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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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May 12, 2019  
*Season of Eastertide*

  
**Second**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship  
and silence your mobile devices.*

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain” is perhaps one of the most popular and joyfully poignant hymns written by Charles Wesley (1707-1788). According to The Oxford Edition of the Works of Charles Wesley, he wrote the hymn immediately after his conversion in May 1738 when he found rest knowing that it is by faith we are saved after reading Ephesians 2:8.

The text of the hymn is fairly straightforward. Wesley begins the first stanza by expressing amazement over the love expressed in God the Son dying for him; it is a mystery that we who caused his death now benefit from it. In the second stanza, he recounts the infinite grace and mercy of Christ’s love and humility in His incarnation, death, and rescue of lost sinners. Now in the third stanza, Wesley turns his attention to the bondage of his own sin and the freedom he found in Christ. Finally, he explores the results of Christ’s amazing and merciful work: there is no condemnation for those made alive in Christ and clothed in his righteousness; rather, there is bold access to the throne as we have the right to claim the eschatological crown.

“And Can It Be” has been and remains one of the most remarkable hymns, expressing like no other the rapturous joy of receiving salvation. As we enter worship today, let us marvel at the beauty of the Gospel and praise the One who showed us His love by dying for us!

## PRAISE THE LORD OUR GOD

ORGAN PRELUDE: “Processional” . . . . . William Mathias  
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” . . . . . arr. Dan Miller  
*Samuel Metzger, organ*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Jon McGuirt

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 274 “Thine Be the Glory” . . . . . MACCABAEUS  
*Words: Edmond Budry / Music: G.F. Handel, arr. Wright / I Corinthians 15:57*

✦INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

✦STATEMENT OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 9 . . . . . Amanda Coop (8:15)  
Becca Sloan (11:00)

What is creation?

**Creation is God’s making everything out of nothing  
by His powerful word in six days — and all very good.**

*This catechism will be the topic of the sermon this evening.*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: “Alleluia! Alleluia!” . . . . . Ludwig van Beethoven  
*Words: Christopher Woodsworth / Music: Ludwig van Beethoven / I Corinthians 15:20*

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;  
Alleluia to the Savior, who has won the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.  
Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.**

## SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

8:15

*Walter Thomas Moody, born October 1, 2018, son of Lacey and Sam Moody  
Samuel Hiroto Nakano, born January 20, 2019, son of Rachael and David Nakano  
Nathaniel Forrest Patton, born August 11, 2018, son of Caroline and Nate Patton  
Lucy Catherine Quinn, born August 31, 2018, daughter of Rebecca and Ryan Quinn*

11:00

*Isabelle Sarah Terry, born September 1, 2018, daughter of Sarah and Brandon Terry  
Andrew Harris Yonchak, born February 19, 2019, son of Mary-Wilkes and Drew Yonchak*

SONG OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "Jesus Loves You" ..... JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so;  
Little ones to Him belong, you are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you!  
Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells us so.**

## TRUST THE LORD OUR GOD

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and merciful Father,  
we are thankful that Your mercy is higher than the heavens,  
wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin.  
Forgive our careless attitudes toward Your purposes,  
our refusal to trust Your goodness and sovereignty,  
our neglect of Your wise and gracious law,  
our indifference to the cries of the needy,  
our envy of those who have more than we have,  
and our obsession with living for our own names and kingdom.  
Transform us by Your Spirit so that we may desire what is good,  
love what You love, and do what You command,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. .... Isaiah 44:21b-22

*I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.  
I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist;  
return to me, for I have redeemed you.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "And Can It Be?" ..... Dan Forrest

*Words: Charles Wesley / Music: Dan Forrest / Romans 5:8*

And can it be? And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?  
And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;  
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.  
And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.  
Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love!

*The Chancel Choir  
Calvin Ellis, director*

✦ DOXOLOGY ..... OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING. .... Artez Henderson

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

# OBEY THE LORD OUR GOD

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*please stand*)

**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.**

✦HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Our Great God" . . . . . Fernando Ortega and Mac Powell

*Music: Fernando Ortega; arr. Henderson / Isaiah 6:1-3*



1. E - ter - nal God un - chang - ing my - ster - ious and un -  
2. Lord we are weak and frail, help - less in the  
3. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture in the sea and ev - 'ry fly - ing



known Your bound - less love, un - fail - ing in  
storm. Sur - round us with Your ang - els.  
bird, Let ev - 'ry moun - tain, ev - 'ry field and



grace and mer - cy shown. Bright ser - a - phim in  
Hold us in Your arms. Our cold and ruth - less  
val - ley of the earth, Let all the moons and



cease - less flight a - round Your glo - rious throne, they raise their  
e - ne - my, his pleas - ure is our harm. Rise up, O  
all the stars in all the un - i - verse sing prais - es



voic - es day and night in praise to You a - lone  
Lord and he will flee be - fore our sov - 'reign God.  
to the liv - ing God who rules them by His Word.

## *Refrain*



Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry be to our great God.



Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry be to our great God.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON . . . . . Exodus 4:10-17

*(page 47 in the pew Bible)*

The grass withers, the flower fades,

**but the Word of our God will stand forever.** (*Isaiah 40:8*)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF COMMITMENT: “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”. . . .William Kirkpatrick

**’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word;  
Just to rest upon His promise, and to know thus saith the Lord.**

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I’ve proved Him o’er and o’er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

**I’m so glad I learned to trust Thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that He is with me, will be with me to the end.**

*Words: Louisa Stead / Music: William Kirkpatrick; arr. Loehrs / John 14:1*

✦BENEDICTION *(please raise hands)*

✦CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Crown Imperial” . . . . . William Walton; arr. Metzger

✦Indicates congregation standing

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**May 12, 2019**

**I. He Answers Ingratitude with Sovereignty (10-12)**

**II. He Answers Insolence with Anger (13-17)**