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Proclaiming a **Hope**

Building a **Home**

Launching a **Healing**

The Lord's Day, June 29, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word and Prayer

June 29, 2025 | 10:45 a.m.

***Father, Long Before Creation**

Music: Chinese Hymn, trans. by Francis Jones, 1953; Lyrics: Andrew Osenga

1. Fa - ther long be - fore cre - a - tion
2. Though the world may change its fash - ion,
3. God's com - pas - sion is my sto - ry,
4. Lov - ing Fa - ther now be - fore Thee

Thou hadst cho - sen us in love,
yet our God is e'er the same;
is my boast - ing all the day;
we will ev - er praise Thy love,

and that love so deep, so mov - ing,
His com - pas - sion and His cov - 'nant
mer - cy free and nev - er fail - ing
and our songs will sound un - ceas - ing

draws us close to Christ a - bove.
through all a - ges will re - main.
moves my will, di - rects my way.
'til we reach our home a - bove,

Still it keeps us, still it keeps us
God's own chil - dren, God's own chil - dren
God so loved us, God so loved us
giv - ing glo - ry, giv - ing glo - ry

firm - ly fixed in Christ a - lone.
must for - ev - er praise His name.
that His on - ly Son He gave.
to our God and to the Lamb.

Welcome & Announcements

Brian Sorgenfrei

***Call to Worship¹**

Psalm 24:1-10

Elder: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

People: **Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?**

Elder: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

^{*}Please stand, if able.

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

People: He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Elder: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

Elder: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

People: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Elder: Who is this King of glory?

All: The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

***Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!, verses 1-2, 5**

Hymn No. 198

Music: TRURO, Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789

Lyrics: Georg Weissel, 1642, tr. Catherine Winkworth 1855

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism #60

Elder: How are you right with God?

All: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

***God Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)**

Music: Christopher Miner; Lyrics: Scottish Psalter, 1912

1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me,
2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess,
3. I am e - vil, born in sin;
4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust
5. Gra - cious God, my heart re - new,

on Thy grace I rest my plea;
grief and guilt my soul op - press;
Thou de - sir - est truth with in.
by Thy wrath and judg - ment just,
make my spi - rit right and true,

plen - teous in com - pas - sion Thou,
I have sinned a - gainst Thy grace
Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art,
let my con - trite heart re - joice
cast me not a - way from Thee,

blot out my trans - gres - sions now;
and pro - voked Thee to Thy face;
teach Thy wis - dom to my heart;
and in glad - ness hear Thy voice;
let Thy Spi - rit dwell in me;

wash me, make me pure with - in,
I con - fess Thy judg - ment just,
make me pure, Thy grace be - stow,
from my sins O hide Thy face,
Thy sal - va - tion's joy im - part

cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.
wash me whit - er than the snow.
blot them out in bound - less grace.
stead - fast make my will - ing heart.

Call to Confession

1 Peter 1:13–17

¹³Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” ¹⁷And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile...

Confession of Sin

Isaiah 64:4, 5b–9

All: [O Lord], from of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

Silent Confession

*Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 1:18–21

¹⁸...[know] that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

***O Great God**

Music & Lyrics: Bob Kauflin

1. O great God of high - est heav'n,
2. I was blind - ed by my sin,
3. Help me now to live a life

oc - cu - py my low hear - ly heart.
had no ears to hear Your voice,
that's de - pen - dent on Your grace.

Own it all and reign su - preme,
did not know Your and love with - in,
Keep my heart and guard my soul

con - quer ev - 'ry re - bel pow'r.
had no taste for heav - en's joys.
from the e - vils that I face.

Let no vice or sin re - main
Then Your Spi - rit rit me life,
You are wor - thy to be praised

that re - sists Your ho - ly war.
o - pened up Your Word to me
with my ev - 'ry thought and deed.

You have loved and pur - chased me,
through the gos - pel of Your Son,
O great God of high - est heav'n,

make me Yours for - ev - er - more.
gave me end - less hope and peace.
glo - ri - fy Your Name through me.

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Earl Stubblefield

Offertory "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"
Noel Childress

Music: Brian T. Murphy; Lyrics: Bernard of Clairvaux, 12th cent.

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church Dismissal: During the service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Glynn Ingram

Members of the Week:

Randall & Alyssa Bryant; Megumi, Yuna and Kaz
James & Cassidy Burnett; Brooke and Bridget

Missionaries of the Week:

Steve & Karen Jameson: One Door Ministries, Haiti

Sunday School Teachers of the Week:

1st, 2nd & 3rd Grade: Kathy & Clint Wilcke and Sarah Marie & Allen Thigpen

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Wayne & Sara Irby

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Scripture Reading

Luke 5:27-32

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Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Jesus' Love for Sinners"

John Crosby

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

***Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery**

Music & Lyrics: Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Michael Bleecker

1. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry
2. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry:
3. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry,
4. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry,

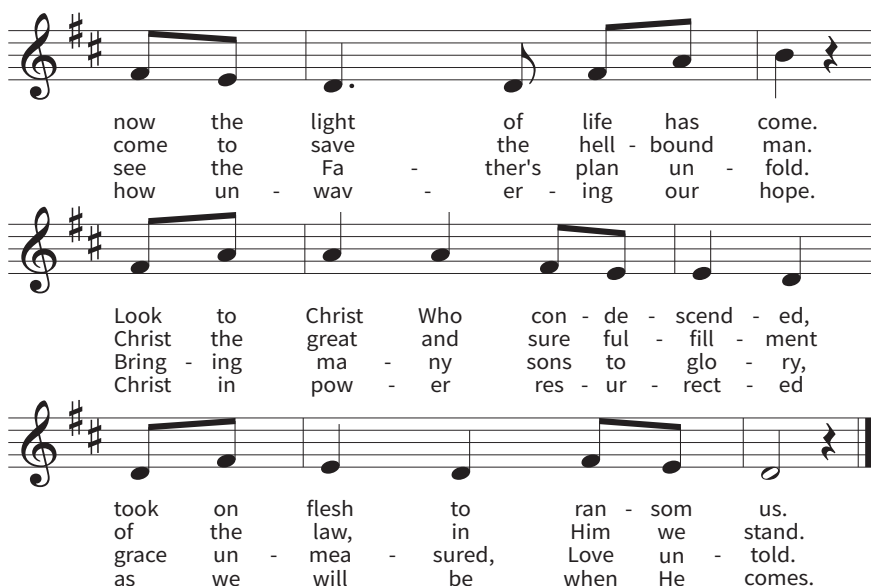
in the dawn - ing of the King.
He the the per - fect Son of Man,
Christ the Lord up - on the tree.
slain by death the God of life.

He the theme of heav - en's prais - es,
in His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring,
In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners,
But no grave could e'er re - strain Him.

robed in frail hu - man i - ty.
nev - er trace nor stain of sin.
hangs the Lamb nor in vic - tor - y.
Praise the Lord, He is a - live.

In our long - ing, in our dark - ness
See the true and bet - ter A - dam
See the price of our re - demp - tion,
What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance,

**Please stand, if able.*



now the light of life has come.
see to the Fa - ther's plan - ing un - fold.
how un - der - our hope.

Look to Christ Who con - de - scend - ed,
and the great and sure ful - fill - ment
Bring - ing ma - ny sons to glo - ry,
Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed

took on flesh to ran - som us.
of the law, in Him we stand.
grace the un - mea - sured, Love un - told.
as we will be when He comes.

*Benediction²

Sermon Notes

"Jesus' Love for Sinners"

Luke 5:27-32

1. Jesus' Love Pursues

2. Jesus' Love Celebrates

3. Jesus' Love Offends

Musicians & AVL Team

Thomas Ardey, piano; Connor Carlisle, cello; Noel Childress, guitar & vocals;
Alice Dabbs, vocals; Amanda Fliflet, sound engineer; Erik Hom, violin; Slade Lewis, bass;
Anna Sayre, lights & projections; Daniel Spears, percussion; Damein Wash, vocals

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²Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marvelous Mondays



PILATES IN THE LOFT

Ladies, our next Pilates in the Loft is **July 7th at 6:30pm** with Libbie Patterson. Come care for your body and connect with other women through a gentle Pilates class. These sessions are perfect for all fitness levels. Bring a yoga mat, wear comfy clothes and come ready to move!

MEN'S SUMMER SERIES

The next Men's Summer Series is on **Wednesday, July 9th, from 5:30-7pm**. For four more nights this summer we will eat together, have a topic presented and then a time of discussion. This is a great opportunity to build some relationships with other men from all stages of life as we continue to follow Jesus together.

Marvelous Mondays



MAHJONG

Women's Ministry is hosting their next Mahjong Monday July 14th at 6:30pm in the Christ Pres lobby. Whether you're a seasoned player or just curious to learn, this is a perfect opportunity to connect with other women and enjoy the timeless game of Mahjong. Bring supplies if you have them, or just bring yourself!

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