

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Sunday, March 6, 2022

Reflection

"Maybe when people longed for a thing that had the longing made them trust in anything that might give it to them."

— Carson McCullers, *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 18:1-2

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

People: *The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,*

Leader: My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge.

People: *I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,*

All: *And I am saved from my enemies.*

*Invocation

*Songs of Praise

Goodness Of God

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I love You Lord, oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head, I will sing of the goodness of God

CHORUS: All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire
In darkest night, You are close like no other
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God (CHORUS)

BRIDGE: Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything, Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

CHORUS

TAG: I will sing of the goodness of God

We Praise You, O God, Hymn #97

Julia Cady Cory, 1902; Mod.; Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.

We lay it before you, we kneel and adore thee,

We bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers, we bless you;
Through life's storm and tempest our guide you have been.
When perils o'ertake us, escape you will make us,
And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer,

To you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.

Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,

To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.

Confession of Sin

Isaiah 64:6-9

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace

Titus 3:3-5a

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy.

*Hymn of Assurance

He Will Hold Me Fast

A. R. Habershon, M. Merker

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. (CHORUS)

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! (CHORUS 2x)

Tithes and Offerings

Deuteronomy 8:18

You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

*There are offering boxes at each exit, or you may give online

**Kindergarten through 2nd grade are dismissed to the library for Engage. They will rejoin the congregation during the final song.

Congregational Prayer

Reading of Scripture

Isaiah 46:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Song of Meditation

Psalm 45: Fairest Of All

Sean Carter, Shane Barnard

Sermon

I Will Carry You

*Hymn of Response

Jesus, I Am Resting

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Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, and Thy beauty fills my soul.
For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.

CHORUS: Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art.
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

O how great Thy loving kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous Thy goodness, lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in Thee, beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine.
Know Thy certainty of promise, and have made it mine. (CHORUS)

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art.
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longing, meets, supplies its every need.
Compasseth me round with blessing; Thine is love indeed!

Ever lift Thy face upon me as I work and wait for Thee;
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace.

CHORUS 2x

*Benediction

Congregational Meeting: After the service today we'll have a congregational meeting to elect elder candidates.

Newcomers' Class

The next newcomers' class begins March 13th at 9am in 2W4. If you're new to CPC or considering membership this five-week class is a great place to start. If you have any questions, email Steve (steve.dickey@clemsontpres.org)

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BEHOLD YOUR GOD

I Will Carry You
Isaiah 46:1-4

I. Exhaustion (46:1-2)

II. Salvation (46:3-4)