



REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
March 8, 2026
9:30 am Worship Service

Multiplying disciples one life at a time.

Today's Speaker: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor
Worship Leader: Nick Crowther, Ruling Elder
Organist: Courtney Brooke
Choir Director: Rachel Klein

PRELUDE

Partita on "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Hymn 1)

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 23 (ESV)

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

People: **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Unison: Heavenly Father, I thank you for matchless love bestowed on me when Jesus was despised, rejected and crucified.

Now I pray that where any portion of my heart is stony, you will melt it with Calvary love. Wherever my mind is locked shut, let your Spirit apply the master key. Let me daily reckon my old nature to be dead; may I never feed it as a living thing.

Strengthen me for unseen battles ahead. Give me courage for all the trials and grace for all the joys. Take me to my Savior's Cross and leave me there. For Jesus' sake, Amen.

***WE TRUST GOD'S GRACE**

Acts 3:18-20 (ESV)

Leader: But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

***DOXOLOGY**

***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 hell¹. 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 catholic² 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

*Lift High the Name of Jesus
Blessed Be Your Name
This I Believe (The Creed)*

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING
WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSION MOMENT

Matt and Jenn Irvine, video

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

Face the Cross/ E. Schram & S. Schram

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
(ages 4–6 years old)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 14:1-11 (ESV)

It was now two days before the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him, ² for they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar from the people."

³ And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head. ⁴ There were some who said to themselves indignantly, "Why was the ointment wasted like that?" ⁵ For this

¹ meaning *the God-forsaken state of Jesus in his suffering, death, and burial.* ² meaning *universal*

ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor.” And they scolded her. ⁶ But Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷ For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me. ⁸ She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burial. ⁹ And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her.”

¹⁰ Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹ And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

SERMON

The Unveiling of Hearts
The Gospel of Mark series
Dr. David Kieffer

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **55**

To God Be the Glory

*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* (Hymn 386)

Song Lyrics

101 Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend:
Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success;
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour:
Thou who Almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three,
Eternal praises be Hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our King
Make known the power of His grace The beauty of His peace
Remember how His mercy reached And we cried out to Him
He lifted us to solid ground To freedom from our sin

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Lord
His pow'r in us is greater than Is greater than this world
To share the reason for our hope To serve with love and grace
That all who see Him shine through us Might bring the Father praise

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Light
No other name on earth can save Can raise a soul to life
He opens up our eyes to see The harvest He has grown
We labor in His fields of grace As He leads sinners home

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed Be Your Name In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be' Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

God you give and take away Oh you give and take away
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away God give and take away
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name, oh

Songwriters: Beth Redman / Matt Redman Blessed Be Your Name lyrics © Capitol Christian Music Group

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

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

55 To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to ev'ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!