

*Worship Service for the Lord's Day*  
*Crossnore Presbyterian Church*  
*Sunday, September 6, 2020*



**Welcome and Announcements**

**Choral Call to Worship # 3: *Wonderful Merciful Savior***

Text and Music: Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse, 1989

**Wonderful, merciful Savior  
Precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb  
Could rescue the souls of men  
Oh, You rescue the souls of men**

**Refrain:**

**You are the One that we praise  
You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace  
Our hearts always hunger for  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for**

**Counselor, Comforter, Keeper  
Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
Hopelessly lost our way  
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way (Refrain)**

**Almighty, infinite Father  
Faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne (Refrain)**

**\*Call to Worship:**

Joy, wonder, delight –

**Doubt, peace, restlessness –**

Sorrow, contentedness, anxiety –

**Confidence, hope, pardon:**

We lay our hearts, full of these things, before our God.

**Unburdened and awaiting**

Let us worship God.

**\*Hymn of Praise # 32 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God***

Text: Isaac Watts, 1715; Music: gesangbuch der Herzogl, 1784

**I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.**

I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food.  
God formed the creatures through the Word, and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,  
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known.  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne,  
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,  
And everywhere that we can be, thou, God, art present there.

**Call to Confession:**

To come before God with the truth of our lives is itself an act of faith: we trust that the Holy One is interested in us, interested in our minds and hearts and souls. We trust that God's mercy and grace are intended for us, too. With faith and in trust, let us make our confession to God and to each other.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**

Holy God, hear our prayer. Sometimes our lives are a mess, because of choices we have made or because of choices others have made. Sometimes our lives are great, and we're kind and generous. Sometimes our lives are great and we forget to be grateful and humble. We trust that in the jumble of all of this, you are present. We trust that you are with us, walking with us when we stray, nudging us back to the right path, slowing us down when we get ahead of you, and waiting for us when we lag behind. So we thank you, and ask for your forgiveness, and pray that you will stay with us throughout the journey (moment of silent confession). In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.



**Assurance of Pardon:**

Friends, this Good News is for all the world: Christ was born, lived and died, and rose again that we would be freed from sin and death. Know that indeed you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Alleluia! Amen.

**Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 246 *Christ Is Alive!*, verses 1, 4**

Text: Brian Wren, 1968, rev. 1995; Music: Musica Sacra, c. 1778

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and home with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, free for all.

**First Lesson: Luke 22:14-20**

When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is

given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

**Special Music: *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee* sung by Bobby Taylor and Mel Wilhite**

**Second Lesson: Luke 5:27-32**

After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up, left everything, and followed him. Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?” Jesus answered, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance.”

**Sermon: “Table Talk”**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology #608**

Text: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988; Music: Hal H. Hopson, 2008

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

**\*Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

**With hope in our hearts, we offer our gifts to you, O God, trusting that you will use them in the work of your kingdom which welcomes all, loves all, needs all, and serves all. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Meditation # 509 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly***

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1990; Music: William Moore’s Columbian Harmony, 1825

**All who hunger, gather gladly;  
holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wandering.  
Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness,  
all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.**

**All who hunger, never strangers;  
seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming.  
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered  
in communion’s love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.**

**All who hunger, sing together;  
Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing.**

Here, in peace, we have been led.  
Blest are those who from this table  
live their lives in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after Communion

**\*Closing Hymn # 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing***

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983; Music: Welsh melody

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me;  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit's power filled you; here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**This morning's worship leaders:**

Rev. Kathy Campbell, pastor; Jason DeWitt and Bonnie Vuolo, worship set-up; Charlotte Davila, liturgist; Bobby Taylor and Mel Wilhite, special music; Jason DeWitt and George Riggsbee, communion servers; and Gene Hodges, Doug Noble, and Bob Taylor, parking assistants.