

Virtual Worship Service for the Lord's Day
A Service of Music, Sunday, July 24, 2022
Crossnore Presbyterian Church
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Welcome and Church Family News (PDF attachment)

Choral Call to Worship: *He is Jehovah*

<https://youtu.be/TTXE0s9U9uA> sung by Kenneth Copeland

He is Jehovah, God of creation

He is Jehovah, lord God almighty

The balm of Gilead, the rock of ages

He is Jehovah, the God that healeth thee

[Refrain]

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah

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He is Jehovah, lord God almighty

He is Jehovah, the God that healeth thee

He is the great I am, the God of Abraham

Jehovah shalom, the God peace I am

The God of Israel, the everlasting one

He is Jehovah, the God that healeth thee

[Refrain]

He's your provider, Jehovah Jireh

God of salvation, God of messiah

The son he sent to you, and testified of him

He is Jehovah, the God that healeth thee

[Refrain]

Call to Worship: (adapted from Psalm 98:1-4)

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Hymn of Praise # 664 *Morning Has Broken*

<https://youtu.be/K5u0EFwSezg> - MonaLisa Twins

BUNESSAN

Morning has broken like the first morning,

Black bird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.

**Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning.
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

Call to Confession:

We don't always get everything right, and when that happens, sometimes we hurt other people or ourselves. God knows that, and wants to help us make things right. We start by telling God the whole truth. Let us now pray to God about those things.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Holy God, Lord of love:

**For not singing when we are joyful;
for not shouting to the world the good that you do;
for not trusting the love that surrounds us;
for not enacting the justice you call us to;
For not believing the Good News is meant for all:
Forgive us. Encourage us and change us, help us and inspire us,
that we will rejoice in God our Savior through all we say and all we do.
(moment of silent confession). Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Sisters and brothers in Christ, the mercies of God are from everlasting to everlasting.
Let us proclaim the Good News:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* vs. 1 & 3

FAITHFULNESS

https://youtu.be/N2i7_X8RQis - Veritas

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain:

**Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]**

Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 29:11-14a

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Meditation on "Standing on the Promises (PDF attachment)

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Special Music: *Standing on the Promises*

<https://youtu.be/xLIJR61wKW0> - Gospel Music Sing at First Baptist of Atlanta

Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain:

Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Scripture Readings:

Philippians 4:6-9

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Ephesians 4:31- 5:2

Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be

imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Meditation on Imitating Christ (PDF attachment)

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Special Music: *Congratulations Are in Order*

<https://youtu.be/F1kEre5tJAM> - Jimmy Swaggert

Congratulations are in order
You found the answer
You found the Lord
You found the real light
You crossed the border
Congratulations are in order

I like to take your hand and tell you
I'm so very proud of you
Your serving Jesus
We need more like you
Congratulations are in order
Congratulations are in order
You found the answer
You found the Lord

You found the real light
You crossed the border
Congratulations are in order
When you meet a Christian brother
Your so glad to meet another
With Christ in common with each other
Congratulations are in order.
Congratulations are in order
You found the answer
You found the Lord
You found the real light
You crossed the border
Congratulations are in order

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 40:27-31

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Matthew 11:28-30;

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Meditation on the Yoke of Christ (PDF attachment)

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Special Music: *Reach Out to Jesus*

<https://youtu.be/1iRC2cYay6I> - Jehovah Shalom Acapella

Is your burden heavy as you bear it all alone?
Does the road you travel, harbor dangers yet unknown?
Are you growin' weary in the struggle of it all?
Jesus will help you with all his name you call

He's always there hearing every prayer, faithful and true
Walking by our side, in his love we hide all the day through.
When you get discouraged just remember what to do
Reach out to Jesus, he's reaching out to you

**Is the life you're living filled with sorrow and despair?
Does the future press you with its worry and its scare?
Are you tired and jealous, have you almost your way?
Jesus will help you, just talk to him today**

**He's always there hearing every prayer, faithful and true
Walking by our side, in his love we hide all the day through.
When you get discouraged just remember what to do
Reach out to Jesus, he's reaching out to you**

Prayers of the People:

You are a God who leads us, who makes a way when there is no way.
We give you thanks, O Lord, for you are stronger than every foe.
We give you thanks, for your creative Spirit is always at work, making all things new.
We give you thanks, for though we feel scattered or on edge,
there is no place we can go beyond the reach of your love.
And so we are bold to lift our voices to you, to admit our need.

We pray this day for your Church, in this community, in this nation, and in the world.
We ask your blessing on your Body, that we may in turn be a blessing to others.
We ask your guidance, strong and sure, for we are not certain of the way forward.
We pray for the gift of discernment, and the courage to follow,
even when we feel battered by the waves.
Give us eyes to see and ears to hear...and feet ready to follow...and hands ready to serve.
Take from us any thought that does not glorify you, and lead us on your way.

We pray this day for the nations of this world, and for our leaders,
that they too may have the gifts of discernment and courage.
Give them wisdom to seek the good of all, not only some.
Give them compassion, and imagination, and love.

We pray this day for your people near and far who live each day with fear.
Whether they fear someone in their home, or violence in the streets, or the government, or themselves...
bring peace, O God.
Bring peace to those in the midst of war, and to those whose greatest enemy is within.
Bring peace that passes all understanding, peace founded on justice
and bring us together, to be creators of justice and peace for all your creation.

We pray this day for those who are ill, in body, mind, or spirit.
May your healing presence surround and fill them, may your comfort enfold them.
Guide the hands and minds of doctors and nurses and all who care for others,
that they may understand and so treat people toward wholeness.

We pray this day for all those who find the news too much to bear—
people living with stories they have not been able to tell,
with hearts burdened by trauma,
with lives upended by choices made by others.
Shield their hearts, O God.
Give them hope, and help, and a listening ear.
Give us courage to hold their stories, their feelings, and their prayers,
to be a friend to those who feel alone.

You are a God who makes a way when there is no way,
who creates paths in the desert and through the storm.
You carry our burdens and lift our spirits,
that we may bravely walk this earthly way.
Lead and guide us to go forward into your future, with faith, hope, and love.
We pray these and all things in the name of the One who is the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
Jesus the Christ, who taught his disciples to pray: Our Father... Amen.

Hymn of Meditation # 649 *Amazing Grace/ He Is Lord*

<https://youtu.be/MOikZKV3vxl>: Steph Macleod with Celtic Worship & Friends

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:

And now, not because we have to, but because we are grateful, let us return to God what is ours to share. Let us joyfully offer our time, our treasure, our commitment, our prayers.

Offertory: *Swing Low Sweet Chariot*

<https://youtu.be/YOe8BHDxv2g> - B.B. King

Doxology # 608

<https://youtu.be/VXKULgrCpUg> - First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, Alabama

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:

God, thank you for your grace, for this community of faith, for the gifts of our lives. Bless these offerings today that they might be used to further your reign of righteousness here and now. Work through each of us and through the ministries of this congregation that we might glorify you in all we do. Amen.

Closing Hymn # 625 *O Lord My God*

<https://youtu.be/tXQpDDcrN-w> sung by Home Free (you can cut it off at the end of the song)

HOW GREAT THOU ART

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:**

Refrain:

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: [Refrain]**

**And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin: [Refrain]**

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]**

Charge and Benediction:

Go forth to sing God's good news to others.
Go forth knowing
that you do not lack anything you need
to be a servant saint of God.
Go forth to be that servant for others.
You have met God revealed in unexpected places.
Go forth to reveal God to others.
And may the God of timeless gifts,
surprises and revelations
go with you on your journey. **Amen.**