

# MCLEAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Service of Divine Worship

June 20, 2010

9:15AM and 11:00AM

### Assisting in worship this morning:

(9:15) *The Reverend James W. Forsyth, Assistant Pastor*

(11:00) *The Reverend William B. Fullilove, Assistant Pastor*

It is often hard to bear the tears that we ourselves have caused.

--Marcel Proust

When God reveals sin, there are only two responses for the Christian. One is to generate some system of self-justification to make wrong desires and behavior acceptable to your own conscience. The other is to admit your sin, confess it to God and man, and place yourself once again under the justifying mercy of Christ. Parents who do the former will not have a home that functions as a redemptive community. They will unwittingly teach their children to hide their sin, to explain it away, to deny its existence, or to blame others. Parents who do the latter will teach their children to rely on Christ, to confess their sin, and to believe that where sin abounds, grace abounds even more. . . . There is no sin that our children will ever commit that we are not capable of as well. As we admit that we are alike, we portray a personal excitement with the Gospel, because it is our only hope as well.

--Paul David Tripp

### The Prelude\*\*\*

### The Welcome and Mission of MPC\*\*\*

The Reverend Dr. John R. Hutchinson

### The Preparation for Worship

### The Invocation

*We call upon God to meet with us.*

### The Call to Worship

Psalm 47:11-15

I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago.

I will meditate on all your works and consider all your mighty deeds.

Your ways, O God, are holy. What god is so great as our God?

You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples.

With your mighty arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.

### The Songs of Adoration\*\*\*

### *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Hymnal No. 100

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

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!

Words by Reginald Heber, 1783-1826; Music by John B. Dykes, 1861

- We ask **ALL** attending to complete the **Keeping Connected** card—members, regular attenders and newcomers.
- **Nursery**—Parents are encouraged to use childcare, which is provided during each service for infants through 24 months. Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend **Children's Church** during the sermon.
- As a courtesy to all worshipping this morning, please set **cellular phones** and **paggers** to "**silent**" mode.
- **Large-print bulletins** are available from an usher or at the table located in the narthex.

## *Our Great God*

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown;  
Your boundless love, unending, grace and mercy shown.  
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight around your glorious throne;  
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

**Chorus: Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!**

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.  
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms.  
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.  
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God. **Chorus**

Let ev'ry creature in the sea and ev'ry flying bird,  
Let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field and valley of the earth;  
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe

Sing praises to the living God who rules them by his word. **Chorus**

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## The Confession of Sin

Leader: Most holy and merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues—

**All: For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, coldness, impatience, and tempers out of control. (Silent reflection)**

Leader: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes—

**All: For impurity in our glances and imagination; for pining after more beauty, comfort, status, and wealth than you have given us. (Silent reflection)**

Leader: Forgive us the sins of our hearts—

**All: For hard-heartedness toward you, our family, and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, self-pity; and above all, for rebelling against your Lordship and doubting your love. (Silent reflection)**

Leader: Now, Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride, melt our hearts. Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, to be transformed into your likeness, to live wholly for your glory. In Jesus' name we pray.

Written by Tom Jennings, Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York City

## The Assurance of Pardon

*We are reminded of the promises of God in Christ.*

Acts 10:43; Isaiah 62:11, 12

Leader: To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

**All: Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." And they shall be called The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD.**

## The Song of Assurance

### *I Will Change Your Name*

I will change your name,  
You shall no longer be called wounded, outcast, lonely or afraid.

I will change your name,  
Your new name shall be confidence, joyfulness, overcoming one,  
Faithfulness, friend of God, one who seeks my face.

I have changed your name,  
Your new name shall be confidence, joyfulness, overcoming one,  
Faithfulness, friend of God, one who seeks my face.

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**The Giving of the Peace\*\*\***

*“The peace of Christ be with you...”*

Leader: Let us greet one another with the joy of the forgiveness we have been granted in Jesus. May the peace of Christ be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

**The Testimony of God’s Grace**

Dan and Gini Herron, Spain, World Harvest Mission

**The Pastoral Prayer**

*A time to give thanksgiving to God, to bring our needs to him, and to ask for his blessing on our tithes and offerings.*

Ruling Elder, Mike Haas

**The Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

*We give back to God a portion of what is already his. Those not from our church family should feel no obligation to give.*

**The Offertory**

*Sicut locutus est*

*Chancel Choir*

*Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros*

*Abraham et semini eius in saecula.*

Thus it was spoken to our forefathers, Abraham and his descendants unto eternity.

(This fugal excerpt is a joyful declaration of God’s faithfulness to all generations and is a choral response to the text, “[God] had helped his servant, Israel, in remembrance of his mercy.”)

J.S. Bach  
from *Magnificat*

**The Scripture Reading**

*We hear the very words of God.*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Ephesians 6:4  
(*Pew Bible*, p.979)

*During the following song, children are dismissed for Children’s Church which meets in “My Father’s Place” (Room 12).*

**The Song of Preparation**

*It is Well*

Hymnal No. 691

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say, “It is well, it is well, with my soul.”  
It is well with my soul—It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.  
It is well with my soul—It is well, it is well, with my soul.

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

O Lord, haste the day when the 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.  
It is well with my soul—It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Words by Horatio G. Spafford; Music by Philip P. Bliss

**The Sermon**

***FAITHFUL FATHERS  
XVII. THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE***

The Reverend Dr. John R. Hutchinson

## The Song of Sending

### *The Power of the Cross* (see bulletin insert)

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. **Chorus**

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. **Chorus**

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.

**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.**

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## The Benediction

## The Dismissal

Leader: Live now in the power of Christ, to the praise of his name!

**People: We go in the name of the risen Christ.**

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## The Postlude

\*\*\* Indicates ushers may seat at these times

### Next Lord's Day:

*Text:* Ephesians 6:10-20

*Sermon:* THE ARMOR OF CHRIST  
XVIII. THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE

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*"THY KINGDOM COME . . ."*

*MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE*

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