

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

Pacific Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri

**FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Holy, holy, holy is the God of hosts;  
**All: the whole earth is full of God's glory.**  
One: Let the thresholds shake with the power of God's voice.  
**All: Let all the people tremble before God's glory.**  
One: We have come to see and hear and understand.  
The steadfast love of God surrounds us here.  
**All: We bring before God our songs of praise.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" GtG 1

One: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
**All: Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**  
One: Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
**All: God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

One: Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
**All: cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

One: Holy, holy, holy!  
**All: though the darkness hide thee,**  
One: though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
**All: only thou art holy;**  
One: there is none beside thee,  
**All: Perfect in power, in love and purity.**

**Unison: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.**  
**Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

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**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy and merciful God,  
in your presence we confess  
our sinfulness, our shortcomings,  
and our offenses against you.  
We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone;  
in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts,  
in forgetting your love.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord,  
for we are ashamed and sorry  
for all we have done to displease you.  
In your great compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin.  
Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within us.  
And help us to live in your light,  
and walk in your ways,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(from I John 1)*

One: "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we say that we have not sinned, we make God a liar, and God's word is not in us."  
All: **"If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all our wrongdoing."**  
One: By confessing our sins we speak the truth, trusting in God's grace and mercy. So let us hear and proclaim the good news...  
All: **...For in Jesus Christ we are restored and forgiven. Alleluia! Amen!**

**\*THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.  
All: **And also with you.**

*(From your seat, a brief sign of peace may be shared: a wave of the hand, a nod of the head, etc.)*

**THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Isaiah 6:1-8  
Luke 5:1-11

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON** by Pastor Bill Vincent

**\*HYMN** “Just as I Am, without One Plea” GtG 442

1. **Just as I am, without one plea  
but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou biddest me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!**
2. **Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!**
3. **Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!**
4. **Just as I am, thy love unknown  
has broken every barrier down;  
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!**

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**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image,  
male and female, of every race and people,  
to live as one community.**

**But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.  
Ignoring God's commandments,  
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth,  
exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.  
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love,  
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people  
to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry,  
God delivered the children of Israel  
from the house of bondage.  
Loving us still,  
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
God is faithful still.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

*(from A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Book of Confessions)*

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Pastor:** God of majesty and mercy...  
**People:** ...hear our prayer.

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Traditional)*

**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.**

## OFFERING

*Invitation*

*Reflection*

*\*Unison Prayer of Dedication*

**Your voice, O God, we have heard. Your presence has moved us to respond. Send us where you want us to go. Empower our offerings to witness to your love and care. Fill our lives with thanksgiving. Fill our days with purpose. We rededicate ourselves to work and worship that express our profound gratitude for life and for you. Amen.**

## SENDING

**\*CLOSING HYMN** “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” GtG 69

- 1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?**

*Refrain:*

**Here I am, Lord.  
Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.**

- 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?**

*(Refrain)*

- 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.**

**My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?  
(Refrain)**

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**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**Pastor:** ...And let the gathered people of God say...  
**People:** ...Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

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