

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 9, 2020
Maundy Thursday



CHRIST
EVANGELICAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH (PCA)

Prelude

Welcome

To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;
To all who fail and desire strength;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;
And to whoever will come-

This church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us worship God together.

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the LORD is a great God,
 and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
 the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
 and his hands formed the dry land.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
 let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
For he is our God,
 and we are the people of his pasture,
 and the sheep of his hand.

Hymn of Praise

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his wondrous love to me
On the cruel cross he suffered
From the curse to set me free

Chorus

*Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With his blood he purchased me
On the cross he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free*

I will tell the wondrous story
How my lost estate to save
In his boundless love and mercy
He the ransom freely gave

Chorus

continued

I will praise my dear Redeemer
His triumphant power I'll tell
How the victory he giveth
Over sin and death and hell

*Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With his blood he purchased me
On the cross he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free*

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his heavenly love for me
He from death to life hath bro't me
Son of God with him to be

*Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With his blood he purchased me
On the cross he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free*

Invocation

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.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end
Amen Amen

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell*. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living 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.**

**Jesus "descended into hell" as he suffered the pain and torment of divine wrath.*

***The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.*

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

How sweet and awesome is the place
With Christ within the doors
While everlasting love displays
The choicest of her stores

While all our hearts and all our songs
Join to admire the feast
Each of us cries with thankful tongue
Lord why was I a guest

Why was I made to hear your voice
And enter while there's room
When thousands make a wretched choice
And rather starve than come

'Twas the same love that spread the feast
That sweetly drew us in
Else we had still refused to taste
And perished in our sin

We long to see your churches full
That all the chosen race
May with one voice and heart and soul
Sing your redeeming grace

Call to Confession

Titus 2:11-14

Minister: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Public Confession

Prayer of Confession from the
31st General Assembly of the PCA

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O Lord, how can we stand before you with our numberless and aggravated offenses? We have taken your grace for granted; it has failed to stun us today. We have arrogantly believed that we deserved your grace and thus have mocked your gospel. We have run after vain idols and thus forsaken your sufficiency. We have not loved your church that you bought with your own blood. Forgive us, Lord. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not interceded for the world around us. We have failed to be your priests and we have broken your covenant. Lord, it is only because of your compassions through Jesus Christ that we are not consumed. Lead us to repentance and save us from despair. Lord, we have no excuse, but we do have Jesus who has become sin for us so that, in him, we might become the righteousness of God. Help us to believe the gospel for your glory!

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 5:6-8

Minister: While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person - though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die - but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

Man of sorrows what a name
For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah what a Savior

Bearing shame and scoffing rude
In my place condemned he stood
Sealed my pardon with his blood
Hallelujah what a Savior

Guilty vile and helpless we
Spotless Lamb of God was he
Full atonement can it be
Hallelujah what a Savior

Lifted up was he to die
It is finished was his cry
Now in heaven exalted high
Hallelujah what a Savior

When he comes our glorious King
All his ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing
Hallelujah what a Savior

Corporate Prayer for Holy Week

Minister: Please join me in praying our Corporate Prayer for Holy Week.

All: Loving Father, as we journey with your Son in this week of remembrance and hope, help us to understand you and your love for the world more clearly. Transform us by the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and prepare us for service in your kingdom through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering

There Is a Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more
Be saved to sin no more
Be saved to sin no more
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen

Hymn #624

Prayer of Dedication

Sermon

"I am the True Vine"

John 15:1-11

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

Chorus

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Chorus

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom

Chorus 2x

Benediction

Postlude

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