



CHRIST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# Welcome to Worship

**SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020**

**† Gathering Hymn: Shout to the Lord**

**† Call to Worship** (Psalm 100 ESV)

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness. Come into his presence with singing!

**People: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**Unison: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

**† Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy**

**† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

## First Scripture Readings

(Reader: Teresa Lisowski)

### Acts 2:36-47 Responsive

<sup>36</sup> “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

**<sup>37</sup> When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”**

<sup>38</sup> Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**<sup>39</sup> The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”**

<sup>40</sup> With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

**<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.**

<sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

**<sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people.**

And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

### Psalm 23 Responsive

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,

<sup>3</sup> he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths  
for his name’s sake.

**<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk  
through the darkest valley,**

**I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely your goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD  
forever.**

This is the Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

**† 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.

**† Hymn: Joy to the World**

**Offertory**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings  
There is a Fountain  
Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**arr: Mark Hayes**

**† Doxology**

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

## Second Scripture Readings

(Reader: Ron Lisowski)

### 1 Peter 2:19-25 Responsive

<sup>19</sup> For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God.

**<sup>20</sup> But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.**

<sup>21</sup> To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

**<sup>22</sup> “He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”**

<sup>23</sup> When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

**<sup>24</sup> “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.”**

<sup>25</sup> For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### John 10:1-10 Responsive

<sup>1</sup> “Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber.

**<sup>2</sup> The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice.**

He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

**<sup>5</sup> But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” <sup>6</sup> Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.**

<sup>7</sup> Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them.

**<sup>9</sup> I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.**

This is the Word of the Lord!  
Thanks be to God!

## **Sermon: The Healthy Church**

Dr. James N. McGuire

### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **The Sacrament of Communion**

##### **† The Apostles Creed Unison**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

##### **† Prayer of Confession (Psalm 51:1-7) Unison**

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion  
blot out my transgressions.

<sup>2</sup> Wash away all my iniquity  
and cleanse me from my sin.

<sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is always before me.

<sup>4</sup> Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are proved right when you speak  
and justified when you judge.

<sup>5</sup> Surely I was sinful at birth,  
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

<sup>6</sup> Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;  
you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

<sup>7</sup> Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;  
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

**† Hymn: It is Well with My Soul**

**† Responsive Litany (from Romans 5)**

**Pastor:** Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

**People:** **Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true),**

**Pastor:** And try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.

**People:** **Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, and making melody to the Lord in your heart,**

**Unison:** **Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**†Benediction**

**† Welcome, Announcements and Prayer**

Again remember to mail your tithes and offerings to keep us on budget. **Please enclose your offering envelope in regular envelope.** You may send it to the church or to Pastor McGuire's home at 48028 Andover Dr., Novi, MI 48374. (Your checks may not be deposited every week, but if you have a question, feel free to call Bev Thompson about it.)

**Pastor: Dr. James N. McGuire**

**Music Director: Dr. Eric Roth**

**To our visitors: We hope our worship enables you to draw near to God through Christ Jesus, and that you are blessed to share this time with us. We would be happy to hear from you.**

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During the coronavirus crisis, we will not meet together. Our service will be available on Facebook and YouTube. The links will be sent by email. If we do not have your email, please send it to Bev at [cpcnovi@gmail.com](mailto:cpcnovi@gmail.com).

**In Need of Prayer**

Cindy Bemis, Engebretson's daughter  
Renate Hartig  
George Donoian and family  
Carolyn Krueger's son, Chuck  
Yvonne Ray  
Pat Grad's grandson, Luke age 12  
Gail Nastwold  
Jen Freese, her family and Maya  
Jen's 100 y/o friend, Adele  
Brett Johnson, Nancy's son  
Lyndsay, daughter of the Sharpes  
Don Rende's brother, Bob  
David, friend of Cindy Taaffee  
Bruce, friend of the Clay family  
Jim, Gary, Marion, friends of Szczepaneks  
Linda Szczepanek  
Cody, grandson of Carolyn Krueger  
Cheri Boone's sister's family  
Bruce Hartley, employment  
Alberta Weaver, at home  
Colleen, friend of Kelly Rende  
Diana, Metzners' daughter  
Tom & Carol Metzner

**In Need of Prayer**

Brenda Cook's, sister Lois  
Avery, niece of Teresa Lisowki  
Carol, Bev Thompson's cousin  
Judy Hutson  
Julia Rende  
Tracy, friend of Bunny Rector  
Andrew, friend of Bodnars, Guillain-Barré syndrome  
Randy, friend of Bodnars  
Tim, cancer, nephew of Janet Young  
Judy All, relative of the Chernenkoffs  
Lauren, niece of Ron Lisowski  
Kelly Rende's friend Rich, family care burden  
Jack, cousin of Patty Bodnar, pancreatic cancer  
Employment for Gabriel and Tammy  
Unbelieving children in our families  
Elaine Clay's cousin, Alexis  
Jim Paglino

*Karen Isles, Ray Johnson, Krystal Murphy, Angie O'Dell, Claudine Sordyl, Manuel & Astrid Valdivieso, and all healthcare and first responders*

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**Audio Sermons** can be heard on the church website:  
<http://christ-presbyterianchurch.org>

**Monthly need: \$17,083.00**  
**Giving this past week: \$4,200**  
**April giving: \$19,285 including \$900 given toward the mortgage due in Oct.**  
**Thank you for your faithful giving.**

**Our Military:** Justin, deployed to Qatar; Metzners' grandson; Bryan, relative of Teresa Lisowski, deployed to Iraq.

*Pray for God's protection of girls/women and intervention to stop the human sex trafficking in our state.*

**Pray for Sam Hutson and family in the death of beloved wife and mother, Judy Hutson, on 4.28.20.**

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**Heidelberg Catechism: Q 92 (Continued)** What does the Lord say in his law? **A.** The Fifth Commandment: Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God gives you.