

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CALL TO WORSHIP

***Psalm 22: 22, 27-28**

*Leader: I will tell of Your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise You.*

**All: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.
For kingship belongs to the Lord, and He rules over the nations.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

GATHERING

***All Creatures of Our God and King**

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on Him cast your care, O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One, O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

TEXT: St. Francis of Assisi; translated by William H. Draper MUSIC: Geisliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

***God is For Us**

We won't fear the battle, we won't fear the night
We will walk the valley, with you by our side
You will go before us, You will lead the way
We have found a refuge, only you can save

(chorus)

Sing with joy now: our God is for us
The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress
Raise your voice now, no love is greater
Who can stand against us if our God is for us

Even when I stumble, even when I fall
Even when I turn back, still your love is sure
You will not abandon, You will not forsake
You will cheer me onward with never ending grace

(repeat chorus)

Neither height nor depth can separate us
Hell and death will not defeat us,
He who gave his son to free us, holds me in his love (2x)

(repeat chorus 2x)

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5: 43-48

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

All: Father God,
You have called Your people to shine as lights in a dark world,
But we confess that our light is often dimmed by wrongdoing and carelessness.

We have often learned Your laws, but not followed them;
We have often spoken our love for the lost, but ignored them;
And our hearts have been divided.

Forgive us for these faults and weaknesses, and for others we have not named.

-Adapted from the prayers of John Baillie

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* John 10: 27-29

*Leader: My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish,
and no one will snatch them out of my hand.
My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,
and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.*

***Rock of Ages**

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress, helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly, wash me, Savior, or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady MUSIC: Thomas Hastings

***The Church's One Foundation**

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

TEXT: Samuel J. Stone MUSIC: Brian Moss

PROFESSION 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 is seated 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 Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

(Note: Although not written by the apostles, this creed is a summary of their teachings. Though its origin is traced to the second century, it developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century. For the sake of clarity, please note that we believe that Jesus suffered the agony and punishment of Hell on the cross, most especially when He knew that He had been forsaken by His Father, and that He died a real death from which He was resurrected. We believe also that "holy catholic church" refers to the church universal.)

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.**

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

LORD'S SUPPER

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

TEXT: Isaac Watts MUSIC: Based on a Gregorian chant; arranged by Lowell Mason

Awake, My Soul, to Sing

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' mercy
For neither death nor sin will conquer thee
Christ did my ransom pay while I preferred my stains
When Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' merit
When God His judgment brings, hide me in Thee
While robed in righteousness, I will not fear it
Since Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' blessing
Whose love lays hold of me and bids me see
He guides and guards my loves, and I am yielded
Since Jesus died for me

Awake, my soul, to sing of Jesus' promise
Whose Word and victory will changeless be
For Christ's I am today and Christ's I will be
Since Jesus died for me
Since Jesus died for me
Since Jesus died for me

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On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

(chorus)

I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

(repeat chorus)

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest?

(repeat chorus 2x)

I am bound for the promised land.

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BENEDICTION

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

Scott Rask & Darby Ritter

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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