

**GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE**

for the  
**Glory of God  
and the**

**Renewal of His People**

**July 3, 2016**



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

*Glorifying God...*

*Embracing Scripture...*

*Loving Corpus Christi...*

GATHERING SONG

**Blessed Be Your Name**

Words and Music: Matt and Beth Redman

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow Blessed be Your name

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  
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

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise  
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

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be Your name

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You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

**PREPARATION for WORSHIP**

"In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart."

John Bunyan

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**WORSHIPING GOD'S GREATNESS**

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*(\*Indicates where congregation is invited to stand, as able)*

**\*CALL to WORSHIP**

*Psalm 150:1, 2, 6*

*Minister:*

*Praise the Lord!*

**Congregation:**

**Praise God in His sanctuary;  
praise Him in His mighty heavens!**

*Minister:*

*Praise Him for His mighty deeds;  
Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!*

**Congregation:**

**Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!**

\*SONG of ADORATION

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Words: Joacim Neander Music Traditional German Melody

Praise to the Lord,  
The Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him,  
For He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
Now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,  
Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings,  
Yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen  
How all your longings have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,  
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness  
And mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew  
What the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,  
O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
Come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen  
Sound from His people again,  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

**\*PRAYER of INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

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**ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE**

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**\*CONFESSION of FAITH**

*Colossians 1:15-20*

*Minister:*

*Who is Jesus, and what does He do?*

**Congregation:**

**He is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation.  
For by Him all things were created,  
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities –  
all things were created through Him and for Him.  
  
And He is before all things,  
and in Him all things hold together.  
And He is the head of the body, the church.  
He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,  
that in everything He might be preeminent.  
For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things,  
whether on earth or in heaven,  
making peace by the blood of His cross.**

## CONFESSION of SIN

*from Daniel 9*

*Minister: I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with Him in prayer and petition,  
in fasting and in sackcloth and ashes. I prayed to the Lord my God and confessed:*

**Congregation: O Lord, the great and awesome God,  
Who keeps His covenant of love  
with all who love Him and obey His commands,  
we have sinned and done wrong,  
We have been wicked and have rebelled;  
we have turned away from Your commands and laws.**

**The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving,  
even though we have rebelled against Him;  
we have not obeyed the Lord our God  
or kept the laws He gave us through His servants the prophets.**

**Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servants.  
We do not make requests of You because we are righteous,  
but because of Your great mercy.  
O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act!  
For Your sake, do not delay,  
because Your people bear Your Name. Amen**

## ASSURANCE of PARDON

*Psalm 32:5, 10, 11*

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.  
Many are the sorrows of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.  
Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

SONG of RENEWAL

**There is a Redeemer**

Words and Music: Melody Green-Sievrigh

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One  
Thank You O my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And Leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.  
Thank You O my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And Leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory, I will see His face;  
There I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place.  
Thank You O my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And Leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

*Please take a moment to fill out the information on the attendance pads located underneath the seat on the inner aisles, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, please pass the pads down the row so everyone has the opportunity to do so.*

**RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS**

**MISSION of the WEEK**

Presbyterian Church in America  
Administrative Committee

"Sympathy is no substitute for action."

David Livingstone, missionary to Africa

**PRAYER of COMMITTAL for our OFFERINGS**

**GIVING of OFFERINGS**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

### *Psalm 121*

#### **My Help Comes from the LORD**

#### **A Song of Ascents.**

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

<sup>6</sup> The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.

## **PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD**

Please contact Tammy at the church office for prayer needs and updates.

## Amazing Grace

Words and Music: Edwin Othello Excel, John Newton and John P. Rees

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

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

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun

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## EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

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### \*READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD

#### 1 Timothy 3:1-13

##### **Qualifications for Overseers**

1 The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. 2 Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, 3 not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. 4 He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, 5 for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? 6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. 7 Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

##### **Qualifications for Deacons**

8 Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. 9 They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. 10 And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. 11 Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. 12 Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. 13 For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

**\*SONG of RESPONSE**

**Just As I Am**

Words: Charlotte Elliott Music: Bobby Guy and Craig Brown

Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee Whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**Congregation: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

### **Words of Christ's Institution**

*Minister: Christ, our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.*

**Congregation: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Minister: The gifts of God are for the people of God.*

*All are invited to the table together whether eating and drinking or not. There are prayers on the back of the bulletin to assist you in praying, particularly if the Christian faith is new or unknown to you. Elders are also available to pray with all persons here.*

*Feel free to bring children forward. If they are not partaking the bread and wine or juice, they may indicate clearly to the server by clasping their hands. Upon request, our servers will gladly pray for and with your children.*

*If you are unable, physically, to proceed forward but do wish to partake, servers will come to your seat with the elements.*

**Serving of the Elements**      *(wine is in the outer ring of the trays; juice in the inner)*

**\*SONG of CELEBRATION**

**Gloria Patri**

Words: 2<sup>nd</sup> Century Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

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.

**\*BENEDICTION**

*Ephesians 3:20-21*

**Congregation: (Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*We praise the Lord for our accompanists this morning  
– vocalists and instrumentalists and audio and video technicians.*

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## COMMUNION REFLECTION PRAYERS

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### **Prayer for Those Searching for Truth**

*Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – Amen.*

### **Prayer of Belief**

*Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – Amen.*

### **Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin**

*Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – Amen.*

### **Prayer of Commitment**

*Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – Amen*