

# **Community Presbyterian Church**

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinal Time 23 October 2022

# **GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements Prelude

## \*Call to Worship

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) Come, Let us worship the God from whom all our blessings flow and who dwells with us today.

(All) We will praise the One who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Opening Prayer**

#### \*Hymn (422)

Amazing Grace

- (1) Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.
- (2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- (3) The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- (4) Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- (5) When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

## **Responsive Psalm**

Psalm 65

(One) Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

(All) When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

(One) By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

(All) By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

(One) Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

(All) You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

(One) You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,

(All) the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

(All) God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

#### **Silence**

#### Response

Hear Our Prayer O'Lord

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord; incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

# **PROCLAMATION**

Old Testament Reading

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:9-14

#### Sermon

#### \*Hymn (428)

It Is Well, With My Soul

(1) When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

#### Refrain:

It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

(2) Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control:

that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul. [Refrain]

- (3) My sin--O, the bliss of this glorious thought, my sin--not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]
- (4) And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend: "Even so"--it is well with my soul. [Refrain]

# **RESPONSE**

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe** in the one triune God. Father. Son and Holv Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ, that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, and that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. Amen.

-Adapted from the Belhar Confession

## Offertory

\*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

## **Passing of the Peace**

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

# **SENDING**

Charge Benediction Postlude

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Jason's Back!

Jason returns from his vacation on Thursday, October 27th!

## **Men's Prayer Breakfast**

Join the men of Lake City this **Thursday, October 27th at 7:00am** for good food, prayer, and Bible study.

## **Bible Study Returns!**

Join us this week for a **special Thursday Bible study on October 27th at 5:00pm in the Annex.** We'll be looking at the history, folklore, and present day practices of the second most decorated holiday in the country–Halloween ...and asking what the Bible tells us about this sacred day.

## Special Thanks...

We'd like to extend a special thanks to Ron Bruce for preaching this morning.

## Prayer requests and prayer list

If you'd like to submit a prayer request to be included in the Sunday worship Prayers of the People or to be added to our weekly prayer list, please fill out a green card BEFORE the service and give it to Jason. You can also submit your prayer request early via email: <a href="mailto:cpcprayerlist@gmail.com">cpcprayerlist@gmail.com</a> or text Nora at 719-220-0354.

**Guest Preacher:** Ron Bruce

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**Organist/Pianist:** Celeste Scott

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# **SCRIPTURES**

#### Joel 2:23-32

2:23 O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before.

- 2:24 The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.
- 2:25 I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.
- 2:26 You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.
- 2:27 You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

- 2:28 Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.
- 2:29 Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.
- 2:30 I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.
- 2:31 The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes.
- 2:32 Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

#### 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

- 4:6 As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come.
- 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
- 4:8 From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.
- 4:16 At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them!
- 4:17 But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and

all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

4:18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### Luke 18:9-14

18:9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:

18:10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

18:11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

18:12 I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.'

18:13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

18:14 I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."