



Longview Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Coming together
to know Christ and to make him known

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CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

“Jesus, Shepherd of my Heart”

Music and Lyrics: Diane Hannibal, Arr: Faye Lopez, © 2019 Lorenz Music Company

Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Shelley Kral

Pastor: Know this: GOD is God, and God, GOD.

**People: He made us; we didn't make him.
We're his people, his well-tended sheep.**

Pastor: So bring him a gift of laughter, sing in Jesus' presence.

**All: We will thank him. We will worship him.
For he is sheer beauty and all-generous love.** (Psalm 100)

*10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Refrain: Bless the Lord O my soul! O my soul, worship His holy name!
Sing like never before, O my soul! I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me;
Let me be singing when the evening comes.
You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind!
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing.
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find! *[Refrain]*

And on that day when my strength is failing.
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending;
Ten thousand years and then forevermore! *[Refrain]*

Worship Your holy name. Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

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*All Creatures of Our God and King (Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
“Alleluia! Alleluia!”
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam;
O praise Him. O praise Him. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let all things their Creator bless! And worship Him in humbleness!
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son! And praise the Spirit, Three in One.
O praise Him. O praise Him. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below!
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!
O praise Him. O praise Him. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Welcome! May each person who enters through our church doors this morning find great joy and spiritual nourishment as we worship together. Again, welcome to all of you today!

Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.

Please sign the friendship pads located at the end of each pew.

Why these worship side bars? In reading 1 Corinthians 14, we notice a large principle Paul is trying to draw for the church's worship, namely that our public worship is to be intelligible (or understandable) to all kinds of hearers. Worship side bars are an attempt to help us to understand why we do what we do and what certain elements signify and mean in our service. Whether you've worshiped with us for a while, or whether you're new; whether you're a Christian or don't consider yourself a follower of Jesus, our hope is that these notes help make this time informed and purposeful.

What is a Prayer of Lament? God encourages us to worship him through lament, a form of prayer that cries out to God about things we see going on around us that contradict his character, ways or promises. The typical rhythm of a lament addresses God with an issue of complaint and an expression of trust. About a third of the psalms contained in the book of Psalms are laments, and, as its name suggests, the book of Lamentations is full of them!

PRAYER OF LAMENT

Eye of the Storm

Refrain: In the eye of the storm You remain in control.
In the middle of the war, You guard my soul.
You alone are the anchor when my sails are torn.
Your love surrounds me in the eye of the storm.

When the solid ground is falling out from underneath my feet,
Between the black skies and my red eyes I can barely see.
When I realize I've been sold out by my friends and my family,
I can feel the rain reminding me.

When my hopes and dreams are far from me and I'm runnin' out of faith,
I see the future I picture, slowly fade away.
And when the tears of pain and heartache are pouring down my face,
I find my peace in Jesus' name. [*Refrain*]

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CHILDREN'S LESSON

SONG OF ILLUMINATION

**Speak, O Lord*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us.
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness.
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

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SERMON LESSON

1 Kings 20; 21:17-29; 22:29-40

Doug Ashley

SERMON

“Ahab: The Man Who Got Used”

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)”

Refrain: In You I rest! In You I found my hope.
In You I trust. You never let me go.
I place my life within Your hands alone.
Be still my soul. (Be still my soul. Be still my soul.)

Be still my soul the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord.
When disappointment grief and fear are gone;
Sorrow forgot, Love's purest joys restored.
Be still my soul when change and tears are past.
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last. [*Refrain*]

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*** AFFIRMATION 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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***At the Cross**

*Refrain: At the cross, at the cross,
I surrender my life.
I'm in awe of You. I'm in awe of You.
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white;
I owe all to You. I owe all to You, (Jesus!)*

*There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies.
There's a place where streams of grace flow deep and wide.
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood, comes flowing down. [Refrain]*

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***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Praise Team

**Please stand as able*

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What does it mean to go out into the life as a Christian? One way of thinking about what it means to be a Christian is that you have moved from knowing about God to knowing God. You have received the love of God in such a way that your status is changed - your sins are wiped out and you know he accepts you as perfectly righteous in his sight, which also renews you on the inside. Knowing God occurs when the truth overflows your mind into all the rest of you. It's when the truth about God, or the truth about who you are as a Christian, or the truth about Christ all of a sudden makes your rationality go crazy so that your rationality can't handle it anymore and it just bubbles up and flows out... it goes ballistic in your life so you can't keep it contained just to your mind anymore. It flows out into your feelings. It flows out into your will. It flows out into every part of you. (Adapted from "Beholding the Love of God" sermon by Tim Keller, 1995)