

The Lord's Service

September 16, 2018

*All who are able, please stand.

Prelude

*Song of Praise with Greeting

Great Is The Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;

By His power we trust in His love.

Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true;

By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!

Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:

Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:

Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

(1982 Meadowgreen Music)

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

In silent meditation, prepare to meet the *just* God in worship.

*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 29.10-13

LEADER: Therefore, David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: “Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our Father, forever and ever.”

PEOPLE: **Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Yours.**

LEADER: Yours in the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

PEOPLE: **Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all.**

LEADER: In Your hand are power and might, and in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength all.

PEOPLE: **And now we thank You, our God, and praise Your glorious name.**

*Salutation

Pastor Jones

*Hymn

No. 119

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

*Invocation

Elder Jason Coffey

God Cleanses Us

Reading of the Law of God

LEADER: Hear now the commandments of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment.

PEOPLE: **And the second, like unto it is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’”**

LEADER: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded?

PEOPLE: **No, but we have sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed.**

LEADER: Then confess your sins to the Lord for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Almighty God,
we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned
against You in thought, word, and deed;
we have not loved You
with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength;
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have
done,
and the good we have left undone.

Lord, You are full of compassion and gracious,
slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy;
there is always forgiveness with You!

Restore to us the joy of Your salvation;
bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,
strength to our wills, and rest to our souls.
Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us
until it has wrought in us Your holy will,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the good news...
...The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn

Glory Be to God the Father

Coronae, 87.87.47

$\text{♩} = 115$

1. Glo-ry be to God the Fa-ther! Glo - ry be to God the Son! Glo-ry be to
 2. Glo-ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from all sin and stain! Glo-ry be to
 3. Glo-ry to the King of an-gels! Glo - ry to the Church-'s King! Glo-ry to the
 4. Glo-ry, bless-ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of an - gels sings, Hon-or, rich-es,

God the Spir - it! God Al - might - y, Three in One! Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 King of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais-es bring: Glo - ry, glo - ry,
 power, do - min - ion! Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo - ry, glo - ry,

While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
 To the Lamb that once was slain!
 To the King of Glo - ry sing!
 Glo-ry to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1866; alt. 2005

Tune: William Henry Monk, 1871

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Readings

Elder Todd Gaither

Isaiah 2.10-17 (p. 568)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Choir

Nearer, My God, to Thee

Heather Smith, cello

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee,
E'vn though it be a cross that raiseth me.
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer my God to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Oh, let the way appear, leading to heav'n,
All that Thou sendest me, in mercy giv'n.
Thy spirit beckons me, nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer my God to Thee, nearer to Thee.

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest,
There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest.
Age after age to be nearer, my God to Thee!
Nearer, my God to Thee, nearer to Thee.

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*Doxology

No. 731

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

*Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

*Hymn

No. 316

The Mighty God, the Lord

Psalm 50.1-6

Scripture Lesson

2 Thessalonians 1.1-12 (p. 989)

Sermon

Pastor Jones

SLOW AND STEADY

*Hymn

No. 707

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

*Confession of Faith (in unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of

God the Father Almighty.

From there He will 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.

*Gloria Patri

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Postlude

[†] "catholic" -- universal