

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

June 4, 2017 Worship 10:30am

Reflection

"To feel our sins and know our sickness is the beginning of real Christianity. To be sensible of our corruption and abhor our own transgressions is the first symptom of spiritual health. Happy indeed are they who have found out their soul's disease! Let them know that Christ is the very Physician they require, and let them apply to him without delay."— J. C. Ryle, *Expository Thoughts on the Gospels*

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

***Call to Worship** **Psalm 117**
Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

*Invocation

*Hymns of Praise

I Sing the Almighty Power of God, Hymn #119

Isaac Watts, 1715; Arr. By Ralph Vaughan Williams

Come Ye Sinners

J. Hart/M. Smith; © 2000 detuned radio music

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded sick and sore;

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with power;
He is able, He is able, He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh,
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy-laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'till you're better, you will never come at all;
Not the righteous, not the righteous: sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, not of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him;
This He gives you, this He gives you; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! Th' Incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood;
Venture on him, venture wholly; let no other trust intrude:
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

Confession of Sin

"Jesus, you see our great need and are not ashamed of us. We are crippled and afflicted by weakness and sin, but you rushed to rescue us. You took on the weakness of our human bodies and entered our sin-infested world in order to live the life we could not live. Thank you for seeing the needs of those around you, for loving them in their brokenness, and serving them with pure compassion, clean hands, and a pure heart. Thank you for your perfect obedience, which is credited to us, even though we continue to struggle every day with selfish hearts that lack compassion."

— Barbara DuGuid and Wayne DuGuid Houk, *Prone to Wander*

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness and Pardoning Grace **Lam. 3:21-23**

This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: the steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

*Song of Assurance

He Will Hold Me Fast

Original words vv 1,2 by Ada Habershon; New words & music by Matt Merker
©2013 Getty Music Publishing (BMI)
Matt Merker Music (BMI) (Administered by musicservices.org)

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

CHORUS: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast.
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life; He will hold me fast;
'Til our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last!

Gospel in Action

Fill out and pass the Fellowship Pads on each row. Guests, we are honored by your presence today. CPC members and friends, use the pad to update personal information, leave comments, or share prayer requests. High School graduates will be recognized.

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Tithes and Offerings

II Corinthians 9:6, 7

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Offertory

K4 and K5 children are dismissed to the library for Teach Me to Worship.

*Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

*Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Patience, Humility, and Hope

Matthew Icard

*Song of Response

Cornerstone

Edward Mote, Eric Liljero, Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan, & William B. Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

CHORUS: Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

INTERLUDE: He is Lord Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

*Benediction

*Postlude

Learning Evangelism from Jesus

Patience, Humility, and Hope

Matthew 15:21-28

I. Jesus defies our expectations (15:21-23).

II. Jesus destroys our self-sufficiency (15:24-27).

III. Jesus delights in our salvation (15:28).

Prayer for the week: That the Lord would teach us to love those who are desperate and needy in both word and deed.

Worship leaders today: Matthew Icard, Teaching Elder; Bill Caldwell, Ruling Elder; Laurie Parsons, Music Director; and Derek Parsons, Pianist

Announcements

Sunday Evening Series begins TONIGHT at 6pm. We look forward to a relaxed time of singing, a teaching series called *Jonah & the Relentless Grace of God*, and trivia! Bring a plate of cookies and come hang out with us! Nursery is provided at the beginning during singing and teaching. We'll meet on June 11 and 25 and July 9 and 23 with a special activity each week.

Circle 4 meets June 12th at 9:30am in 1E6. A nursery will be provided.

Children's Sunday School assistants are needed for the summer. If you would like to help, contact Becky Sinclair at becky.sinclair@clemsontpres.org

Women's' Summer Book Study starts the week of June 5th and ends the week of July 31st to study *Transformed: Life-taker to Life-giver* by Karen Hodge and Susan Hunt. Discussions take place on Mondays at 7pm and Wednesdays at 9:15am in the fellowship hall side room. Women may choose to attend either discussion time. Books are available in the foyer or the church office. Contact Paula Miles (paula.miles@clemsontpres.org) with questions.

Operation Christmas Child is collecting toys for the month of June. Suggestions include cars, yo-yos, flashlights, puzzles, balls, tool sets for older children, jump ropes, stuffed animals, and art/craft supplies. There is be a bin by the Children's Ministry cubby to place these items.

Marketplace: Ephesus VBS is June 20-23, 9:30-12 for ages completed K4-5th grade. Volunteer and/or register children at clemsontpres.org/marketplace. We need dried petals for the herb shop. Thanks for all the toilet paper and paper towel rolls-we have all that we need.

Preschool Bible Camp will run July 10-13, 9:30-11:30am for ages 2yo (by September 1, 2016) through completed K5. To volunteer and to register your children visit clemsontpres.org/biblecamp. Paper forms are at the welcome counter and children's ministry cubby. There is a small fee for Preschool Bible Camp. Fees are waived for children who have a parent or grandparent volunteering.

News for Newcomers

Stay in touch! Connect with us on social media or subscribe to our weekly emails at clemsontpres.org/contact

Inquirers' Class meets in room 2W4. All interested in becoming members of CPC are invited as we talk about who we are, what we believe, and what we want to be in Christ. To sign up or get more information, contact steve.dickey@clemsontpres.org.

Ongoing Ministry Opportunities

Sunday Morning: Sunday School 9-10am, Worship Service 10:30-11:45am

Weekly Sunday Evening Activities: Resume in the Fall (Youth Ensemble, Children's Ministry, Middle School Youth, Small Groups, High School Youth)

Wednesday Evening Programs: Prayer meeting (7pm, 1E6), choir (7pm, Worship Center)

Men's Friday Morning Breakfast resumes fall 2017.

Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:45-8:30pm, Family Room. Contact Paula Miles (paula.miles@clemsontpres.org) for information

All songs used by permission: CCLI #237085

Sermons, Manuscripts, and Worship Folders are available on the church website and also by request.