

JUNE 21, 2020

CHRIST HAS FREED US TO SERVE GOD AND ONE ANOTHER

The Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

arr. G. Young

The Call to Worship

Rev. Dean Williams

The Hymn of Praise

O Worship the King

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

The Invocation

Rev. Williams

The Psalm

God of Our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land by thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay; thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever-sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase, thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way, lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

The Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Scripture Reading

Romans 13

The Offertory

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
arr. Hayes/Gaspard

The Doxology

The Psalm

Psalm 1

O greatly bless-ed is the man who walketh not astray in counsel of ungodly men, nor stands in sinners' way,
Nor sitteth in the scorner's chair, but placeth his delight upon God's law, and meditates on His law day and night.
He shall be like a tree that grows set by the water side, which in its season yields its fruit, and green its leaves abide;
And all he does shall prosper well. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which by the wind is driven to and fro.
In judgment therefore shall not stand such as ungodly are, nor in th'assembly of the just shall wicked men appear.
Because the way of godly men is to Jehovah known, whereas the way of wicked men shall quite be overthrown.

The Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Scripture Reading

I Peter 2:13-17

The Sermon

Rev. Cangelosi

Freedom in Submission to God and the State

The Song of Response

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your holy word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness that the light of Christ might be seen today, in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us, all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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The Benediction

Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude

Passacaglia

G. Young

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Pastor Carl. We are working through the Westminster Shorter Catechism and Scripture proofs (in the ESV) on Sunday evenings. Tonight, we are on Westminster Shorter Catechism #85-86.

*Money, Wealth, and Possessions:
Owner or Steward, Which are You?*

Selected Texts

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Robin and Kelli Ricchetti in loving memory of Warren and Pauline Ricchetti.*

TO EVERYONE WHO VISITS WITH US THIS LORD'S DAY, we welcome you sincerely and from the heart. Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ. We are currently in the first phase of our return to corporate worship in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, utilizing 50% of the seating capacity in our sanctuary and gym, and taking measures to gather safely. Please keep at least three seats between families and be considerate and respectful of your neighbor's choice of greeting, so that as each one assesses the risk of returning, we might serve one another in love.

REOPENING THE CHURCH: The Session has laid out a plan for future phases of returning to corporate activity. In-person evening worship in the sanctuary (50% capacity) begins this evening! We will have a nursery for children 2 and under. On Sunday, July 5, we plan to return to our normal morning worship times of 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. in both the sanctuary and gym at up to 50% capacity. Masks will be required at the 8:30 a.m. service in the gym (we will provide masks for anyone who does not bring their own). During both morning worship services we will resume Church Time during the service. Sunday School for all ages will meet at 10:00 a.m., with all classrooms at 50% capacity and distancing measures in place. In August, as CCS returns to school, we hope to be able to meet at normal capacity in our sanctuary, Lord willing. The plan is to restart the Sanctuary Choir, the Men's Prayer Breakfast, and the 55+ Wednesday Bible Study. Finally, in September, we desire to have our normal Wednesday night ministries, and restart children's choirs and Family Night Supper. These phases are contingent on how the virus affects Mississippi, and how our leaders respond to the situation.

DISABILITY TRAINING ON THURSDAY, JUNE 25, FRIDAY, JUNE 26 & SATURDAY, JUNE 27: POPC is hosting a Joni and Friends hands-on, practical, and Biblical training for 5th grade through adult on how to minister to those with disability in your own community and church. This will be held in E326 (CCS library) and the times for Thursday and Friday is (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.) and (9 a.m. - noon) on Saturday. There will be special topics and workshops on ministry post-COVID, how to support those with physical and behavioral challenges, how to build relationships with adults with disability, and more. There is a \$15 fee to access the online Beyond Suffering course. Please let Daphne Clark know when you sign up. You may Sign-Up: <https://forms.gle/PiWslsDHoJvFPx158>. If you have any questions, contact Daphne at dclark@ccs.ms or (601) 594-4743.

MARGARET SPROW ON SABBATICAL: The Session has approved a sabbatical for Margaret from tomorrow through August 3. Margaret has faithfully served for 27 years without extended time away. Pray for her as she is away from us for these weeks!

OFFICER NOMINATIONS IN JUNE: Nominations for the office of Elder and Deacon will be taken throughout the month of June. Nomination forms are available in the sanctuary, or fill a form out online: tinyurl.com/popcofficernomination.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARK AND SUSAN KOSKO on the birth of their son, James Herrington Kosko. James was born on Friday, June 12, 2020.

DEAR POPC, Words cannot express how much we appreciate your prayers, concern, and love for our family in the passing of Ron's dad. His journey was one of deep faith in the Lord which continued to strengthen us in our daily walk. We realize he was truly upheld by the prayers of saints like you. We also really appreciate the lovely potted plant. It serves as a reminder of your love. *Thanks again, Ron and Laura McMaster*

