

BIG CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rensselaer, MO

August 1, 2021 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

*Hymn of Praise #33

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

*Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship

(from Psalm 68)

Leader: Sing to God, sing praises to His Name. Lift up a song to Him who rides through the deserts. His name is the LORD; Exult before Him!

PEOPLE: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in His holy habitation.

Leader: God settles the solitary in a home; He leads out prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

PEOPLE: Kingdoms of earth, sing to God. Sing praises to the Lord.

Leader: Awesome is God from His sanctuary. Blessed be God!

*Hymn #272

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

Prayer of Confession (in unison):

Risen Lord Jesus, Your mercy and power are great. Even the cords of death cannot bind You. Forces of darkness bend before You, the Light of the World. Yet I **fail to hope in You**. I confess I have trusted in my **own strength**, in my **own wisdom**, in my **own ways**. My sin is great. Yet You, my God, are greater. Your death is my life, Your resurrection is my peace, Your ascension is my hope, as You intercede for me at the right hand of the Father.

Private Prayers (silently before God)

Words of Assurance

John 3:16-18

***Gloria Patri** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

***Affirmation of Faith** (printed on insert):

Apostles' Creed

Welcome & Announcements

(Children may remain with parents in the sanctuary, nursery, or upstairs.)

Sharing of Needs and Mercies

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer (printed in insert)

Worshiping God with Tithes & Offerings

***Doxology**

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn #91**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Message

Guest Preacher, Dr. Woodie Burt

***Sending Hymn #286**

"I Bind My Heart This Tide"

***Benediction**

*Grace to you and peace
from Him who is and who was and who is to come
and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness,
the Firstborn of the dead, the Ruler of kings on earth.
(And all God's people said...)*

***Response**

The LORD is good! Hallelujah!

***Postlude**

** Please stand, if you are able and it is comfortable for you.
Assistive listening devices are available upon request.*

*Rev. Nathan Markley, Pastor
Elder Jim Humphreys, Liturgist
Rebecca McElroy, Pianist
All Members, Ministers*

***Hymn of Praise #33** *"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"*

1 From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through every land, in every tongue. (Alleluia! 5x)

2 In every land begin the song,
To every land the strains belong: Alleluia! Alleluia!
In cheerful sound all voices raise
And fill the world with joyful praise. (Alleluia! 5x)

3 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy word: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more. (Alleluia! 5x) Amen.

***Hymn #272** *"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"*

1 Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou biddest me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

2 Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

4 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

5 Just as I am, Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come! Amen.

***Hymn #91** *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

1 A mighty Fortress is our God, A Bulwark never failing;
Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great; And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,
Lord Sabaoth His name, From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, For lo! his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His Kingdom is forever. Amen.

***Sending Hymn #286** *"I Bind My Heart This Tide"*

1 I bind my heart this tide To the Galilean's side,
To the wounds of Calvary, To the Christ who died for me.
I bind my soul this day To the brother far away,
And the brother near at hand, In this town, and in this land.

2 I bind my heart in thrall To the God, the Lord of all,
To the God, the poor man's Friend, And the Christ whom He did send.
I bind myself to peace, To make strife and envy cease,
God, knit Thou sure the cord Of my thralldom to my Lord! Amen.

Announcements

- 1) **Today** directly after worship we'll be sharing in a carry-in dinner. We'll be joined by a guest from Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch.
- 2) Our offering **next Sunday** (Aug. 8) will go toward Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch, which helps provide stable homes with spiritual guidance for abused, neglected, and at-risk children.
- 3) Session meets **this Thursday** (Aug. 5) at 2:00.



**The Worship of God on
August 1, 2021**

*In Essentials, Unity
In Non-Essentials, Liberty
In All Things, Charity (Love)*

A note to parents:

We're always glad when kids join us in the sanctuary to worship God! While nursery services are still on hold for health safety, parents may keep kids with them in the sanctuary, in the downstairs nursery space, or in the balcony upstairs any time during the worship service.



**Sunday School 10:00
Worship Service 11:00**

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