January 20th, 2019

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)

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Moments of Meditation

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

"Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.
Life up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!"
T.H. 310

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

arr. Wilson

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-7

*Chorus of Praise

Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,
praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
praise the Lord with the gentle-sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest,
praise the Lord in the city square,
praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,
praise the Lord in the dark of night,
praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord on the highest hill,

praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the clashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string, praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a week-day morning, praise the Lord on a Sunday noon, praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, praise the Lord in the time of joy, praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play, praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

*Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

Jonah 3:10-4:11 Pew Bible Page 1438

Prayer/Song of Confession

God, Be Merciful to Me

No. 486 vs. 1-3

(Remain seated)

God, be merciful to me, on Thy grace I rest my plea, plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now; wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress; I have sinned against Thy grace and provoked Thee to Thy face; I confess Thy judgment just, speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; Thou desirest truth within. Thou alone my Savior art, teach Thy wisdom to my heart; make me pure, Thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow. ¹ "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. ² Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. ³ When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. ⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." And you forgave the guilt of my sin. ⁶ Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them. ⁷ You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance."

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

God, Be Merciful to Me

No. 486 vs. 4-6

Broken, humbled to the dust by Thy wrath and judgment just, let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear Thy voice; from my sins O hide Thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true; cast me not away from Thee, let Thy Spirit dwell in me; Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

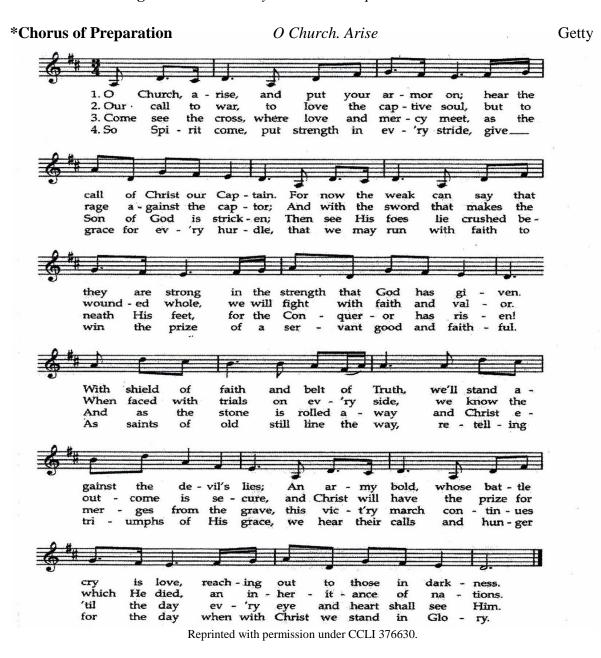
Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to Thee; Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing Thy love; touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

New City Catechism Question #19

Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?

Yes, to satisfy his justice, God himself, out of mere mercy, reconciles us to himself and delivers us from sin and from the punishment for sin, by a Redeemer.

arr. Larson



Sermon Cretans, Cretins, and Christians: Courageous Identity Titus 1:10-16

Pew Bible Page 1858

*Hymn of Response

Who Is on the Lord's Side?

No. 587

Who is on the Lord's side? Who will serve the King? Who will be His helpers, other lives to bring? Who will leave the world's side? Who will face the foe? Who is on the Lord's side? Who for Him will go? By Thy call of mercy; by Thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

Not for weight of glory, not for crown and palm, enter we the army, raise the warrior psalm;
But for Love that claimeth lives for whom He died:
He whom Jesus nameth must be on His side.
By Thy love constraining; by Thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

Jesus, Thou hast bought us, not with gold or gem, but with Thine own life-blood, for Thy diadem: with Thy blessing filling each who comes to Thee, Thou hast made us willing, Thou hast made us free. By Thy grand redemption; by Thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

Fierce may be the conflict, strong may be the foe, but the King's own army none can overthrow: round His standard ranging, vict'ry is secure; for His truth unchanging makes the triumph sure. Joyfully enlisting, by Thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

*Benediction

*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.

*Postlude

Glory Be to the Father

arr. Krug

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Piano Scripture Reading & Intercessory Prayer

Sandy DeGroot Bruce Stoltzfus, Elder

Weekly Calendar

DATE	<u>TIME</u>	EVENT
SUN 1/20	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
TUES 1/22	1:00 PM	Afternoon Care Group
FRI 1/25	6:00 PM	Stoltzfus Care Group
SAT 1/26	1:00 PM	Appreciation Luncheon for the Greenes
SUN 1/27	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Important Upcoming Events

WED 1/30	6:30 PM	Annual Corporation Meeting
THURS 2/07	6:30 PM	Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Class
SAT 2/09	6:30 PM	Annual Variety Show
SUN 2/24	6:00 PM	Carry-in dinner with missionary Tracy Dager
FRI-SUN 3/1-3	TBD	Marriage Seminar with Dr. Alan Strange from Mid-America Reformed Seminary

Serving the Lord

	1/20	1/27	2/03
S.S. Nursery	L. Martin	J. Marshall	B. Schoon
AM Nursery	V. Lash	L. Martin, Cordie A.	D. O'Neal
Greeters	O'Neal	Hale, Grass	Sederberg
Bring Treats	Lindborg	Lindborg	Lash
Server & Clean-Up	O'Neal	Lindborg	Lash
Audio	B. Schoon	J. Martin	J. Martin
Elder of the Week	Stoltzfus	Hrivnak	Lindborg

Announcements

- **Dr. Bryan O'Neal:** We are grateful that Bryan, who is a member of our congregation, has agreed to preach during the months of January and February. Bryan is the Vice President of Moody Bible Institute and Interim Dean of Undergraduate and Distance Education at Moody.
- Sunday School Teacher Needed: Our church is in need of a Sunday school teacher for the younger elementary class. Please contact a member of the Christian Education Committee (Lorrie Martin, Becky Schoon, Nelson Schoon, or Melissa Stoltzfus) if you are interested in serving and ministering to our youth. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity.
- ** Afternoon Care Group: The Afternoon Care Group (formerly called the Greene Care Group) will be meeting this Tuesday, January 22, at 1:00 pm. The group will be led by our interim pastor, Rev. Walter Lorenz.

- Appreciation Luncheon for Rick Greene & Family: A carry-in luncheon is being planned by the Session and Hospitality & Fellowship Committee for this Saturday, January 26, at 1:00 pm here at the church. Chicken will be provided but everyone is encouraged to bring a side dish to share. In order to purchase the right amount of chicken, please email or call the church office or text Cindy Tuitman (219-929-8461) with the number of people who will be attending from your family and the type of side dish you will be bringing. This information is needed by this Wednesday. This is a time for fellowship and reflection about Rick's years of service at Good Shepherd. A Memory Book is being created and if you would like to participate in this gift, please speak to Denise O'Neal today.
- Annual Corporation Meeting: This annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 30, at 6:30 pm. The budget booklets are available on the table in the narthex (one per family). The 2019 budget will be presented and voted on at this meeting. Plans for the pastoral search and the formation of a Pastoral Search Committee will also be discussed. All members should plan to attend this important meeting. If you would like <u>transportation</u> to this meeting so you do not have to drive at night, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and someone will contact you with details.
- **Ladies' Bible Study:** The Ladies' Bible Study will be studying "Pursuing Contentment," a *Women of Faith* Bible study. It will start Wednesday, January 30. Please contact Val, Lucy, or Denise with questions.
- Annual Variety Show: Our Variety Show this year will be held on Saturday, February 9, at 6:30 pm. The Hospitality & Fellowship Committee is looking for anyone willing to share their interest in music, art, literature, drama, etc. There is always a wonderful group of kids that sign up but adults are encouraged to sign up as well! A sign-up sheet is in the foyer as usual. Dessert will be served afterwards. This is a great event to invite friends!
- Pave Ramsey Class: Good Shepherd is hosting another installment of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University starting Thursday, February 7, at 6:30 pm. This 9-week biblically-based class teaches individuals and families how to budget, payoff debt, save for retirement, and give responsibly. Please contact Jason or Valerie Lash if you have any questions.