



REDEEMER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MAY 10

Welcome

Call to Worship

from Psalm 102:25-27

Master Jesus, in the beginning,
you laid the foundations of the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands.

**They will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like a garment.**

You will roll them up like a robe,
like a garment they will be changed.

**But you remain the same,
and your years will never end.**

Opening Hymn

“All Hail the Power”

**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!**

**Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race,
Ye ransomed from 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!**

**Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget,
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.**

**O that with yonder sacred throng,
We at his feet may fall;
We’ll join the everlasting song,
And crown him Lord of all;
We’ll join the everlasting song,
And crown him Lord of all!**

words: Edward Perronet, 1779-1780; vs. 4: John Rippon, 1787; music: Oliver Holden, 1793

Prayer of Confession

Redeemer family, we are called to seek
the life-giving authority of Scripture,
But Father, we do not think you word is life-giving.

**In fact, we accuse you of life-taking.
Your words feel only like prohibitions,
obstacles in the way of our happiness.
Father, forgive us,
we reject your means of giving us faith and life.**

Father, we do not want your authority.

**In fact, we don’t want any authority other than our own.
We think freedom means self-rule,
so we blame you for any guilt we feel,
and our hard hearts resist like a stubborn horse,
refusing to submit until we are broken by calamity.
Father, forgive us,
we reject your rule which leads to true freedom.**

Father, we do not believe in Scripture.

**In fact, we do not think that your very breath
is in every word.
We are sure it must be diluted and distorted
by a human agenda.
Your word is strange to us,
from a distant time and place and culture,
no longer relevant to speak into our evolved society.
Father, forgive us,
we deny that we are sheep who need a shepherd.**

Father, in your great mercy, forgive our rejection of you
and the very food that we are desperate for.
Be patient with our rebellion
but active in your healing of our hearts,
until we see you as you truly are:
the source of all good,
with no shifting shadow,
in whose presence is a river of delights.

For your glory and through Jesus we ask. Amen.

Assurance and Hope of the Gospel

based on Isaiah 55:6-7; 59:16; Hebrews 12:2; Colossians 1:13-14

The LORD saw that there was no one,
so his own arm achieved salvation for him.

**God took the initiative
by coming near in Jesus to seek us out,
to become like us in order to save us.**

Jesus is God's king;
through him, he is putting all things right.

**Jesus is God like us,
who became fully human
in order to take our sin upon himself.**

Jesus is God's faithful one,
the pioneer and perfecter of faith,
through whom God has delivered
us from the kingdom of darkness
into the kingdom of his well-loved Son.

**In order that we may be
well-loved sons and daughters in the Son,
in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of our sins.**

Song in the Gospel

"Praise the Savior Now and Ever"

**Praise the Savior, now and ever;
Praise him, all beneath the skies;
Prostrate lying suff'ring, dying,
On the cross, a sacrifice.
Vict'ry gaining, life obtaining,
Now in glory, he doth rise.**

**Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth;
He is all our righteousness;
He, our Savior, has forever,
Set us free from dire distress.
Through his merit, we inherit,
Light and peace and happiness.**

**Sin's bond severed, we're delivered;
Christ has bruised the serpent's head;
Death no longer is the stronger,
Hell itself is captive led.
Christ has risen from death's prison;
O'er the tomb he light has shed.**

**For his favor, praise forever,
Unto God the Father, sing;
Praise the Savior, praise him ever,
Son of God, our Lord and King.
Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit,
He doth us salvation bring.**

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Son of God, our Lord and King.
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*words: Venantius Fortunatus, ca. 530-609; trans.: Augustus Nelson;
music: attr. to William Moore, 1825; Arr. Benedict/Bradham 2005*

Song in the Gospel

"Jesus is Mine"

**Fade, fade, each earthly joy: Jesus is mine!
Break every tender tie: Jesus is mine!
Dark is this wilderness,
Earth has no resting place,
Jesus alone can bless: Jesus is mine!**

**Tempt not my soul away: Jesus is mine!
Here would I ever stay: Jesus is mine!
Perishing things of clay,
Born for but one brief day,
Pass from my heart away: Jesus is mine!**

**Farewell, ye dreams of night: Jesus is mine!
Lost in this dawning bright: Jesus is mine!
All that my soul has tried
Left but a dismal void;
Jesus has satisfied: Jesus is mine!**

**Farewell, mortality: Jesus is mine!
Welcome, eternity: Jesus is mine!
Welcome, O loved and blest,
Welcome, sweet scenes of rest,
Welcome, my Savior's breast: Jesus is mine!**

words: Jane C. Bonar, 1843; music: Nathan Partain, 2003

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Preparation for the Word

based on 1 Thessalonians 2:13

Let us honor our Father together.

**Father, we receive your word, which we have heard
through the prophets,
the apostles
and Jesus, your Son,
And accept it not as a human word,
but as it actually is,
the word of God.**

Yes, for it is indeed at work
in all who believe.

Scripture

Hebrews 1:1-3

¹ In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. ³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Charles Anderson
God's Word is Enough

Prayer

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Valediction

Colossians 1:15-20

Who is the Son?

**The Son is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn over all creation.**

For in him all things were created:

**Things in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers
or rulers or authorities;
all things have been created
through him and for him.
He is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.**

And he is the head of the body, the church;

**He is the beginning
and the firstborn from among the dead,
so that in everything
he might have the supremacy.**

For God was pleased to have all his fullness
dwell in him,

**And through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether things on earth or things in heaven,
by making peace through his blood,
shed on the cross.**

Closing Hymn

"We will Feast"

**We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood—
Upheld, protected, gathered up.**

**We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**In the dark of night before the dawn,
My soul be not afraid;
For the promised morning, Oh how long!
O God of Jacob, be my strength!**

**We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

**Every vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful One;
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together, bring shalom.**

**We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.**

Sandra McCracken and Josh Moore, 2015

Benediction