

Hillcrest Presbyterian Church in America
AM Order of Worship – July 5, 2020

Prelude *Please use the Prelude to prepare yourself for worship through silent meditation.*

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer Requests

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Call to Worship

Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #122

God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

- ¹ God, all nature sings thy glory, and thy works proclaim thy might;
Ordered vastness in they heavens, ordered course of night and day;
Beauty in the changing seasons, beauty in the storming sea;
All the changing moods of nature, praise the changeless Trinity.
- ² Clearer still we see thy hand in man whom thou hast made for thee;
Ruler of creations glory, image of thy majesty.
Music, art, the fruitful garden, all the labor of his days,
Are the calling of his maker to the harvest feast of praise.
- ³ But our sins have spoiled thine image; nature, conscience only serve
As unceasing, grim reminders of the wrath which we deserve.
Yet thy grace and saving mercy in thy word of truth revealed
Claim the praise of all who know thee, in the blood of Jesus sealed.
- ⁴ God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee;
We, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity.
Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will;
With our acts as with our voices thy commandments to fulfill.

Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism 45-48

Q. 45. *Which is the first commandment?*

A. The first commandment is, Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Q. 46. *What is required in the first commandment?*

A. The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly.

Q. 47. *What is forbidden in the first commandment?*

A. The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, or not worshiping 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.

Q. 48. *What are we specially taught by these words before me in the first commandment?*

A. These words before me in the first commandment teach us that God, who seeth all things, taketh notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other god.

Offertory

Please use this as a time for silent prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregational Reading

Psalm 37:23-40

- 23 The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the Lord,
And He delights in his way.
- 24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down;
For the Lord upholds *him with* His hand.
- 25 I have been young, and *now* am old;
Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken,
Nor his descendants begging bread.
- 26 *He is* ever merciful, and lends;
And his descendants *are* blessed.
- 27 Depart from evil, and do good;
And dwell forevermore.
- 28 For the Lord loves justice,
And does not forsake His saints;
They are preserved forever,
But the descendants of the wicked shall be cut off.
- 29 The righteous shall inherit the land,
And dwell in it forever.
- 30 The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom,
And his tongue talks of justice.
- 31 The law of his God *is* in his heart;
None of his steps shall slide.
- 32 The wicked watches the righteous,
And seeks to slay him.
- 33 The Lord will not leave him in his hand,
Nor condemn him when he is judged.

- 34 Wait on the Lord, And keep His way,
And He shall exalt you to inherit the land;
When the wicked are cut off, you shall see *it*.
- 35 I have seen the wicked in great power,
And spreading himself like a native green tree.
- 36 Yet he passed away, and behold, he *was no more*;
Indeed I sought him, but he could not be found.
- 37 Mark the blameless *man*, and observe the upright;
For the future of *that man is* peace.
- 38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together;
The future of the wicked shall be cut off.
- 39 But the salvation of the righteous *is* from the Lord;
He is their strength in the time of trouble.
- 40 And the Lord shall help them and deliver them;
He shall deliver them from the wicked,
And save them, Because they trust in Him.

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Assurance of Pardon and God's Love

Hymn 252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

- 1 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.
- 2 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.
- 3 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?
- 4 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.

Scripture Reading:

Romans 1:16-17

Sermon:

“The Righteousness of God”
Pastor Steve Tipton

Prayer of Application and Submission

Hymn #465

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

¹ Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that is greater than all our sin.

² Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
threaten the soul with infinite loss;
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
points to the Refuge, the mighty cross. [Refrain]

³ Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today. [Refrain]

Benediction

Hymn #304

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.

Postlude