

Hillcrest Presbyterian Church in America
AM Order of Worship – November 15, 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 #167

When Morning Gilds the Sky

1 When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

2 When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs:
May Jesus Christ be praised. When evil thoughts molest,
with this I shield my breast: May Jesus Christ be praised.

3 Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised.

4 In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised. The pow'rs of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised.

5 Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Let air and sea and sky,
from depth to height, reply: May Jesus Christ be praised.

6 Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised. Be this th'eternal song,
through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism 85-87

Q. 85. *What doth God require of us that we may escape his wrath and curse due to us for sin?*
A. To escape the wrath and curse of God due to us for sin, God requireth of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicateth to us the benefits of redemption.

Q. 86. *What is faith in Jesus Christ?*

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

Q. 87. *What is repentance unto life?*

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

Offertory

Please use this as a time for silent prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregational Reading

Psalms 53

The fool has said in his heart,
“*There is no God.*”

They are corrupt, and have done abominable iniquity;
There is none who does good.

God looks down from heaven upon the children of men,
To see if there are *any* who understand, who seek God.

Every one of them has turned aside;
They have together become corrupt;

There is none who does good,
No, not one.

Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge,
Who eat up my people *as* they eat bread,
And do not call upon God?

There they are in great fear
Where no fear was,

For God has scattered the bones of him who encamps against you;
You have put *them* to shame,

Because God has despised them.

Oh, that the salvation of Israel would come out of Zion!

When God brings back the captivity of His people,
Let Jacob rejoice *and* Israel be glad.

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Assurance of Pardon and God’s Love

Hymn #500

Rock of Ages

1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

2 Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears for ever flow,
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

Scripture Reading:

Romans 6:15-23

Sermon:

“This Gift of God”
Pastor Stephen Tipton

Prayer of Application and Submission

Hymn #472

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

1 Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r:
he is able, he is able, he is able,
he is willing; doubt no more; he is willing; doubt no more.

2 Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
true belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh,
without money, without money, without money,
come to Jesus Christ and buy; come to Jesus Christ and buy.

3 Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all:
not the righteous, not the righteous, not the righteous—
sinners Jesus came to call; sinners Jesus came to call.

4 Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him;
this he gives you, this he gives you, this he gives you;
'tis the Spirit's rising beam; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

5 Lo! th'incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood;
venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude:
none but Jesus, none but Jesus, none but Jesus
can do helpless sinners good, can do helpless sinners good.

Benediction

Hymn #735

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