

Sunday Night Worship

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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September 7, 2014

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church.
May our worship open our hearts to God's love, our eyes to God's beauty,
our minds to God's truth, and our will to God's service.

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PRELUDE

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP: Matthew 11:28, 29 Barton Kimbro
Assistant Pastor, Young Adults

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
**for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.**

SINGING HIS PRAISE

✦ "Come, People of the Risen King" Keith Getty

**Come, people of the risen King who delight to bring Him praise;
Come, all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach, to gather children in.**

*Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice.
One heart, one voice, O church of Christ, rejoice!*

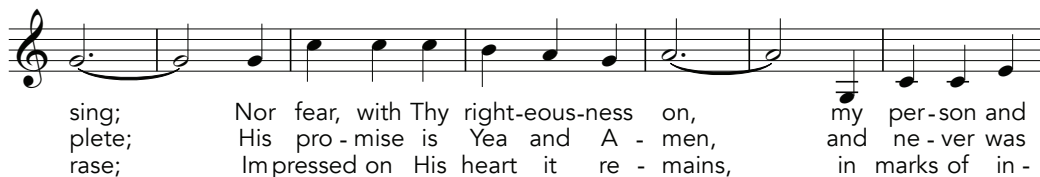
**Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night;
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.**

**Come, young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith;
Come, those with full or empty hands find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; shore to shore we hear them call,
The truth that cries in ev'ry age, "Our God is all in all."**

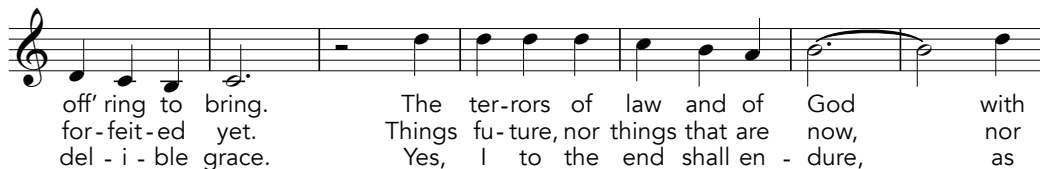
✦ "A Debtor to Mercy Alone" Statom

A musical score for the hymn 'A Debtor to Mercy Alone'. The notation is in 3/4 time, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a long note in the fourth measure. Below the staff, the lyrics are written in two columns, aligned with the notes above them.

A debt - or to mer - cy a - lone, of cov - e - nant mer - cy I
The work which His good - ness be - gan, the arm of His strength will com -
My name from the palms of His hands e - ter - ni - ty will not e -



sing; Nor fear, with Thy right-eous-ness on, my per-son and
plete; His pro-mise is Yea and A-men, and ne-ver was
raise; Impressed on His heart it re-mains, in marks of in-



off' ring to bring. The ter-rors of law and of God with
for-feit-ed yet. Things fu-ture, nor things that are now, nor
del-i-ble grace. Yes, I to the end shall en-dure, as



me can have noth-ing to do; My Sav-ior's o-
all things be-low or a-bove, Can make Him His
sure as the earn-est is giv'n; More ha-ppy, but



bed-ience and blood hide all my trans-gress-ions from view.
pur-pose for-go, or se-ver my soul from His love.
not more se-cure, the glor-i-fied spi-rits in Heav'n.

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

Worshippers at the end of a row should pass the collection bag to those in the row behind them.

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"..... Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

**Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
O, You rescue the souls of men.**

*You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore,
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,
O, our hearts always hunger for.*

**Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
O, we've hopelessly lost the way.**

**Almighty, Infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne,
O, we're falling before Your throne.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGPsalm 119:9-16
(page 512 in the church Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Lord Becomes Your First Love: Alone with God

Todd Erickson
Pastoral Executive

THE PARTICIPATION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CONFESSION OF FAITHHeidelberg Catechism, Q. 1

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**That I am not my own, but belong,
body and soul, in life and in death,
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

**He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.**

**He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.**

**Because I belong to Him,
Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for Him.**

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SONGS FOR THE TABLE

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" Digerness



1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
2. I ask no dream, no pro - phet ec - stas - ies,
3. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh;
4. Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King?
5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love,



wear it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear.
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.
one ho - ly pas - sion fil - ling all my frame;



stoop to my weak - ness, might-y as thou art.
no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
To check the ris - ing doubt, the re - bel sigh,
I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
the pre - sence of Thy de - scend - ed Dove,



and make me love thee as I ought to love.
but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
teach me the pat - ience of un - an - swered prayer.
O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

"Whiter Than Snow" James L. Nicholson, William G. Fischer

**Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever to live in my soul.
Break down every idol, cast out every foe;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

*Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow.
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.*

**Lord Jesus, let nothing unholy remain,
Apply Thine own blood and extract ev'ry stain;
To get this blest cleansing, I all things forego—
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

Refrain

Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat,
 I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet.
 By faith, for my cleansing, I see Thy blood flow,
 Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Refrain

Lord Jesus, Thou seest I patiently wait,
 Come now, and within me a new heart create;
 To those who have sought Thee, Thou never saidst "No,"
 Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Refrain

The blessing by faith, I receive from above;
 O glory! my soul is made perfect in love;
 My prayer has prevailed, and this moment I know,
 The blood is applied, I am whiter than snow.

Refrain

"Psalm 62" Stuart Townend, Aaron Keyes



1. My soul finds rest in God a-lone, my rock and my sal - va - tion,
 2. Find rest my soul in God a-lone, a - mid the world's temp - ta - tions.
 3. I'll set my gaze on God a-lone, and trust in Him com - plete - ly,



a for-tress strong a - gainst my foes, and I will not be shak - en.
 When e - vil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my sal - va - tion.
 with ev - 'ry day pour out my soul; And He will prove His mer - cy.



Though lips may bless, and hearts may curse, and lies, like ar - rows, pierce me,
 Though rich - es come, and rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on them.
 Though life is but a fleet - ing breath, a sigh too deep to mea - sure,



I'll fix my heart on right-eous-ness; I'll look to Him who hears me.
 The fields of hope in which I sow are harv-est-ed in heav-en.
 my King has crushed the curse of death, and I am His for - ev - er.

Chorus

O praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re -
 ward. Ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing; My Re - deem - er, my God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

♠ BENEDICTION

♠ Indicates congregation standing

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THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

