Oh the goodness, the goodness of Jesus Satisfied he is all that I need May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days In the goodness of Jesus

Come find what this world cannot offer, Come and find your joy here complete Taste the living water, never thirst again, Rest here in His wondrous peace

(repeat chorus)

Come and find your hope now in Jesus, He is all he said he would be Grace is overflowing from the Savior's heart, Rest here in His wondrous peace

(repeat chorus 2x)

May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days In the goodness of Jesus

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*Your Labor is Not in Vain

Your labor is not in vain Though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained Your planting and reaping are never the same But your labor is not in vain.

Your labor is not unknown Though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan. The place of your toil may not seem like a home But your labor is not unknown.

(refrain)

For I am with you, I am with you.
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain.

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit
The fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth,
For all that is old will at last be made new:
The vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

(repeat refrain)

The houses you labored to build Will finally with laughter and joy be filled. The serpent that hurts and destroys will be killed And all that is broken be healed.

(repeat refrain 2x)

Wendell Kimbrough, Paul Zach, & Isaac Wardell

*Colossians 3: 1-4

ALL: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION

Although giving is a significant part of worship, we do not collect the offering during our service. Two boxes are placed by the doors to receive your offering. Tithes and offerings for the General Fund are placed in the box without the "steeple." Offerings for the Building Fund are to be placed in the box with the "steeple." Please make checks payable to Grace PCA, with "General" or "Building" included in the check memo.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SERMON: ACTS 18:1-23 Mark Winton

ALL: The grass withers and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word, Just to rest upon His promise, just to know "Thus saith the Lord."

(refrain)

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood, Just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

(repeat refrain)

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease, Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace.

(repeat refrain)

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend; And I know that He is with me, will be with me to the end.

(repeat refrain 2x)

TEXT: Louisa M.R. Stead MUSIC: William J. Kirkpatrick

*Love Divine

Purify our hearts with truth, and guide them in Your way Sanctify our lives anew, have mercy, Lord, we pray

That we may do what's pleasing in Your sight And know the fullness of Your sacrifice

(chorus)

Lord, we come to You, we're amazed by You And all You've done, all You've done for us You have set us free, oh the mystery Of all You've done, all You've done for us

We break this bread, we drink this cup, remembering the cross The beauty of Your love divine, is washing over us That we may do what's pleasing in Your sight And know the fullness of Your sacrifice

(repeat chorus)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen (repeat)

(repeat chorus)

Of all You've done, all You've done for us

We break this bread, we drink this cup, remembering the cross

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*Jesus, Thank You

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend The agonies of Calvary You the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

(chorus)

Your blood has washed away my sin Jesus, thank You The Father's wrath completely satisfied Jesus, thank You Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table Jesus, thank You

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near Your enemy You've made Your friend Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

(repeat chorus)

Lover of my soul I want to live for You (4x)

Your blood has washed away my sin Jesus, thank You The Father's wrath completely satisfied Jesus, thank You

(repeat chorus)

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

AFTER SERVICE PRAYER

Don Griffin & Michael Boulton

It is our sincere desire to pray effectively for the particular needs of those worshipping with us this morning. If you have a prayer concern that you want shared with the congregation during the prayers of the people, please email prayer@gpca.church or contact one of the pastors prior to the service with your request. If you desire prayer on a personal matter, we invite you to meet with the elders in the front pews after the Benediction.

*CONGREGATION WILL STAND

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