



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

AUGUST 21, 2022

Welcome to Good Shepherd

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If this is your first time with us, we are especially glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters regarding the location of the nursery, restrooms, or just a cup of coffee!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will offer some explanations and hopefully help you participate. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered as we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel each week. We gather not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter and covenant renewal with God. Therefore, our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

We also hope that you will join us after the service. Downstairs in the fellowship hall you will find plenty of refreshments and snacks as well as a warm welcome from our church family. If you have any questions from the sermon you can return to the sanctuary about 15 minutes after the service for our *Ask the Pastor* time. This is a great place to process the wonderful truths of the Gospel that we proclaim.

Lastly, we would love to know that you were here this morning. In the backs of the pews there is an info sheet that you can fill out and put in the offering basket during the service. Don't worry, we won't bombard you with endless emails. We just want an opportunity to say hello. If there is any way that we can pray for you, or if you have questions about the church, you can write those on the back as well.

Wherever you are this morning, our hope is that God would attend to the ministry of His Word, and that you would know the love of your blessed Savior.



A Word to Parents with Young Children

First, we want you to know that we are delighted to have your children in worship with us this morning. There is nothing better that we can give our children than the opportunity to know and worship their Heavenly Father. Any noises that they may make are not an embarrassing distraction, but a beautiful reminder that they are participating in God's means of grace.

We do understand, however, that it is sometimes helpful to have other means of serving our children and families. Through the back doors of the sanctuary you will find a **cry room** if you have little ones that are getting fussy or who need to nurse. We also have an **overflow room** with a live-stream of the service in the downstairs fellowship hall.

Lastly, we have a **nursery** downstairs for children ages 0-3. Staff in the nursery are background checked and trained.

Order of Worship

Preparation

We invite you to take a few moments this morning to prayerfully prepare to meet with and worship the living God.

Preparatory Thought.....

“The best way to prepare us [for prayer], is the very duty itself; as all actions, of the same kind, increase the habits, so prayer makes us fit for prayers; and that is a rule, the way to godliness is in the compass of godliness itself, that is, the way to grow in any grace is the exercise of that grace.” — *John Preston*

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

God's people come because he first calls them. We open our services this way as a reminder that it is God himself who is calling us into his presence this morning.

Call to Worship**John 14:18-21*

Leader: I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

Hymn #53**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

*please stand if able

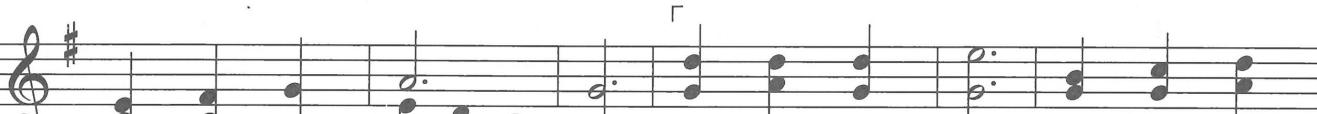
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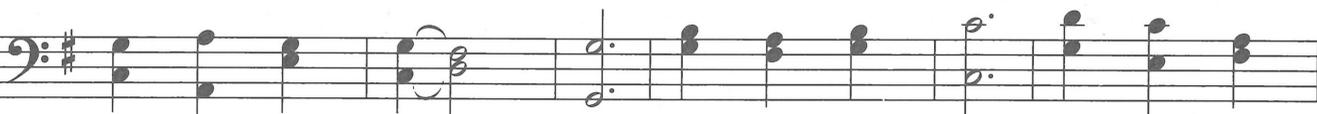
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
• fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
• dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

The Word of God is always sufficient to do the work of God. Therefore, each week we continue the practice of God's people listening to the public reading of scripture.

While it is right for us to confess our sins in light of God's holiness, our forgiveness is not merited through this act or the absolution of a priest. Rather, it is Christ who saves and speaks through His Word to assure us that our sin has been pardoned.

If you are visiting with us there is no expectation for you to contribute to this morning's offering. For those who are giving we remember that we are called to joyful worship of the God who continues to give us all that we need in Christ.

Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....*John 13:36-14:7* (p.900)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....*1 John 1:5-7*

Leader: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Offering/Song.....*In Christ Alone*

Welcoming New Members.....

Congregational Prayer.....

In Christ Alone



1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
2. In Christ a-lone! who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help-less Babel!
3. There in the ground His bod-y lay, light of the world by dark-ness slain;
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This cor-ner-stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the fier-cest drought and storm
This gift of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
then burst-ing forth in glo-rious day up from the grave He rose a-gain!
from life's first cry to fin-al breath, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny.

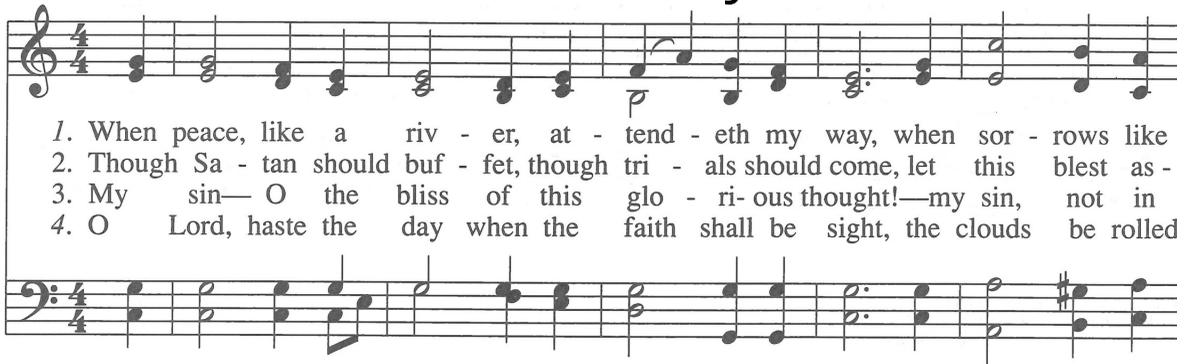


What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease!
Till on that cross, as Je-sus died, the wrath of God was sat-is-fied,
And as He stands in vic-to-ry sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev-er pluck me from His hand;

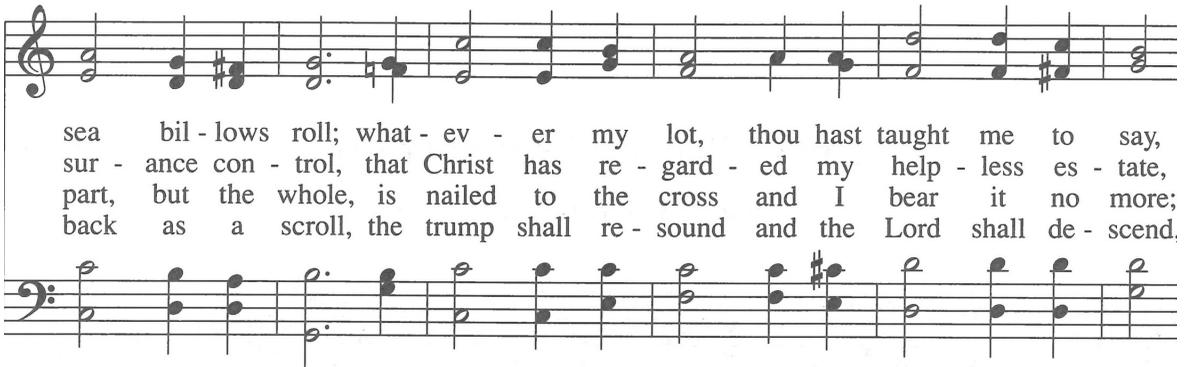


My com-fort-er, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
for ev-ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
for I am His and He is mine; bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
till He re-turms or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

It Is Well with My Soul



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3. My sin— O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled

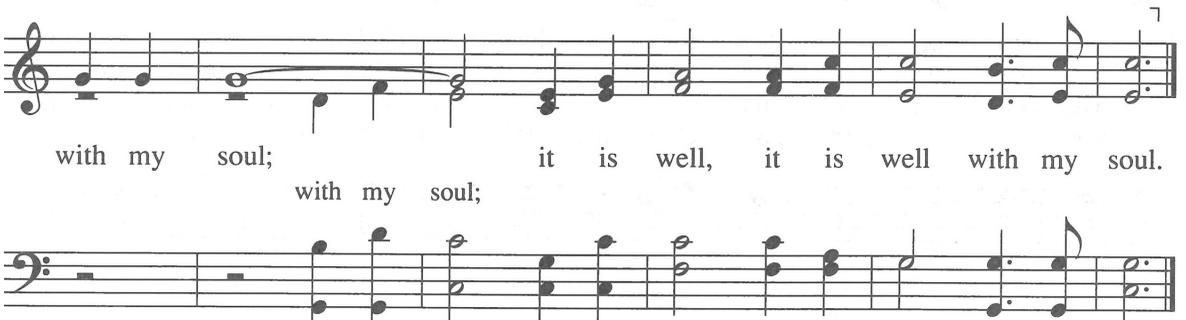


sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend.



REFRAIN

“It is well, it is well with my soul.”
and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
“E - ven so”— it is well with my soul.



with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.
with my soul;

*Each week, we preach, verse
by verse through books of the
Bible so that we are
instructed by the full counsel
of God, rather than whatever
the preacher deems most
important.*

*We celebrate the Lord's
Supper every week trusting
that our Lord is truly,
spiritually present
nourishing His people. If you
are a member of a local
church, have been baptized,
and believe that you are
saved by grace through faith,
then we welcome you to
participate with us.*

Proclamation

Hymn #691**It Is Well with My Soul*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn
"Christ's Credentials" – Hebrews 1:2b-4 (p.1001)

Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper.....

Choir.....*Rock of Ages/Doxology*

Benediction*.....

Sermon Outline

"Christ's Credentials"

Hebrews 1:2b-4 (p.1001)

Big Idea—*Jesus alone is qualified to be God's self-revelation, and he alone is worthy of your faith and obedience.*

Introduction: Establishing Credentials

Christ's Credentials

1. *He is the Creator and appointed Heir of creation.*

2. *He is the essence of God's glory who moves all things to the desired end of God's glory.*

3. *He is the effective Priest and exalted King.*

Conclusion: To Whom Shall You Go?

Sermon Notes

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Choir: Luann LaRoy

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Deacons:
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Rex Webb
Sean O'Brien

Announcements

- If you would like to join a **fellowship group** for the coming year please contact pastor Ryan.
- **Women's Bible Study** will begin on 9/8 and will be studying the book of Exodus this year. The bible study will meet on alternating Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Any questions can be directed to leandraquinn@gmail.com.
- 9/9-10: Redeemer Church, Detroit, is hosting **The Gathered and Scattered Conference** on the mission of the church. Rev. Kevin DeYoung will be the keynote speaker. You can get more information and register here: <https://redeemerdetroit.com/gathered-and-scattered/>
- 9/17: There will be a **men's golf outing** at Grand Prairies Golf Course with a **church-wide cookout** to follow. Please RSVP to Manuel Martinez at macnolos@gmail.com.

Financials

- Total Giving through June (\$141,888)
- Total Expenses through June (\$142,436)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$31,970)

Get Involved

- Join us after the service for our **Ask the Pastor** time where you can follow up on the sermon or ask other Bible and faith questions you may have.
- **Senior and Junior High** students are invited to attend our weekly catechism class after service in the upstairs classrooms.
- **Young Adults** meet every Wednesday for fellowship and a sermon discussion.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening time slots.
- **The choir** meets for practice every Tuesday at 7:00pm.