

Welcome To Hillcrest Presbyterian Church

A Service For The Worship Of God

September 10, 2017

We give thanks that God has called us to worship together.

***Opening Hymn #464**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

A Word of Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

Isa. 25:6-9

Leader: Let us be glad and share in God's salvation.

People: God will take away all reproach and will make a feast for the peoples of the earth.

Leader: Let us act with compassion so that we may dry tears.

People: Let us walk with justice so that we may silence reproach.

Leader: Let us make peace with all people so that God's feast may be complete.

Affirmation Of Faith (in unison)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

Hymn: Thy Word

Amy Grant

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Still You're there

Right beside me

Nothing will I fear

As long as You are near

Please be near me to the end

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Thy Word

When I feel afraid

Think I've lost my way

Is a lamp unto my feet

And a light unto my path

Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering

Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
And I will love You to the end
(interlude)

Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

And a light unto my path
You're the light unto my path*

Call To Confession

Leader: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, 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. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Together, let us ask God to forgive our sin.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Glorious God of power and majesty, you bow down to hear our every sigh; deliver us from arrogance and empty vanities. Prevent us from trying to raise ourselves by lowering the barriers of self-defense; grant us the firm security that comes from trust in you and is built with neighborly cooperation and mutual respect. Lead us in the lowly steps of Jesus until we attain the end of a pure joy and eternal victory, through Christ, our servant and sovereign.

(Silent Confession) — In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. So we must consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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.

Passing The Peace Of Christ

Leader: *As a forgiven people, let us share the peace of Christ
The Peace Of Christ Be With You.*

People: And Also With You.

Leader: *Let us turn and greet one another*

Children's Message

Hymn #428

We Give Thee But Thine Own

Minute For Mission

Wayland & Katherine

Prayers Of The People and Lord's Prayer

(You are invited to share out loud your prayer concerns and joys)

Leader: Lord in you mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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.

Prayer Response

Hymn #325 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Spirit divine, attend our prayers,
And make this house your home;
Descend with all your gracious powers;
O come, great Spirit, come!

Offering (let us present our Offerings, Tithes and Gifts to the Lord)

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Choir

Celtic Blessing

Scripture

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon

Missionary - Wayland Dietrich

Hymn: Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone

Chris Tomlin

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

Verse 2

'Twas Grace that taught my heart to
fear
And Grace my fears re - lieved
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set
free
My God, my Savior has ransomed
me

And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love, Amazing Grace

Verse 3

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

*Charge and Benediction

*Response

May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.
May the grace of God shine down upon us, down upon us, and everyone we know.
This is our prayer as we leave this place with our hearts full of love and grace.
May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.

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free

My God, my Savior has ransomed
me

And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love, Amazing Grace

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free

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Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like
snow

The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine*

*=Those for whom it is comfortable are invited to stand

Rev. Jack Cormack
Jennifer McCullough
Jo Lynne Palmerton

Pastor
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