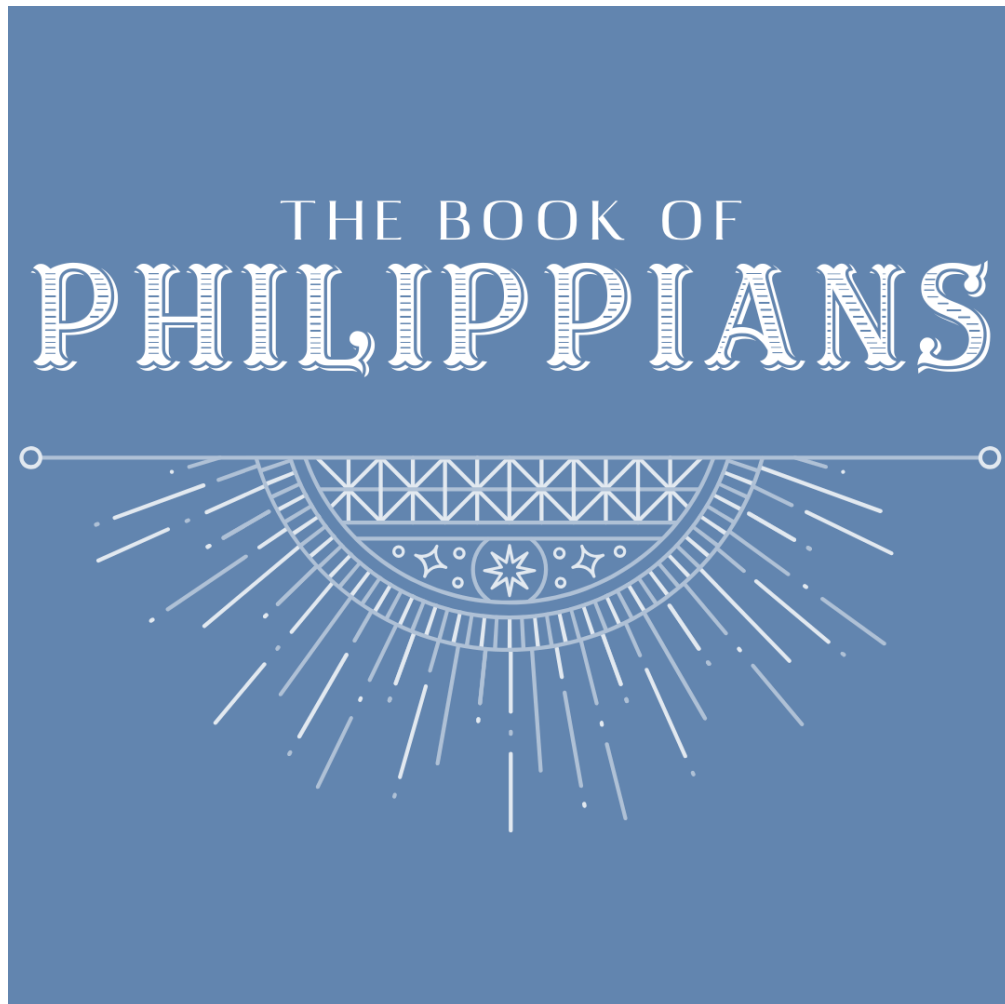




CORNERSTONE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

Fourth Sunday in Epiphany

02 February 2020

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.

Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

Introit—O Splendor of God's Glory Bright, Vs I

O Splendor of God's glo - ry bright, O thou that bring - est light from light, O
Light of light, light's liv - ing spring, O Day, all day's il - lum - in - ing.

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: a treble staff with a melody and a bass staff with a harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

Text: St. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Music: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR, Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621.

Call to Worship—Psalm 5:2-4, 7-8, 11-12

Pastor: Give attention to the sound of my cry,

All: My King and my God, for to you do I pray.

Pastor: O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice;

All: **in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.**

Pastor: For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

All: **But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.**

Pastor: I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

All: **Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.**

Pastor: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy,

and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you.

All: **For you bless the righteous, O LORD; you cover him with favor as with a shield.**

Hymn of Praise—Give Thanks to God the Lord

Give thanks to God the Lord; up - on His Name now call. Make
Look to the Lord's great strength; re - mem - ber all His deeds. His
Sing to the Lord, all earth; His sav - ing power pro - claim. De -
Give thanks to God the Lord; His good - ness now de - clare. He
known a - mong the peo - ple on earth what He has done for all. Sing
judg - ments are in all of the earth; He is the Lord in - deed. His
clare His glo - ry to ev - ery race; His marve - lous deeds now name. For
saves, de - liv - ers from eve - ry foe; His love en - dures for - e'er. Give

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: a treble staff with a melody and a bass staff with a harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

praise to Him, now sing; His won - drous acts pro - claim. Re -
 cov' - nant e'er will stand; His oath He'll ne'er for - get. A
 great is God the Lord, most worth - y of all praise. He
 thanks un - to His Name and glo - ry in His praise; Praise

joice, all you who seek the Lord; come glo - ry in His Name.
 thou - sand gen - er - a - tions pass; God's word con - tin - ues yet.
 made the heav - ens and the earth; fear Him and give Him praise.
 to the God of Is - ra - el for ev - er - last - ing days.

Text: Susan H. Peterson, 1999; Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1868.

Hymn of Praise—Ye Servants of God

Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, And pub - lish a - broad His
 God rul - eth on high, al - migh - ty to save, And still He is nigh, His
 "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne!" Let all cry a - loud and
 Then let us a - dore and give Him His right, All glo - ry and power, all

won - der - ful Name; The Name all vic - tor - ious of Je - sus ex -
 pres - ence we have; The great con - gre - ga - tion His tri - umph shall
 hon - or the Son; The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro -
 wis - dom and might; All hon - or and bless - ing with an - gels a -

tol, His king - dom is glor - ious and rules o - ver all.
 sing, As - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Jes - us, our King.
 claim, Fall down on their fac - es and wor - ship the Lamb.
 bove, And thanks nev - er ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

Text: Charles Wesley, *Hymns in Times of Trouble and Persecution*, 1744;
 Music: LYONS, Johann Michael Haydn, 1737-1806, Arr. In William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815.

New Testament Reading—Ephesians 3:14-19

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family^(s) in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Sung Response—Search Me, O God

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

Search me, O God, and know my heart to - day;
Lord, take my life, and make it whol - ly thine;

try me, O Sav - ior, know my thoughts, I pray.
fill my poor heart with thy great love di - vine.

See if there be some wick - ed way in me;
Take all my will, my pas - sion, self, and pride;

cleanse me from eve - ry sin and set me free.
I now sur - ren - der, Lord. In me a - bide.

Text: J. Edwin Orr, 1936; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2018. © 2018 Greyfriars Press, Used by Permission.

Corporate Confession of Sin—based on I John 1:5-10

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. We have heard your message
and it has been proclaimed to us.
You are light, and in You there is no darkness at all.

All: If we say we have fellowship with you while we walk in darkness,
we lie and do not practice the truth.

Pastor: But if we walk in the light as You are in the light, we have fellowship with one another.

All: And the blood of Jesus Your Son cleanses us from all sin.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves.

All: And the truth is not in us.

Pastor: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

All: If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—I John 5:1-3

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.

Hymn of Praise—Psalm 5: Hear My Words

Hear my words, O gracious Lord, To my thoughts at - ten - tive be;
With the morn - ing light, O Lord, Thou shalt hear my voice a - rise,
Thou art ho - ly, O my God, Thou de - light - est not in sin;
In the full - ness of Thy grace To Thy house I will re - pair;

Hear my cry, my King, my God, I will make my prayer to Thee.
And ex - pec - tant I will bring Prayer as mor - ning sac - ri - fice.
E - vil shall not dwell with Thee, Nor the proud Thy fav - or win.
Bow - ing toward Thy ho - ly place, Lost in love I wor - ship there.

Text: Psalter 1912; Music: GDW, Adapted from *Keine Schönheit hat die Welt* by Johann Scheffler, 1657

GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Philippians I:3-11

³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Sermon—Press on Toward the Goal: A Study of Philippians, Part 2

A Pastor's Petition

—Ben Griffith, *Pastor*

Sung Response—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth, Vs 1

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Teach me, O Lord, Thy way of truth, And from it I will not de - part; That I may stead - fast - ly o - bey, Give me an un - der - stand - ing heart."

Text: Joseph P. Holbrook, ca. 1878; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, ca. 1567.

Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into Heaven
 and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
 from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We 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.

* "Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

Sung Response—Gloria

WOMEN



MEN



We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks for Your glo - ry.

We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks.

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.

Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.

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. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.

At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.

Hymn of Communion—Psalm III: O Give the Lord Wholehearted Praise



O give the Lord whole - heart - ed praise, To Him thanks - giv - ing
The won - drous works that God has wrought His peo - ple ev - er
His works are true and just in - deed, His pre - cepts are for -



I will bring; With all His peo - ple I will raise My voice and
keep in mind; His works with grace and mer - cy fraught, Re - veal - ing
ev - er sure; In truth and right - eous - ness de - creed, They shall for -



of His glo - ry sing. His saints de - light to search and
that the Lord is kind. God's pro - mise shall for - ev - er
ev - er - more en - dure. From Him His saints' re - demp - tion



trace His migh - ty works and won - drous ways; Ma - jes - tic
stand, He cares for those who trust His Word; Up - on His
came; His cov' - nant sure no change can know; Let all re -



glo - ry, bound - less grace, And right - eous - ness His work dis - plays.
saints His migh - ty hand The wealth of na - tions has con - ferred.
vere His ho - ly Name In Heav'n a - bove and earth be - low.

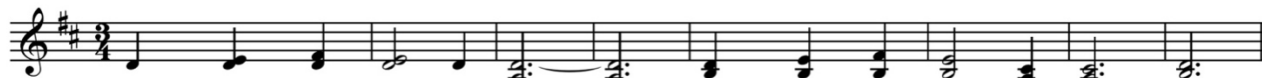


In rev' - rence and in god - ly fear Man finds the gate to wis - dom's ways;



The wise His ho - ly Name re - vere; Through end - less ag - es sound His praise.

Hymn of Communion—Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ



Thy works, not mine, O Christ, Speak glad - ness to this heart;
 Thy wounds, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my bruis - ed soul;
 Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the awe - full load
 Thy death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ran - som due;
 Thy right - eous - ness, O Christ, A - lone can cov - er me;



They tell me all is done, They bid my fear de - part.
 Thy stripes, not mine, con - tain The balm that makes me whole.
 Of sins that none could bear But the in - car - nate God.
 Ten thou - sand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.
 No right - eous - ness a - vails Save that which is of Thee.



To whom save Thee, who canst a - - lone



For sin a - - tone, Lord, shall I flee?

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Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

If you are not able to partake in the Lord's Supper today, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth. Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief. Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment. Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

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.*

Hymn of Praise—Rock of Ages



Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
Not the la - bor of my hands Can ful - fill Thy law's de-mands;
Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eyes shall close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
Could my zeal no re - spite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less look to thee for grace;
When I soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—Ephesians 3:20-21

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Sung Response—Barocha (Numbers 6:24)

The Lord bless you and keep__ you. The Lord make His face shine up - on__ you,
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er. The
Lord be gra - cious to__ you. The Lord turn His face__ to - ward__ you,
and give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.
And give you peace, and give you peace, and give you peace for - ev - er.

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Prayer Focus—Dan and Julie Meyers, Pilgrim Road Ministries, live in Clarksville, TN and minister to the U.S. Army stationed at Ft. Campbell, home of the 101st Airborne Division. Their ministry consists of discipling young military personnel through Bible Studies and hosting fellowships in their home. Please pray for Dan and Julie in the following ways:

- Pray for increased outreach opportunities for the Meyers family as they attend and serve at the Chapel on post.
- Pray for Dan as he continues seeking partnership with the battalion chaplains and connects with guys for discipleship.
- Pray for spiritual fruit as the Meyers open their home for regular (monthly or biweekly) meals for those coming to studies or involved in their discipling ministry.

1. Name some particular, specific reasons why Philippians I:6 is good news for you today (“*And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ*”).
2. How does confidence in what God will complete in the future produce joy for you in the present? What are some areas in your life that would look different next week, if you were to live more aware and mindful of this confidence and joy?
3. Our source of love for other people must be the love of Christ and not our own. How is this both extremely humbling and extremely comforting?
4. How should Paul’s prayer in I:9-II shape the way that we pray for ourselves and others?
5. Reflect on this verse from Augustus Toplady’s hymn, “A Debtor to Mercy Alone.” How does this beautiful truth connect with you today?

*The work which his goodness began,
The arm of his strength will complete;
His promise is yea and amen,
And never was forfeited yet.
Things future, nor things that are now,
Nor all things below or above,
Can make him his purpose forgo,
Or sever my soul from his love.*

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