

9:30 am Worship Service January 2, 2022

We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

Reformed Presbyterian Church exists to be a stream of God's refreshing grace for people from all walks of life.

Today's Speaker: Rev. Dwight McKay Worship Leader: Jason Rutter, Elder Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

PRELUDES

We Praise Thee/ C. Sergisson Toccata on "Coronation"/ R. Hughes

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD Psalm 33:1-3, 20-22 (NIV) Leader: Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting

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for the upright to praise him.

People: Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to

him on the ten-stringed lyre.

<u>Leader</u>: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout

for joy.

People: For the word of the Lord is right and true;

Leader: He is faithful in all he does.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help

and our shield.

Leader: In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy

name.

People: May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord,

even as we put our hope in you.

In Prayer

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 310 Rejoice, the Lord is King

*WE CONFESS OUR FAITH Matthew 24:36-39, 42-44 (NIV)

<u>Leader</u>: No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

<u>People</u>: As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the

coming of the Son of Man.

<u>Leader</u>: For in the days before the flood, people were

eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark;

<u>People</u>: And they knew nothing about what would

happen until the flood came and took them

all away.

Leader: That is how it will be at the coming of the Son

of Man.

People: Therefore keep watch, because you do not know

on what day your Lord will come.

Leader: But understand this: If the owner of the house had

known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let

his house be broken into.

People: So you also must be ready, because the Son of

Man will come at an hour when you do not

expect him.

*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Revelation Song Crown Him Leader:

...he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Acts 1:9-11 (NIV)

O Come Let Us Adore Him

WELCOME TO ALL

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY Amazing Grace/ arr. A. Burger

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Peter 3:1-15 (NIV)

SERMON How to Live in Light of the Next Advent

Advent series: Between Two Advents

Rev. Dwight McKay

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PREPARATION

THE INVITATION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Agnus Dei

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

The Love Offering/Closing Hymn 705 vss. 1-3, & 5

I Know Whom I Have Believed

*WORDS OF PEACE

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Postlude

The Echoing Skies/ R. Wilson

Song Lyrics

310 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore; Rejoice give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore; Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love; When He had purged our stains He took His seat above; Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;

Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n, The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n; Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God's right hand till all His foes submit, And bow to His command, and fall beneath His feet: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, And take His servants up to their eternal home. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, holy is He. Sing a new song to Him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

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Holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings. You are my everything, and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color, Flashes of lighting, rolls of thunder, Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to You, the only wise King.

Holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings. You are my everything, and I will adore You.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, at the mention of Your name.

Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water, such a marvelous mystery!

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"Crown Him (Christmas)"

Crown Him with many crowns
The King who left His throne
Creator of the universe
Born to the world He holds
And with that first drawn breath
The Word has become flesh
Emmanuel has come to us,
O crown Him, all the earth

Crowned by the angel choir
They tell His royal birth
Sing glory in the highest height
And peace upon the earth
They break the silent night
Announcing endless worth
The King of grace and love is here,
O crown Him all the world

Crowned by their royal gifts,
Gold frankincense and myrrh
Wise men approach this manger throne
With honors from afar
Behold the Son of God
And bow down in this place
The Prince of Peace has come to us,
O crown Him with your praise

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake, my soul, and sing
God sent His Son for me
Now hail Him as thy matchless
King Through all eternity

Awake, my soul, and sing, God sent His Son for me Now hail Him as thy matchless King, Through all eternity

Words by Matthew Bridges, Chris Tomlin, Matthew G Maher, Matt Maher, Edward Martin Cash, Ed Cash, Music by George Elvey ©2000-2021 AZLyrics.com

O Come Let Us Adore Him

O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord

For You alone are worthy For You alone are worthy For You alone are worthy Christ the Lord

We'll give You all the glory We'll give You all the glory We'll give You all the glory Christ the Lord

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Agnus Dei

Alleluia. Alleluia.
For our Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia. Alleluia.
For our Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia.
Holy, Holy.
You are Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb.
Worthy is the Lamb.

Holy, Holy. You are Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb. You are holy.

Alleluia. Alleluia. For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia. Alleluia. For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia.

Holy, Holy. You are Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb.

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705 I Know Whom I Have Believed

I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he has made known, nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.
But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart, nor how believing in his Word wrought peace within my heart. But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing men of sin, revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him.
But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noon-day fair, nor if I'll walk the vale with him, or "meet him in the air."
But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

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SCRIPTURE READING

II Peter 3:1-15 (NIV)

¹Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. ² I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles.

³ First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. ⁴ They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." ⁵ But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. ⁶ By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. ⁷ By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

⁸ But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

¹¹ Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives ¹² as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. ¹³ But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

¹⁴ So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him. ¹⁵ Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him.