

Chestnut Mountain Presbyterian, PCA

Worship of the Living God

May 31, 2020

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Gathering Song *All Glory Be to Christ*

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ!

*Refrain: All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ!*

His will be done, His kingdom come, on earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread, praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
The water of eternal life, all glory be to Christ.

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new.
Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be, all glory be to Christ!

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Call to Worship: "It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'" - Micah 4.1-2a

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin, and the Invocation

ADORATION OF GOD

Declaration of Truth

Micah 4.2b-6

Pastor: For out of Zion shall go forth the law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

All: *He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away;*

and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore;

Pastor: “but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

All: *For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.*

Pastor: In that day, declares the Lord, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away and those whom I have afflicted; and the lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation;

All: *and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion from this time forth and forevermore.*

Hymn of Praise *Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power,*

Blessing and honor and glory and power,
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore
Give ye to Him Who our battle hath won
Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.

Into the heav'n of the heav'ns hath He gone,
Sitteth He now in the joy of the throne,
Weareth He now of the kingdom the crown,
Singeth He now the new song with His own.

Soundeth the heaven of the heavens with His Name;
Ringeth the earth with His glory and fame;
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower
Echo His praises and tell of His power.

Ever ascendeth the song and the joy;
Ever descendeth the love from on high;
Blessing and honor and glory and praise,

This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

CMPC Mission and Family Life

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Our Gifts to God

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Doxology

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

Hymn of Testimony *Hallelujah! Thine the Glory*

We praise you, O God! For the Son of your love,
For Jesus who died And is now gone above.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.

We praise you, O God! For your Spirit of light,
Who has shown us our Savior And scattered our night.

All glory and praise To the Lamb that was slain,
Who has borne all our sins and Has cleansed ev'ry stain!

All glory and praise To the God of all grace,
Who has bought us, and sought us, And guided our ways.

Revive us again Fill each heart with your love;
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Reading of God's Word

Habakkuk 3.1-15

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Dare We Pray this Prayer?

Pastor John

Series: *From Fear to Faith*

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Declaration of Truth:

Habakkuk

3.17-19

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places.

Hymn of Response

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, Fall fresh on me;

Spirit of the living God, Fall fresh on me;

Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me;

Spirit of the living God, Fall fresh on me.

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The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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CMPC Sermon Notes for May 31, 2020

Series: *From Fear to Faith*

Sermon: *Expressions of God's Love*

The need...

- In the 18th century...
- At the end of the 7th century BC
- In the 21st century...
 - Morality crisis
 - Sexuality crisis
 - Racism
 - Hatred political- incivility of our leaders
 - Truth- no longer absolute
 - Marijuana- destructive impact on American youth
 - Church losing its impact/viewed as non-essential
 - Naiveté on the world's part to be sure
 - A church self-absorbed, lackadaisical about worship

What is Revival?

- An outpouring of God's Spirit....
 - The Holiness of God
 - Keen awareness of sin bringing repentance
 - Renewed zeal for worship
 - Appreciation of Grace
 - Pursuit of holiness
 - The sparkle effect: salvation of souls/Great Awakening/Ezekiel47, Isaiah 35, 51
 - Times of refreshing

Habakkuk's prayer

- A carefully thought out prayer
 - Shigionoth appears to be the tune
 - Hymn to be sung
- Adoration
 - I have heard of your fame- the report
 - I fear your work
 - A student of God's word and of history
- The key request:
 - Revive it
 - Your work
 - Your report
 - Acting in wrath (judgment), remember mercy
 - Don't treat us as our sins deserve; instead, revive us!
- Why is he asking
 - Concern for his people

- Concern for God's glory
- Reflect in spiritual revival
- What is he asking
 - God's promise to come true

Three convictions out of God's message

- **The Great Truth**
 - Sound theology
 - The just shall live by faith
 - Doctrinal truth applied to living
 - Trust God no matter what
- **The Great Promise**
 - God's promises will come true
 - Amazing promise by the God of a small struggling nation in the Middle East
 - The earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea
- **The Great Reality**
 - God will be/must be worshiped
 - Sovereignty/Worship
 - Silent awe
 - A silent stone- a silent god
 - Can this teach?
 - People must come to grips with who God is.
 - Richard Dawkins. All the famous atheists.
 - We to must keep silent before God
 - Contrast with Zephaniah 3... Sing, shout aloud....
 - A time to realize God is God
- **How does this work?**
 - Prayer
 - Word
 - Preoccupation with the glory and wonder of Christ
 - John Owen
 - Habakkuk
 - OT Theophanies- visible manifestations of God's glory
 - All pointed to the ultimate visible manifestation of God's glory: Christ

Pray...

- Back to definition of revival
- The Holy Spirit's great delight is making much of the glory of Christ will reveal our sin which we might repent of- Peter's recognition
- Acts 3.18-20

So What About us?

- Dare we pray this prayer?
- We cry with Moses: show me your glory
- We cry with Isaiah
- What Ezekiel saw

- What Peter saw
- We cry out with the psalmist
- We cry out with Habakkuk
- We repent
- God pours out
 - His church
 - Ezekiel 47