

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 20, 2020



**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.

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 95:1-2

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!  
Let us worship the Lord together!

**Hymn of Praise**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise to the Lord the Almighty  
The King of creation  
O my soul praise him  
For he is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear now to his temple draw near  
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord who o'er all things  
So wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under his wings  
Yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen  
How thy desires all have been  
Granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord who doth  
Prosper thy work and defend thee  
Surely his goodness and mercy  
Here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with his love he befriend thee

Praise to the Lord O let  
All that is in me adore him  
All that hath life and breath  
Come now with praises before him  
Let the amen sound from his people again  
Gladly forever adore him

## 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.*

### Psalm 67, May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night  
Into your glorious light  
That we may sing the wonders of  
The risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace  
That broke into our strife  
With boundless love and deepest joy  
With endless life

#### Chorus

*May the peoples praise you  
Let the nations be glad  
All your blessing comes  
That we may praise  
May praise the name of Jesus*

*continued*

All the earth is yours and all within  
Each harvest is your own  
And from your hand we give to you  
To make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us  
For those who have not heard  
May songs of praise build lives of grace  
To spread your Word

*Chorus*  
*May the peoples praise you*  
*Let the nations be glad*  
*All your blessing comes*  
*That we may praise*  
*May praise the name of Jesus*

This our holy priv'lege to declare  
Your praises and your name  
To every nation tribe and tongue  
Your church proclaim

*Chorus*

Holy holy is the Lord Almighty  
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy holy is the Lord Almighty  
All creation praise your glorious name

*Chorus 2x*

### **Call to Confession**

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A 45-48;  
Exodus 20:3

Minister: What is the first commandment?

**People: The first commandment is: You shall have no other gods before me.**

Minister: What is required in the first commandment?

**People: The first commandment requires us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly.**

Minister: What is forbidden in the first commandment?

**People: The first commandment forbids the denying, or not worshipping and glorifying, the true God as God, and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to him alone.**

Minister: What are we specially taught by these words "before me" in the first commandment?

**People: These words "before me" in the first commandment teach us, that God, who sees all things, takes notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other God.**

## Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together:

Most merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues:

**All: For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, impatience, and tempers out of control.**

Minister: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes:

**All: For impurity in our glances and imagination, for pining after more beauty, comfort, status and wealth than you have already given us.**

Minister: Forgive us the sins of our hearts:

**All: For hard-heartedness toward you and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, self-pity and, above all, for rebelling against your lordship and doubting your love. Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride and melt our hearts. Give grace to be holy, kind, gentle and pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, being transformed into your likeness.**

## Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Psalm 103:8, 10-12

Minister: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### I'm Not Ashamed

I'm not ashamed to own my Lord  
Or to defend his cause  
Maintain the honor of his Word  
The glory of his cross

Jesus my God I know his name  
His name is all my trust  
Nor will he put my soul to shame  
Nor let my hope be lost

Firm as his throne his promise stands  
And he can well secure  
What I've committed to his hands  
Till the decisive hour

Then he shall own my worthless name  
Before his Father's face  
And in the new Jerusalem  
Appoint my soul a place

## Pastoral Prayer

## Tithes and Offerings

## 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

## Prayer of Dedication

## Sermon

### **"The Love of God in Us"**

*John 17:25-26*

Rev. Richard Harris

## Closing Song

### **My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

*Chorus*

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand  
All other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils his lovely face  
I rest on his unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil

*Chorus*

His oath his covenant his blood  
Support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way  
He then is all my hope and stay

*Chorus*

When he shall come with trumpet sound  
O may I then in him be found  
Dressed in his righteousness alone  
Faultless to stand before the throne

*Chorus*

## Benediction

## Postlude

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