

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

July 2, 2017 Worship 10:30am

Reflection
"If there be any one point in which the Christian church ought to keep its fervor at a white heat, it is concerning missions. If there be anything about which we cannot tolerate lukewarmness, it is the matter of sending the gospel to a dying world." -Charles Spurgeon

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

***Call to Worship** **Psalm 29:1-4, 9-11**
Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
People: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
People: worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
People: the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.
Leader: The voice of the LORD is powerful;
People: the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
Leader: And in his temple all cry,
People: “Glory!”
Leader: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
People: the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
Leader: May the LORD give strength to his people!
All: May the LORD bless his people with peace!

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise**
Rejoice the Lord is King, Hymn # 310
Charles Wesley, 1746; alt.; John Darwall, 1770

Confession of Sin **Jeremiah 2:13**
For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

Song of Confession
Come and Make Us Free
Zac Hicks and Julie Anne Vargas

I'm a doubter of Your grace, and my heart won't cease
Seeking love in every place but Your perfect arms of peace
Though I see that all my longings find their journey's end in you
Oft they wander in the byways cheaply lured by every hue

I'm a slave to lowly thoughts that I cannot shake
Lust of eyes and pride of life, hardened heart that ne'er will break
Though I hear that You alone can make this stone a heart of flesh
Oft in bitterness I linger choosing chains, not freedom's rest

CHORUS: All our hearts long for, we find in You, O Lord
Help us want You more, than idols we adore
Give us eyes to see your matchless beauty
Shatter unbelief, come and make us free

I'm addicted to the lie that my thirsty soul
Can be quenched by earth's supply, vainly seized by my control
Though I know that You alone have living water's richest store
Oft you find me savoring droplets out of cisterns cracked and poor

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness and Pardoning Grace **Galatians 6:14**
But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

***Song of Assurance**
The Power of the Cross
K. Getty/S. Townend; ©2005 Thankyou Music

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood.

CHORUS: This the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh to see the pain written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life, "finished" the vict'ry cry.

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live;
Won through Your selfless love.

FINAL CHORUS: This the pow'r of the cross: Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost; we stand forgiven at the cross

Gospel in Action
Fill out and pass the Fellowship Pads on each row. Guests, we are honored by your presence today. CPC members and friends, use the pad to update personal information, leave comments, or share prayer requests.

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Tithes and Offerings **Proverbs 3:9, 10**
Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Offertory
K4 and K5 children are dismissed to the library for Teach Me to Worship.

***Scripture Reading** **John 4:1-42**

***Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon **David Sinclair**
Compelled by Love
***Hymn of Response**
And Can It Be That I Should Gain
C. Wesley & S. Roley; ©1994 Scott Roley Music

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, should die for me?

CHORUS: Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God,
Should die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, should die for me?

He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace,
Humbled himself (so great his love), and bled for all his chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, & followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head, And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

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I. The love of God compels us to go to hard places (vv 1-6).

II. The love of God compels us to love hard people (vv 7-26).

III. The love of God compels us to do the hard work (vv 27-42).

"In studying Acts we discover that the evangelists brought out certain gospel truths again and again. Their witness was also versatile. They were aware of unbelievers as individuals in unique situations. Yet there was a basic grid or 'pattern of sound words' that proved a useful springboard for the memories of the evangelists. It kept them on track. They turned again and again to the pivotal points of the gospel. It was not, however, a straitjacket, inhibiting all imagination and initiation their part" (Tell the Truth, p. 43).

1) Pray to the Lord of the Harvest for laborers, for the lost and for the love of Christ to compel us to go to the hard places, love the hard people and to do the hard work.

2) Commit to heart and memory the pivotal points of the gospel

- Who is God? Holy (Isaiah 6:3), Just (Gen. 18:25), Loving (John 3:16)
- Who is man? Sinful (Romans 3:23), Sin's Penalty (Romans 6:23), Judgment is Certain (Hebrews 9:27)
- Who is Christ? (I Peter 3:18)
- What is the response? (John 5:24; Eph. 2:8, 9)

Prayer for the Week: That the Holy Spirit will compel us by the love of Christ to enter into a lost and dying world.

Worship leaders today: David Sinclair, Teaching Elder; Kevin Miles, Ruling Elder; Laurie Parsons, Music Director; and Derek Parsons, Pianist

Announcements

Preschool Bible Camp Signups end today. The Gospel through Colors is July 10-13 (Monday-Thursday) from 9:30-11:30am. Pray for the young children in our church and community and for the workers as we share the Gospel. To help out, contact Becky at becky.sinclair@clemsonpres.org.

Sunday Evening Series meets again on July 9 at 6pm to sing, continue our series on *Jonah and the Relentless Grace of God*, and play cornhole! Bring fruit for refreshments! Nursery provided during singing and teaching.

Circle 4 does not meet in July. Join us August 14th at 9:30am, in 1E6 for brunch and to begin a new study, *The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis* by Nancy Guthrie. Bring a dish to share. Nursery will be provided.

Family Promise: We are hosting homeless families July 16th-23rd. Join us in serving these families! We need food items, hosts to spend the night, workers to setup and take down, and other support tasks. Sign up at clemsonpres.org/familypromise or contact Cheryl Watson at cwatsonhome@att.net.

Operation Christmas Child is collecting school supplies during July, but feel free to bring any item for the shoeboxes. There is a bin by the Children's Ministry cubby to place these items.

Marketplace was fantastic! Thanks to everyone who participated in through prayer, volunteering, and serving our children. We continue to pray God will impress His Word on the hearts of the children.

Ongoing Ministry Opportunities

Sunday Morning: Sunday School 9-10am, Worship Service 10:30-11:45am

Weekly Sunday Evening Activities: Resume in the Fall (Youth Ensemble, Children's Ministry, Middle School Youth, Small Groups, High School Youth)

Wednesday Evening Programs: Prayer meeting (7pm, 1E6), choir (7pm, Worship Center)

Men's Friday Morning Breakfast resumes fall 2017.

Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:45-8:30pm, Family Room. Email Paula at paula.miles@clemsontpres.org for information.

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Sermons, Manuscripts, and Worship Folders are available on the church website and also by request.

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