

Second Presbyterian Church · August 5, 2018 · 6:00 p.m.

Prelude

†Call to Worship	 Barton Kimb	ro
·	Assistant Pastor, Young Adu	lts

†Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your Name in the land that is plentiful, Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your Name.

And blessed be Your Name when I'm found in the desert place, Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your Name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise; And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

Blessed be the Name of the Lord; blessed be Your Name. Blessed be the Name of the Lord; blessed be Your glorious Name.

Blessed be Your Name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be Your Name.

And blessed be Your Name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your Name.

You give and take away. You give and take away. My heart will choose to say: Lord, blessed be Your Name.

†Invocation (please raise hands)

Worship of God with the Gifts of God

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way. The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will. And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed – You suffered in my place. You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ. Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me. O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose, And let my song forever be "my only boast is You."

Prayer of Thanksgiving

†Greetings and Announcements

Scripture Reading......John 3:22-30 (page 888 in the pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Cruciform Life: Using Your Platform as an Altar of Praise...... David Bowen Assistant Pastor, Middle Adults

Invitation to the Table

All who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church are welcomed to receive communion tonight. We encourage children not to take communion until they have joined the church but do welcome them to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. All communion wafers are gluten free.

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Songs for the Table

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is "Love," Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart. No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me. To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness, The great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace!

One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood;

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God.

With Christ, my Savior and my God.

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within? Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin? Jesus is calling. Have you come to the end of yourself? Do you thirst for a drink from the well? Jesus is calling.

O come to the altar. The Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes. Come today, there's no reason to wait – Jesus is calling. Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy. From the ashes a new life is born – Jesus is calling.

Oh, what a Savior! Isn't He wonderful? Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen! Bow down before Him, for He is Lord of all. Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen!

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown; Tell the world of the treasure you found.

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

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.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior, has ransomed me! And like a flood, His mercy rains – unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me. His Word, my hope, secures. He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine. But God who called me here below will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

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†Benediction (please raise hands)

Postlude

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Elders are available following the service for prayer and anointing with oil.

Worship Leaders: Jauna Ellis, Hannah Crowley, Ebeny Henderson, Haleigh Boykin, Drew Fitzgerald, Calvin Ellis, Will Spearman, Dawayne Anderson, Samuel Metzger, Daniel Pollorena, Robb Roaten, Kurt Ruleman

Connect with a Pastor

To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team listed below by emailing firstname.lastname@2pc.org or calling (901) 454-0034.

David Bowen, Pastor to Middle Adults Dan Burns, Pastor of World Missions Todd Erickson, Pastoral Executive Artez Henderson, Pastoral Resident Barton Kimbro, Pastor to Young Adults Jon McGuirt, Pastoral Resident Gerry Peak, Pastor to Senior Adults Brett Powell, Pastoral Resident Josh Preston, Pastoral Resident George Robertson, Senior Pastor Tim Russell, Pastor to Middle Adults Mike Stokke, Pastor to Middle Adults Brandon Terry, Pastor to Young Adults Brett Wynne, Pastor to Young Adults

