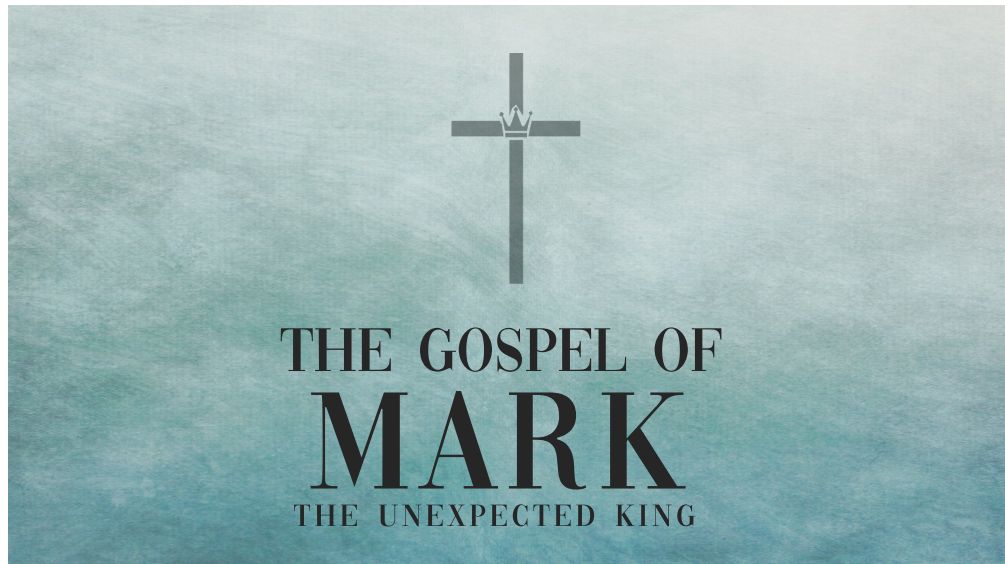




REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
October 19, 2025
9:30 am Worship Service

Multiplying disciples one life at a time.

Today's Speaker: Anthony Martin, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation

This Is Our God
Worship Team

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 40:1–5 (ESV)

Leader: I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me
and heard my cry.

**People: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out
of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.**

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to
our God.

**People: Many will see and fear, and put their trust
in the LORD.**

**Leader: Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his
trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those
who go astray after a lie!**

**People: You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your
wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward
us; none can compare with you! I will
proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more
than can be told.**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 165

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH** The Nicene Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

**People: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the
Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all
things were made. For us and for our
salvation he came down from heaven, was
incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin
Mary and was made man. For our sake
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he
suffered death and was buried. On the third
day he rose again in accordance with the
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will
come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father and the Son, who with the Father
and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who
has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic¹ and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the
life of the world to come. Amen.**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*We Give Thanks
This is Our God
Christ Our Glory*

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
(ages 4–6 years old)
CONGREGATIONAL GREETING
WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSION MOMENT

Alicia Tuck, Campus Outreach at University of North Carolina

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* (Hymn 679)
Carson & Faith Snavelly

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 8:27-38 (ESV)

²⁷ And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸ And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰ And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹ And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴ And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

SERMON

Turning Point
The Gospel of Mark series
Anthony Martin

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **654**

O Jesus, I Have Promised

WORDS OF PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Song Lyrics

165 *Ye Servants of God*

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all victorious of Jesus extol,
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save,
and still he is nigh, his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might;
all honor and blessing with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Ye Servants of God, Words by Charles Wesley; Tune by William Croft.
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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

This Is Our God

Remember those walls that we called sin and shame?
They were like prisons that we couldn't escape
But He came, and He died, and He rose, Those walls are rubble now

Remember those giants we called death and grave?
They were like mountains that stood in our way
But He came, and He died, and He rose, Those giants are dead now

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does- He saves us

He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim: This is our God, King Jesus

Remember that fear that took our breath away?
Faith so weak that we could barely pray
But He heard every word, every whisper

Now those altars in the wilderness, Tell the story of His faithfulness
Never once did He fail, and He never will

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does- He saves us
He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim: This is our God, King Jesus

Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did
Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus
Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did
Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus

Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh
Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Jesus
Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh
Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Him

This is our God, this is who He is- He loves us
This is our God, this is what He does - He saves us

He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim: This is our God, King Jesus
He bore the cross, beat the grave, Let Heaven and Earth proclaim:
This is our God, King Jesus

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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Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls
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654 O Jesus, I Have Promised

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway If thou wilt be my guide.

Oh, let me feel thee near me; The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.