



REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
August 3, 2025
9:30 am Worship Service

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

Today's Speaker: Donn Youndt, Ruling Elder

Worship Leader: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

Organist: Courtney Brooke

PRELUDE

Echo Alleluia/ H. Purcell

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah/ arr. M. Kellner

◊A time of quiet preparation

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 138: 6-8 (ESV)

Leader: For though the Lord is high,
he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of
my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 110

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

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

*Christ our Glory
This I Believe (The Creed)
Lord, I Need You*

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

*Amazing Grace/arr. J. M. Stevens
Julianna (Youndt) violin, Karen Youndt, piano*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 9 (ESV)

As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ² And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³ Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴ We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶ Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷ and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

⁸ The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹ Some said, "It is he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰ So they said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹ He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed and received my sight." ¹² They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

¹³ They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴ Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵ So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." ¹⁶ Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. ¹⁷ So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

¹⁸ The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹ and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰ His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. ²¹ But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²² (His parents said

these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.)²³ Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

²⁴ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.”²⁵ He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”²⁶ They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?”²⁷ He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?”²⁸ And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses.”²⁹ We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.”³⁰ The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.”³¹ We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him.”³² Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind.”³³ If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.”³⁴ They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

³⁵ Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”³⁶ He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?”³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.”³⁸ He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him.”³⁹ Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.”⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?”⁴¹ Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.

SERMON

Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind: No Random Act of Kindness

Donn Youndt, Ruling Elder

WE COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE INVITATION AND PRAYER

THE BREAD

THE CUP

Amazing Love

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

On odd numbered months we go forward,
on even numbered months we remain seated for communion.

*Please Note: Both wine and juice are offered.
Clear cups in the outer rim of the communion tray contain grape juice.
All other (pink) cups contain wine.*

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

THE LOVE OFFERING/CLOSING HYMN **296** (vss.1-3)

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

*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

When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder (Hymn 541)

SONG LYRICS

110 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, From the heavens praise His name;
Praise Jehovah in the highest, All His angels praise proclaim.
All His hosts together praise Him,
Sun, and moon, and stars on high;
Praise Him, O ye heav'n of heavens, And ye floods above the sky.

Let them praises give Jehovah, For His name alone is high,
And His glory is exalted, And His glory is exalted,
And His glory is exalted, Far above the earth and sky.

Let them praises give Jehovah,
They were made at His command,
Them forever He established; His decree shall ever stand.
From the earth, oh, praise Jehovah, All you seas, you monsters all,
Fire, and hail, and snow, and vapors,
Stormy winds that hear His call.

Let them praises give Jehovah, For His name alone is high,
And His glory is exalted, And His glory is exalted,
And His glory is exalted, Far above the earth and sky.

All you fruitful trees and cedars, All you hills and mountains high,
Creeping things, and beasts, and cattle,
Birds that in the heavens fly.
Kings of earth, and all you people, Princes great, earth's judges all,
Praise His name, young men and maidens,
Aged men and children small.

Let them praises give Jehovah, For His name alone is high,
And His glory is exalted, And His glory is exalted,
And His glory is exalted, Far above the earth and sky.

Christ Our Glory

Our rest is in heaven; our rest is not here
Then why should we tremble when trials draw near?
Be still and remember Christ carries our pain
He shares in our suffering -through Him hope will reign

Christ our glory, Christ our hope
Christ our King forevermore
Our Savior's in heaven; He rules from His throne,
And cares for the people He chose as His own

No hours should be wasted on seeking our joy
And placing our hope in what will be destroyed
We look for a city that hands have not raised
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Christ our glory, Christ our hope
Christ our King forevermore
We look for a city that hands have not raised
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Though trouble and anguish increase all the more
They cannot compare to the glory in store
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore
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Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

Adapted from "My Rest is in Heaven" by Henry Lyte. Alt. and add. words by Nathan Stiff and David Zimmer
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This I Believe

Our Father everlasting, The all-creating One, God Almighty
Through your Holy Spirit Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Savior

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One

I believe in the resurrection, That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Our Judge and our Defender, Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One

I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus
I believe in You, I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

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I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One

I believe in the resurrection, That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

For I believe in the Name of Jesus, For I believe in the Name of Jesus

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion, And in Your holy Church

I believe in the resurrection when Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus, For I believe in the Name of Jesus

This I Believe (The Creed), Words and Music by Ben Fielding / Benjamin David Fielding / Matt Crocker / Matthew Philip Crocker

Lord I Need You

Lord I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Beneath the Cross

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I find a place to stand
And wonder at such mercy
That calls me as I am
For hands that should discard me
Hold wounds which tell me, "Come"
Beneath the cross of Jesus
My unworthy soul is won

Beneath the cross of Jesus
His family is my own
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams
Now one through grace alone
How could I now dishonor
The ones that You have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus
See the children called by God

Beneath the cross of Jesus
The path before the crown
We follow in His footsteps
Where promised hope is found
How great the joy before us
To be His perfect bride
Beneath the cross of Jesus
We will gladly live our lives

296 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* (vss. 1-3)

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God, who from His altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.