

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

September 11, 2022 at 10 am

"Grace and peace be yours in abundance." (1 Peter 1:2)

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Based on Psalm 9:1-2

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HYMN #139: "COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING"

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing, Help us to praise:
Father, all-glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend:
Come, and Thy people bless, And give Thy word success;
Spirit of holiness, On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour:
Thou who almighty art, Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To Thee, great One in Three,
The highest praises be, Hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty May we in glory see,
And to eternity Love and adore.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our Eternal King and Father,
Your Son died and was raised up in power.
Now enable us to die to our sin in repentance
so we may rise to new life in Him.

We confess that:
though you should guide us, we inform ourselves;
though you should rule us, we control ourselves;
though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves.
We think your truth too high, your will too hard,
your power too remote, your love too free.

But they are not!

Now heal our confused minds with your word,
heal our divided wills with your law,
heal our troubled consciences with your love,
heal our anxious hearts with your presence,
all for the sake of your Son,
who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

After corporate prayer we will have a few moments of silence for personal confession.

CHOIR: "I WANT TO BE READY"

THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: *"Chosen, Sanctified, Sprinkled"*—Chuck Guth

1 Peter 1:1-2

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, ² who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood:

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"WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR"

Wonderful merciful Savior,
Precious Redeemer and Friend,
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men;
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

*You are the One that we praise;
You are the One we adore;
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for,
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace,
You offer hope when our hearts
Have hopelessly lost the way;
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. **[REFRAIN]**

* *Please stand if you are able*

Almighty, infinite, Father,
Faithfully loving Your own;
Here in our weakness You find us,
Falling before Your throne;
Oh, we're falling before Your throne. **[REFRAIN]**

*"Wonderful Merciful Savior" by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse,
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

*The ceramic jars in the offering plates are designated for the Deacons' Fund **and** the World Vision Fund. Our deacons provide care, support, and financial assistance to those in the congregation in need. The World Vision Fund supports a Sponsored Child through World Vision.*

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: "THE APOSTLES' CREED"

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, Our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sits on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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HYMN #438: "BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS"

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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