

GOOD HOPE

Presbyterian Church

May 5, 2019

Lord's Day Morning

PRELUDE

GREETINGS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67

“May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us, that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise You! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God shall bless us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!”

HYMN 498

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

PRAYER OF PRAISE

RESPONSIVE READING

Luke 15:1–7

Leader: “Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, ‘This man receives sinners and eats with them.’ So He told them this parable:

People: ‘What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

Leader: And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’

People: Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.”

HYMN

O Church Arise

O church, arise and put your armor on;
Hear the call of Christ our captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.

With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is “Love!”
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride,
Give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

CHILDREN'S STORY

(Children ages 3 and under may be dismissed to the nursery).

RESPONSIVE READING

Acts 1:6–11

Leader: “So when they had come together, they asked Him, ‘Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’

People: He said to them, ‘It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority. But you will

receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.’

Leader: And when He had said these things, as they were looking on, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as He went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw Him go into heaven.’”

HYMN *May the Peoples Praise You*

You have called us out of darkest night into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy; with endless life

Chorus:

*May the peoples praise You; let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes that we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus*

All the earth is Yours and all within; each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You to make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word

Chorus

This our holy privilege to declare Your praises and Your name
To every nation, tribe and tongue, Your church proclaims

Chorus

Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
Worthy, worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
All creation praise Your glorious Name

Chorus

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Go Light Your Candle* Chris Rice
Soloist: Sarah Baker

There is a candle in ev'ry soul;
some brightly burning, some dark and cold.
There is a Spirit Who brings a fire,
ignites a candle and makes His home.

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,
seek out the hopeless, confused and torn.
Hold out your candle for all to see it.
Take your candle and go light your world.

Frustrated brother, see how he's tried to light
his own candle some other way.
See now your sister, she's been robbed and lied to,
still holds a candle without a flame.

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,
seek out the lonely, the tired and worn. . .

We are a family whose hearts are blazing,
so let's raise our candles and light up the sky.
Praying to our Father, in the name of Jesus,
make us a beacon in darkest time.

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,
seek out the helpless, deceived and poor. . .

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,
seek out the hopeless, confused and worn. . .

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

HYMN *10,000 Reasons*

Chorus:

*Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name.*

