



**Reformed Presbyterian Church
9:30 am Worship Service
March 6, 2022**

We are so glad you are worshipping 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. Thomas E. Nicholas, Sr. Pastor
Worship Leader: Rev. Kevin Sheahan, Associate Pastor
Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

PRELUDES

Interlude VI M. Hayes
You Are My Hiding Place M. Ledner

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 146:5-10 (NIV)

Leader: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD his God,

People: **The Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever.**

Leader: He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets prisoners free,

People: The LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous.

Leader: The LORD watches over the alien and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

People: The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 164 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the
dead. He ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty. From there he will
come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting. Amen

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Battle Belongs

Leader: Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:
Because of the LORD's great love we are not
consumed, for his compassions never fail. They
are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;

therefore I will wait for him.” The LORD is good
to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him;
it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

Lam.3:21-26 (NIV)
Yes I Will

WELCOME TO ALL

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision
Janelle Labs, Piano

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:17-26 (NIV)

SERMON

Forgiver
series in Luke: Who Is This Man?
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

WE COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE

PREPARATION

THE INVITATION

Choral Anthem

Come Share the Lord/ arr. R. Tabell
How Deep the Father’s Love

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Please Note: An elder is available in the rear of the sanctuary during communion to pray with you regarding any needs or issues in your life

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

THE LOVE OFFERING/CLOSING HYMN

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

*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

Song Lyrics

164 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks, and, list'ning to His voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosen'd tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,
washed away

Hosanna, Hosanna You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna, Hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day
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Songwriters: Paul Baloche / Brenton G. Brown
Hosanna lyrics © Capitol Christian Music Group

Battle Belongs

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain, You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now For I am safe with You

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night O God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me, Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross, God You see the empty tomb

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night O God the battle belongs to You

An Almighty Fortress You go before us Nothing can stand against
The power of our God You shine in the shadows
You win every battle Nothing can stand against
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Yes I Will

I count on one thing

The same God that never fails Will not fail me now

You won't fail me now In the waiting

The same God who's never late Is working all things out

You're working all things out

Yes I will lift You high In the lowest valley

Yes I will bless Your name Yes I will sing for joy

When my heart is heavy All my days yes I will

I count on one thing

The same God that never fails Will not fail me now

You won't fail me now In the waiting

The same God who's never late Is working all things out

You're working all things out

For all my days yes I will

I choose to praise To glorify glorify

The name of all names That nothing can stand against

Yes I will lift You high In the lowest valley

Yes I will bless Your name Yes I will sing for joy

When my heart is heavy All my days yes I will

For all my days -Yes I will

How Deep the Father's Love

How deep the father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That he should give his only Son,
And make a wretch his treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss,
The father turns his face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen one,
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,
My sin upon his shoulders,
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast of anything
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

I lay my sins on Jesus,
the spotless Lamb of God;
he bears them all, and frees us
from the accursed load:
I bring my guilt to Jesus,
to wash my crimson stains
white in his blood most precious, '
til not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus;
all fullness dwells in him;
he heals all my diseases,
he doth my soul redeem:
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
my burdens and my cares;
he from them all releases,
he all my sorrows shares.

I rest my soul on Jesus,
this weary soul of mine;
his right hand me embraces,
I on his breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
like fragrance on the breezes
his name abroad is poured.

I long to be like Jesus,
meek, loving, lowly, mild;
I long to be like Jesus,
the Father's holy child:
I long to be with Jesus
amid the heav'nly throng,
to sing with saints his praises,
to learn the angels' song.

Scripture Reading

Luke 5:17-26 (NIV)

¹⁷ One day as he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law, who had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem, were sitting there. And the power of the Lord was present for him to heal the sick.¹⁸ Some men came carrying a paralytic on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus.¹⁹ When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus.

²⁰ When Jesus saw their faith, he said, “Friend, your sins are forgiven.”

²¹ The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, “Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

²² Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, “Why are you thinking these things in your hearts?²³ Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’?²⁴ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins. . . .” He said to the paralyzed man, “I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.”²⁵ Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God.²⁶ Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, “We have seen remarkable things today.”