



**MIDTOWN**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Evening Worship

## Third Sunday after Epiphany

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Welcome to Worship at Midtown! We are really glad to have you with us for worship today. Whether you have been a Christian for many years, or are trying to sort out what the Christian faith is all about, or are just here as a favor to your friend, we're happy to have you. We have a nursery provided for little ones. You are welcome to keep them in the service with you if you prefer.

### **Reflection**

"Wisdom and love from God come to you every week when he graciously commands you to take time to rest."

--Peter A. Lillback

"The good news that our sins are forgiven because of Christ's death fills our hearts with joy, gives us courage to face the day, and offers us hope that God's favor will rest upon us, not because we are good but because we are in Christ."

--Jerry Bridges

# The Word

## Call to Worship

Psalm 99:9

Exalt the Lord our God,  
and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the Lord our God is holy!

## The Gloria Patri

Music: Charles Meineke

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly  
6  
Ghost. As it was in the be - gin-ing, is now, and ev - er  
10  
shall be, world with-out end. A - men, A - men.

# All Creatures of our God and King

Lyrics: St. Francis of Assisi; Music: William Draper

The musical score is written on four staves in 3/2 time. The lyrics are: All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia! Thou burn-ing sun with gold-en beam, thou sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam, O - praise him, O - praise Him, Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
ye lights of ev'ning find a voice! O praise Him, O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye! Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care! O praise Him, O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise Him, O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Prayer of Invocation

## Call to Confession of Sin

Psalm 130:1-4

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!  
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

## Confession of Sin

[You are invited to confess your sins silently at this time.]

## Psalm 130

Lyrics: Martin Luther; Music: Christopher Minor

From the depths of woe I raise to thee, the voice  
of lam - en - ta - tion; Lord - turn a gra - cious ear  
to me and hear my sup - pli - ca - tion. If thou in - i - qui - ties

*Men:*

dost mark our se - cret sins and mis - deeds dark, O\_ who shall

*Women:* O\_ who shall stand be - fore thee?

stand be - fore thee? *Men:* O\_ who shall

*Women:* Who shall stand be - fore thee?

stand be - fore thee?

To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth;  
 Our works, alas! Are all in vain; In much the best life faileth;  
 No man can glory in Thy sight, All must alike confess Thy might,  
 And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)  
 And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 130:7-8

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Minister: May the peace of Christ be with you!

**All: And also with you!**

## **Psalm 130 (Continued)**

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;  
On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting spirit;  
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support;  
I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) 2x

What though I wait the live-long night, and 'til the dawn appeareth,  
My heart still trusteth in His might; it doubteth not nor feareth;  
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed;  
And wait 'til God appeareth (Wait 'til God appeareth) 2x

Though great our sins and sore our woes  
His grace much more aboundeth;  
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.  
Our Shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free  
From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) 2x

## **The Prayers of the People**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

May God be gracious to us and bless us  
**and make his face to shine upon us.**

(Silent prayer for God to bless this congregation)

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

That your way may be known on earth,  
**your saving power among all nations.**

(Silent prayer for a powerful display of God's saving power here in Tucson)

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**let all the peoples praise you!**

(Silent prayer for our non-Christian friends, family members, and co-workers to begin to follow Jesus)

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

For those who suffer and grieve,

**We ask for your healing peace.**

(Silent prayer for all who suffer.)

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Let us join together in praying as Jesus taught us to pray:

**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.**

## **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 16:13-18

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

John 6:35-40

Reader: The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**



# Revelation Song

Music & Lyrics: Jamie Lee Riddle

*Verse*



Wor-thy is the Lamb who was slain; hol-y, hol-y is he; \_



Sing a new song to him who sits on heav-en's mer-cy seat. \_

*Chorus*



Ho ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord God Al might - y.



Who was \_ and is \_ and is \_ to come; \_



With all cre-a - tion I sing praise to the King of kings; \_



You are my ev-'ry-thing \_ and I will a-dore you!

Clothed in rainbows of living color;  
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor strength and glory and power be  
To you the only wise King. [Chorus]

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of your name.  
Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water;  
Such a marv'lous mystery. [Chorus]

## Gospel Reading

### Mark 6:30-44

<sup>30</sup> The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup> And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup> Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup> When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup> And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup> Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." <sup>37</sup> But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" <sup>38</sup> And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." <sup>39</sup> Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup> So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup> And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup> And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. <sup>44</sup> And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

Minister: The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**People: Praise be to You, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Rev. Phil Kruis  
(Pastor, Rincon Man. Presbyterian Church)

# The Table

## Confession of Faith

--The Heidelberg Catechism, Question #1

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: **That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both 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 all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

## Invitation and Prayer

[Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer.]

## **The Sursum Corda** (Lift Up Your Hearts)

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

All: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **The Words of Institution**

### **The Mystery of Faith**

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: **Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again!**

Minister: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

### **The Giving of the Bread and Cup**

[As you are ready please come forward to receive the bread and the cup. We provide individual cups of grape juice and gluten-free wafers in the tray at the front. We partake in the Supper by intinction, that is, we dip the bread into the cup. Children who have not yet professed their faith in Christ nor been admitted to the Table are encouraged to come forward for a prayer of blessing.]

# Your Labor Is Not In Vain

Lyrics & Music: Kimbrough , Zach, Wardell, Keyes

The image shows a musical score for the song "Your Labor Is Not In Vain". It consists of seven staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line of music is followed by the lyrics "Your la - bor \_ is not in \_ vain though the". The second line is followed by "ground un - der-neath you is cursed and \_ stained. Your". The third line is followed by "plant - ing and reap - ing are ne - ver the same, \_ but your". The fourth line is followed by "la - bor is not \_\_\_ in vain. For I am". The fifth line is followed by "with you. I am with you. I am with you. I am". The sixth line is followed by "with you. For I have called you, called you by name. \_ your". The seventh line is followed by "la - bor is not \_\_\_ in vain." The score ends with a double bar line.

Your la - bor \_ is not in \_ vain though the

ground un - der-neath you is cursed and \_ stained. Your

plant - ing and reap - ing are ne - ver the same, \_ but your

*Chorus*

la - bor is not \_\_\_ in vain. For I am

*- to verse 2*

with you. I am with you. I am with you. I am

with you. For I have called you, called you by name. \_ your

la - bor is not \_\_\_ in vain.

Your labor is not unknown,  
Though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan.  
The place of your toil may not seem like a home,  
But your labor is not unknown [chorus]

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit;  
The fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth;  
For all that is old will at last be made new,  
The vineyards you plant will bear fruit [chorus]

The houses you labor to build  
Will finally with laughter and joy be filled;  
The serpent that hurts and destroys will be killed  
And all that is broken be healed [chorus]

# We Will Feast In the House of Zion

Lyrics and Music: Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and accessible, with some rests and a key signature change to 2/4 time in the third measure of the third staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

We will feast in the house of Zi - on! We will sing with our  
hearts re-stored. He has done great things, we will say to - ge - ther,  
We will feast and weep no more. 1. We will not be  
burned by the fire: He is the Lord our God. We are not con-  
sumed by the flood. Up-held, pro-tect-ed, ga - thered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn, My soul, be not afraid.  
For the promised morning, oh how long?  
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the Faithful one.  
And from the garden to the grave, Bind us together, bring shalom!

## Benediction

# Notes

**Offering:** We have placed an offering box at the back of the sanctuary that you can use as you enter or leave. You can also give online at our website [www.mpctucson.org](http://www.mpctucson.org).

**Email List:** Please sign up for our email list on the table in the back. We send out the bulletin and announcements every week before worship and would love to include you.

**Women's Bible Study** Wednesday 1/29, at 7:00, at the Garland's home (1324 N Norton Ave). We'll be studying chapter 2 of Tim Keller's book on Romans 1-7.

**February Book Studies:** Women: Friday, February 7th, at 7 PM at Julie Garland's house to discuss Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe. Men: Tuesday, February 11, at Matt McReynolds' house to discuss The Coddling of the American Mind by Greg Lukianoff and Jonathan Haidt.

**Super Bowl Sunday Time Change:** We will meet at 3:00 instead of 4:00 on Sunday, February 2, so you can go to Super Bowl parties. Sara Edgar is organizing for people who want to host game watching or a TableTalk that week.

**Welcome Rev. Phil Kruis:** Phil is pastor of Rincon Mtn. Presbyterian Church, which is our Mother Church, as much as any. Phil's vision and prayers for a Midtown congregation and RUF ministry were the impetus for our beginning.

**Pastor:** Charles Garland  
**Music Director:** Sarah Lewis  
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