

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

June 18, 2017 Worship 10:30am

Reflection

"That God should love the good, the righteous, the pure, the godly, is what we can understand; but that the infinitely Holy should love the unholy and give his Son for their redemption is the wonder of all wonders."
-Charles Hodge

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

*Call to Worship Isaiah 66:1-2

"Thus says the LORD: 'Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool; what is the house that you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest? All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the LORD. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.'"

*Invocation

*Song of Praise

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing, Hymn #164
Charles Wesley, 1739; Arr. By Lowell Mason, 1839

Lord I Need You

Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson, Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, and Matt Maher

Lord I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

CHORUS: Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Confession of Sin

"Forgive us for our selfish desire to have others serve us, and for our love of power and influence. You call us to be servants who lovingly pour out our lives for those around us. Lord, our hearts are deceitful, desperately wicked, and relentlessly self-focused. When we do honor, care for, and serve others, we secretly hope that people are watching and noticing so that our humility will be applauded and praised. As a result, our best acts of love toward others are often actually directed toward ourselves, as we use them to impress you and build our resumes before a watching world. Forgive us for our very deep sinfulness."

— Barbara Duiguid and Wayne Duguid Houk, *Prone to Wander*

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness and Pardoning Grace Romans 5:6-8

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

*Song of Assurance

Jesus, Thank You

Pat Sczebel; © 2003 Integrity's Hosanna Music

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend;
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son,
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

CHORUS: Your blood has washed away my sin: Jesus, thank You
The Father's wrath completely satisfied: Jesus, thank You
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table: Jesus, thank You

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near;
Your enemy You've made Your friend
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace;
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

BRIDGE: Lover of my soul, I want to live for You

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.

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

I Chronicles 16:29

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering and come before Him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Offertory

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

*Scripture Reading

Matthew 8:5-13

*Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

The Faith of the Enemy

Matthew Icard

*Hymn of Response

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

words T. Kelly 1850; music P. Palmertree

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long expected prophet, David's Son, yet David's Lord;
By His Son, God now has spoken: 'Tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning, was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning, Foes insulting His distress:
Many hands were raised to wound Him, none would interpose to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him was the stroke that Justice gave

Ye who think of sin but lightly, nor suppose the evil great,
Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the Sacrifice appointed! See Who bears the awful load!
'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man, and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost.
Christ's the Rock of our salvation, His the Name of which we boast.
Lamb of God for sinners wounded! Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded who on Him their hope have built

*Benediction

*Postlude

Learning Evangelism from Jesus

The Faith of the Enemy

Matthew 8:5-13

I. The work of God is remarkable (8:10-11)

II. The wrath of God is undeniable (8:12)

III. The word of God is powerful (8:5-10, 12)

Prayer for the Week: The Holy Spirit will empower us to speak often and well of Christ this week.

Worship leaders today: Matthew Icard & Steve Dickey, Teaching Elders; Steve Steadings, Music Leader; and Derek Parsons, Pianist

Announcements

Sunday Evening Series meets June 25 to sing, continue our series in *Jonah and the Relentless Grace of God*, and play Bingo! Bring your favorite dip and we'll bring chips and crackers! Nursery is provided during singing and teaching. Save the date for July 9 and 23 for the last two meetings!

Women's Night Out is June 27 at 6pm! Join us for dinner at McAlisters. Let Betsy know if you're coming (betsy.a.barron@gmail.com).

Tilla Williamon just turned 102! Send her a card to 115 Gillespie Rd Apt 116B Residences At Park Place Seneca, SC 29678.

Build Ephesus in a day! Come help set up for Marketplace on Sunday, June 18 at 5:30. We'll put up tents and transform them into shops and carry tables and benches from the garage. Pray for our week which starts Tuesday at 9:30.

Family Promise: We are hosting homeless families July 16th-23rd. Join us in serving these families! We need food items, hosts to spend the night, workers to setup and take down, and other support tasks. Sign up or get more information in the lobby of the Worship Center or contact Cheryl Watson at cwatsonhome@att.net or 864-506-1280.

Operation Christmas Child is collecting toys for the month of June, but you can bring any item for the shoeboxes. There is a bin by the Children's Ministry cubby to place these items.

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

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. Email Paula at paula.miles@clemsonpres.org for information.

Stewardship Report, May 2017

General Fund Budget Needs YTD	\$1,017,928.15
Giving to General Fund YTD	\$1,035,453.64
Actual Expenditures YTD	\$ 976,543.42
Difference: Over (Under)	\$ 58,910.22

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