



# Celebration of Worship

November 3, 2024

## Prelude

*The Prelude is a time to begin transitioning from fellowshiping with our neighbors to preparing our hearts to worship God.*

*Please adjust all electronic devices so as not to interrupt the service.*

## Welcome and Announcements

*Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out the guest registration to let us know of your visit.*

## Silent Prayer of Preparation for Worship

O God, full of compassion, I commit and commend myself to you, in whom I am, and live, and know. Be the goal of my pilgrimage, and my rest by the way. Let my soul take refuge from the crowding turmoil of worldly thought beneath the shadow of your wings. Let my heart, in this sea of restless waves, find peace in you, O God. Amen.

---

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### Call to Worship

### from Psalm 113

Pastor: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

**ALL:** *Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forever.*

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**ALL:** *The Lord is high above all nations; His glory is above the heavens.*

### \*Invocation and Adoration

*The invocation should acknowledge that our worship is in vain if it is not Spirit-inspired. Often, the invocation will also employ the language of adoration and praise, which is very fitting in light of the vertical, God-focused dimension of this prayer.*

### \*Worship in Song

1

\* Indicates please stand if able.

[2]

**All People That on Earth Do Dwell**  
**(Psalm 100)**

## **Public Confession of Sin**

Leader: Father God, All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags.

**People: Forgive us O God.**

Leader: We all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

**People: Forgive us O Lord.**

Leader: We confess that we do not call on your name or strive to lay hold of you in our heart, our mind, and in our action.

**People: Forgive us O God.**

Leader: Yet Lord, You are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter. We are the work of your hand. Do not be angry beyond measure; do not remember our sins forever. Look upon us, we pray, for we are your people.

**People: Forgive us O God for our sins are many. Amen.**

## **Silent Prayer of Confession**

### **Comfort and Assurance of the Gospel**

*But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. ~ Psalm 86:15*

### **Corporate Confession of Faith – Apostles’ Creed**

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.

\* Indicates please stand if able.

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.

\*Some versions of the Creed omit this phrase; it was inserted to affirm the reality of Christ's physical death;

\*\*or universal; this phrase simply refers to the fact that the Church is made up of believers of all times in all nations.

---

## **PETITIONING GOD'S PROVIDENCE**

### **Prayers of God's People**

*(The pastor will lead us in prayer, reading submitted praises and requests)*

---

## **ADORING GOD'S GLORY**

### **Public Reading of Scripture**

### **Judges 2:11-15**

*(Lectio Continua – the practice of reading Scripture in sequence)*

#### **Scripture Context:**

*Just as God had promised to bless Israel for obedience to the Covenant, He also promised curses for their disobedience.*

---

And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and served the Baals. <sup>12</sup> And they abandoned the LORD, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt. They went after other gods, from among the gods of the peoples who were around them, and bowed down to them. And they provoked the LORD to anger. <sup>13</sup> They abandoned the LORD and served the Baals and the Ashtaroth. <sup>14</sup> So the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he gave them over to plunderers, who plundered them. And he sold them into the hand of their surrounding enemies, so that they could no longer withstand their enemies. <sup>15</sup> Whenever they marched out, the hand of the LORD was against them for harm, as the LORD had warned, and as the LORD had sworn to them. And they were in terrible distress.

\* Indicates please stand if able.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

## **The Giving of First Fruits**

*Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;<sup>10</sup> then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. ~Proverbs 3:9-10*

### **\*The Doxology**

**733**

**(Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise Him, all creatures here below:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Him above you heavenly hosts;

praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### **\*Prayer of Thanks and Dedication**

### **\*Worship in Song**

***Who You Say I Am***

Verse 1

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

***Chorus***

***Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed***

***I'm a child of God, Yes I am***

Verse 2

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

\* Indicates please stand if able.

**Chorus**

***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***

Bridge

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  
I am who You say I am

**Chorus**

***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 /***

Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan

© 2017 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

CCLI License # 358658

***Only A Holy God***

Verse 1

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles  
Only a Holy God

Verse 2

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendour outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice  
Only a Holy God

**Chorus**  
**Come and behold Him**  
**The One and the Only**  
**Cry out sing holy**  
**Forever a Holy God**  
**Come and worship the Holy God**

Verse 3  
What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a Holy God

**Chorus**  
**Come and behold Him**  
**The One and the Only**  
**Cry out sing holy**  
**Forever a Holy God**  
**Come and worship the Holy God**

**Instrumental**

Verse 4  
Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God  
Only my Holy God

**Chorus**  
**Come and behold Him**  
**The One and the Only**  
**Cry out sing holy**  
**Forever a Holy God**  
**Come and worship the Holy God**

Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

Dustin Smith, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson  
© 2016 CityAlight Music; Farren Love And War Publishing; Integrity's Alleluia! Music; Integrity's  
Praise! Music  
CCLI License #358658

---

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

### **Scripture Reading & Prayer of Illumination**

**Sermon Text:** James 4:1-12

### **Preaching of the Word**

*Peacemakers or Troublemakers?*

**\*Hymn of Response and Preparation** 569

*Jesus, Lord of Life and Glory*  
*(vss. 1-3)*

---

## **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

### **Invitation to the Table**

Fairfield Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel to receive the Holy Communion with us. **If you are not able to receive Communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers in the bulletin below.**

### **Prayer of Consecration and Confession of Sin**

\* Indicates please stand if able.



## Distribution of the Elements

**PLEASE NOTE:** The cups in the outer ring contain wine; all other cups *inside* contain *grape juice*.

Please **hold the bread** and we will partake together signifying our unity in one Body; please **drink the cup upon receiving it** in acknowledgment of your personal union to Christ in His shed blood.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*Closing Hymn

569

*Jesus, Lord of Life and Glory*

*(vss. 4-6)*

### \*Benediction

Just as God has the first word in worship, he also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

## Postlude

\* Indicates please stand if able.

***Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.*** Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

***Prayer of Belief.*** Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

***Prayer for Those Overcome with Sin*** Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with

\* Indicates please stand if able.

perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

***Prayer for Covenant Children (Not Yet Communing)*** Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you as your faithful disciple. Amen.

Memory Verse of the Week:

**Isaiah 41:10** Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.