



CHRIST
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Welcome to Worship

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Gathering Song: I Sing Praises to Your Name

† Call to Worship (Psalm 66:1-5, 8 ESV)

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

People: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you."

Pastor: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."

People: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

Unison: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard.

† Hymn: I Sing the Mighty Power of God

† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings

1 Samuel 17:32-49 Responsive

³²David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."

³³**Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth."**

³⁴But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it.

³⁶**Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."**

Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

³⁸**Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on him and a bronze helmet on his head. ³⁹David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them.**

"I cannot go in these," he said to Saul, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. ⁴⁰Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

⁴¹**Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David. ⁴²He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him.**

⁴³He said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. ⁴⁴"Come here," he said, "and I'll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!"

⁴⁵**David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.**

⁴⁶This day the LORD will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel.

⁴⁷**All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give all of you into our hands."**

⁴⁸As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. ⁴⁹Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.

Job 38:1-11 Responsive

¹ Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

² “Who is this that obscures my plans
with words without knowledge?”

³ Brace yourself like a man;
I will question you,
and you shall answer me.

⁴ “Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?
Tell me, if you understand.

⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!
Who stretched a measuring line across it?

⁶ On what were its footings set
or who laid its cornerstone—

⁷ while the morning stars sang together
and all the angels shouted for joy?

⁸ “Who shut up the sea behind doors
when it burst forth from the womb,

⁹ when I made the clouds its garment
and wrapped it in thick darkness,

¹⁰ when I fixed limits for it
and set its doors and bars in place,

¹¹ when I said, ‘This far you may come and no farther;
here is where your proud waves halt’?

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: Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Offertory

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
I Sing Praises to Your Name**

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

Mark 5:21-43 Responsive

²¹When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²²Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet.

²³**He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live."** ²⁴**So Jesus went with him.**

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. ²⁵And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse.

²⁷**When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed."** ²⁹**Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.**

³⁰At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹**"You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?' "**

³²But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

³⁵**While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"**

³⁶Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

³⁷**He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep."** ⁴⁰**But they laughed at him.**

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum!*" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!").

⁴²**Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.** ⁴³**He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.**

2 Corinthians 6:1-18; 7:1 Responsive

¹ As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. ²For he says,

"In the time of my favor I heard you,
and in the day of salvation I helped you."

I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

³**We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.** ⁴**Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; ⁵in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger;**

⁶in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; ⁷in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left; ⁸through glory and dishonor, bad report and good report;

genuine, yet regarded as impostors; ⁹known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed; ¹⁰sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and opened wide our hearts to you. ¹²We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us. ¹³As a fair exchange—I speak as to my children—open wide your hearts also.

¹⁴**Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? ¹⁵What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? ¹⁶What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said:**

"I will live with them
and walk among them,
and I will be their God,
and they will be my people."

¹⁷**Therefore,**

**"Come out from them
and be separate,
says the Lord.
Touch no unclean thing,
and I will receive you."**

¹⁸And,

“I will be a Father to you,
and you will be my sons and daughters,
says the Lord Almighty.”

7:1 Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

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

Sermon: Perfecting Holiness Out of Reverence for God

Dr. James N. McGuire

Pastoral Prayer

† Hymn: What Wondrous Love Is This?

† Responsive Litany (Hebrews 2:1-3, 9)

Pastor: We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away.

People: For since the message spoken through angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation?

Pastor: This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him.

People: God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Unison: We see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

† Benediction

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayers

Dr. James N. McGuire, Pastor

Dr. Eric Roth, Director of Music

To our visitors: We hope our worship enables you to draw near to God through Christ Jesus, and that you feel welcome here among us. Please sign our guest book. Our normal fellowship time after the service has been postponed due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

In Need of Prayer

Gail Nastwold, heart surgery on 6/7
 Stella, 8 years
 Brenda Cook, health, esp. kidney
 Cindy Taaffee
 Jen Freese, grief, training of therapy dog
 Jen's father, Lymphoma
 Dennis (Ellen) Dorman, cancer
 Kent's sister, Lori
 George Donoian, in rehab
 Don Rende's brother, Bob
 Don Rende's nephew, Chris
 David, friend of Cindy Taaffee
 Mark, Elaine's cousin, home now
 Gary, Marion, friends of L.Szczepanek
 Ray Boone's friend, Marvin
 Alberta Weaver, for stability
 Regina Higgs, strength caring for Alberta
 Linda Szczepanek
 Renata, Elaine's friend, healing wrist
 Dot, friend of Cheri Boone
 Joyce, Brenda's sister, eye cancer

In Need of Prayer

Bill Rector, shoulder surgery, 6/10
 Sue Work, surgery 6/18
 Donna Whiting
 Charlie Wilson
 Katalee Deighton, lymphoma, recent tests
 Anastasia, high risk pregnancy, 37 weeks
 Tom Metzner
 Alanna, auto accident, more surgeries & rehab
 Marie Johnson, Linda & Ray's daughter
 Keely & Josh (USN), daughter/son-in-law of Linda Johnson
 Nicki, Donna's neighbor, new cancer
 Grieving families with recent losses of loved ones:
 Kelly Rende, Linda Szczepanek, Sam Hutson, Dormans
 Ray Johnson, Karen Isles, Angie O'Dell, Krystal Murphy, Claudine Sordyl, and other healthcare workers to keep well
 Danny, brother-in-law of Donna Whiting, pain, leg ulcers
 Joni, Philip, Christian workers in Myanmar, protection
 Dan, friend of Chet Doak
 Kelly, Pat Grad's daughter, surgery 6/29
 Josh, 17, hospitalized, kidney failure, Bev's neighbor

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

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

Monthly need: \$17,083.00
 Giving to general fund last week: \$4,635
 Giving to general fund in June: \$7,383
 Giving to mortgage in June: \$650

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

Pray for those of our church who worship on-line, that they will sense the love and care we have for each other.

Heidelberg Catechism: : Q 17. Why must he also be true God? **A.** So that, by the power of his divinity, he might bear the weight of God's anger in his humanity and earn for us righteousness and life.