

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MASSILLON
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, July 12, 2020

We extend you a warm and hearty welcome from Central Presbyterian! Your presence this morning is greatly appreciated! Let us gather our hearts, our minds, our spirits as one, bringing our worship and praise before the Almighty. Now, enjoy worship!

Welcome and Gathering

L. The Lord be with you!

P. And also with you!

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

L. Some people have come to worship, feeling that the storms of life threaten to overwhelm them.

P. Some of those people are us.

L. Some people have come to worship, wondering if God is really going to help them.

P. Some of those people are us.

L. In Scripture, sermon, and song, let us seek the rescuing power of Jesus.

P. Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult, of our life's wild restless sea; day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me."

Hymn No. 485 – "To God Be the Glory"

To God be the glory, great things He hath 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.

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 hath done!

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath 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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Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious God, we confess that our lives are filled with busyness, crammed with activities, saturated with a thousand random concerns. Save us from the trivia that consumes us, and the false gods that tempt us to lesser pursuits. Grant by Your grace that we may learn to follow where You lead, and to heed Your sovereign call to discipleship. In Jesus' name, we confess.....

Silent Prayer..... "Amen"

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Assurance of Pardon

L. Sisters and brothers, although we have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God,

**P. We are justified by God's grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.
In Him, we are forgiven.**

Response: "Spirit of the Living God"

**Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.**

Childrens' Chat

The Pastoral and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Special Music

Epistle Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Hymn No. 403 – "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

**What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer!**

**Are we weak and heavy laden? Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge --- Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.**

Gospel Lesson – Luke 18:1-8a

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Sermon: "Carly's Prayer"

Call to Giving and Prayer of Dedication

The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymn No. 249 – "O Lord, Make Haste to Hear My Cry" [*sing to tune of "Go With Us, Lord"*]

**O Lord, make haste to hear my cry. To You I call, on You rely.
Incline to me a gracious ear, and when I call, in mercy hear.**

**When in the morning unto You, I call in supplication new,
Then let my prayer as incense rise, To God enthroned above the skies.**

**When unto You I look and pray, With lifted hands at close of day,
Then as the evening sacrifice, Let my request accepted rise.**

**O guard my thoughts, I now implore, And of my lips O keep the door;
Nor leave my sinful heart to stray, Where evil footsteps lead the way.**

The Benediction

The Postlude

Many thanks to our worship team this morning: Rachel Caniglia
Isabel Gill
Christopher Olson
Nancy McEwen
Nancy, Craig and Olivia Aguon
Doug Beery
Roger and Liz Sibert
Leigh Conti
Kathy Bachtel
David and Logan Rankl
Pastor Larry Lalama

As always, thank you for inviting us into your homes! The richest blessings of our Lord be upon you and yours in the week ahead. See you next Sunday!