



REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 1, 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: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

Worship Leader: Kevin Tiemann, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

Choir Director: Rachel Klein

PRELUDE

*Cornet Voluntary/ G. Berg
Fantasia on "Old Hundredth"/ R. Wilson*

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 33:20-22 (ESV)

Leader: Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 455

And Can It Be that I Should Gain

***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

*We Give Thanks
Who You Say I Am
Holy Forever*

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/CHORAL OFFERTORY

O For a Thousand Tongues/ M. McDonald

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth 3:1-18 (ESV)

Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter,
should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? ² Is
not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See,

he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. ³ Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴ But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do.” ⁵ And she replied, “All that you say I will do.”

⁶ So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. ⁷ And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸ At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! ⁹ He said, “Who are you?” And she answered, “I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer.” ¹⁰ And he said, “May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹ And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. ¹² And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. ¹³ Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning.”

¹⁴ So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, “Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor.” ¹⁵ And he said, “Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out.” So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city. ¹⁶ And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, “How did you fare, my daughter?” Then she told her all that the man had done for her, ¹⁷ saying, “These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, ‘You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.’” ¹⁸ She replied, “Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today.”

SERMON

In Hot Pursuit of a Redeemer

There and Back Again: A Family's Tale of Redemption (Week 4 of 5)

Dr. David Kieffer

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE INVITATION AND PRAYER

THE BREAD

Oh, How He Loves You and Me

THE CUP

Speak, O Lord

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 **261**

What Wondrous Love Is This

*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.

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL
HOUR.

(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*POSTLUDE

SONG LYRICS

455 *And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Amazing Love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies:
who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.
Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He left His Father's throne above,
(so free, so infinite His grace!)
humbled Himself (so great His love!)
and bled for all His chosen race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for,
O my God, it found out me.
Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.
Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach th'eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.
Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

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We Give Thanks

Once in the wilderness of our sin
We wandered lost and without hope
Into our desert waste God in grace
Came to restore and bring us home
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

Through every pain and trial You provide
Light in the dark of our distress
Lifting us from on high when we cry
Turning our grief to gratefulness
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good
We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

You take the darkness and make it as light
Hearts that were dead in sin You raise to life
You take a barren place and make it a spring
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good
We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me, Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house, There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me, Yes He died for me

Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house, There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

I am chosen, Not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me, Not against me, I am who You say I am

(Repeat)

I am who You say I am.

Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
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I am chosen, Not forsaken, I am who You say I am
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(Repeat)

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Holy Forever

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions, All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"
You are lifted high – Holy, Holy forever
Hear Your people sing, "Holy!" To the King of Kings, "Holy!"
You will always be Holy - Holy forever

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"
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Hear Your people sing, "Holy!"
To the King of Kings, "Holy!"
You will always be Holy - Holy forever

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To the King of Kings, "Holy!"
You will always be Holy - Holy forever
You will always be Holy - Holy forever

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on!

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