



9:30 am Worship Service

May 2, 2021

We are so glad you are worshiping 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: Kevin Sheahan, Associate Pastor
Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

PRELUDES

Dialogue/ F. Couperin
Come, Thou Almighty King (Hymn 101)/ arr. L. Smith

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD Psalm 34:1-3, 8, 12-14 (NIV)

Leader: I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

People: **My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**

Leader: Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.

People: **Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**

Leader: Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

People: **Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 699

Like a River Glorious

***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 SONG

*Great Things
To God Be the Glory*

Leader: For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice. But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.

James 3:16-18 (NIV)

Agnus Dei

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 3:12-15 (NIV)

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

¹³ Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

SERMON

Let His Peace Reign
Colossians: The Sufficiency of Christ
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PREPARATION

THE INVITATION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

In Christ Alone

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED

CLOSING HYMN **523**

My Hope Is in the Lord

*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

699 Like a River Glorious

Like a river glorious, is God's perfect peace,
Over all victorious, in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet it floweth, fuller every day,
Perfect, yet it groweth, deeper all the way.
Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there.
Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Every joy or trial falleth from above,
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love;
We may trust Him fully all for us to do.
They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.
Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Great Things

Come let us worship our King Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Savior has done See how His love overcomes
He has done great things He has done great things

Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
Oh God, You have done great things

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is "Yes and amen"
You will do great things God, You do great things

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Hallelujah God, above it all Hallelujah God, unshakable
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To God Be the Glory

Verse 1

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 all may go in

Chorus

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 through Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things He has done

Verse 2

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Verse 3

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

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Agnus Dei

Alleluia. Alleluia.
For our Lord God Almighty reigns.
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For our Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia.
Holy, Holy.
You are Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb.
Worthy is the Lamb.

Holy, Holy.
You are Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb.
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You are holy.

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In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

Stuart Townsend and Keith Getty

523 My Hope is in the Lord

My Hope is in the Lord, who gave Himself for me
And paid the price of all my sin at Calvary
For me He died; For me He lives,
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.

No merit of my own His anger to suppress,
My only hope is found in Jesus' righteousness
For me He died; For me He lives,
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.

And now for me He stands Before the Father's throne;
He shows His wounded hands and names me as His own.
For me He died; For me He lives,
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.

His grace has planned it all, 'Tis mine but to believe
And recognize His work of love and Christ receive.
For me He died; For me He lives,
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.