



Tates Creek
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

Call to Worship

The Call to Worship is traditionally the first element in a Christian liturgy, serving as the moment of consecration. God’s word is used to invite us into the sacred time of corporate worship, and we respond with our voices as an answer to His call.

Congregational Singing

A unique aspect of Christian worship is that we sing together. Our singing is an expression of love for God and joy in his gospel. Singing strong hymns grounded in the truths of our theology raises our eyes from awe of the created to awe of the Creator. Scripture commands us to sing. Beautiful voices are not required, but a community joining together to sing truth and to sing it with passion and conviction is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

July 26, 2020 at 9:00 and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship from Psalm 96

LEADER:

Let us sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the Earth!

PEOPLE:

**Let us sing to the Lord and bless His name,
let us tell of His salvation from day to day.**

LEADER:

Let us declare His glory among the nations,
His marvelous works among all the peoples!

PEOPLE:

**For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
He is to be feared above all gods.**

UNISON:

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

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Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
My soul with comfort rich He fills, and ev’ry grief He gently stills:
To God all praise and glory.

What God’s almighty power has made, in mercy He is keeping;
By morning glow or ev’ning shade His eye is never sleeping.
And where He rules in kingly might, there all is just and all is right:
To God all praise and glory.

We sought the Lord in our distress; O God, in mercy hear us.
Our Savior saw our helplessness and came with peace to cheer us.
For this we thank and praise the Lord, who is by one and all adored:
To God all praise and glory.

Then come before His presence now and banish fear and sadness;
To your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well,
To God all praise and glory!

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

UNISON:

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.

Welcome & Announcements

Baptism

11:15 - Ryker Reed Burgher, son of Jonathan & Brittany Burgher

Declaration to Our Covenant Children from the Church of Scotland

UNISON:

For you Jesus Christ came into the world.

For you he lived and showed God's love.

For you he suffered the darkness of Calvary.

For you he triumphed over death and rose to new life.

For you he reigns at God's right hand.

All this he did for you, Ryker, though you do not know it yet.

Invocation

The minister invokes the presence of God that is promised to those who gather in His name. We ask for God to join us in worship, to lead us in worship, and to be pleased with our worship.

Scripture Reading Genesis 12:1-3

1Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. **2**And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. **3**I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

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All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, **but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

Confession of God’s People Traditional Reformed Confession of Sin

UNISON:

Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive us for our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore us in such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God’s People

MINISTER:

Do you turn from your lack of trust in God’s promises to you?

PEOPLE:

We do.

MINISTER:

Do you turn from your obsession of things which cannot satisfy your soul?

PEOPLE:

We do.

MINISTER:

Do you turn from your doubts of the power and goodness of our Lord?

PEOPLE:

We do.

Assurance of God’s Pardon from Colossians 1:13-14

MINISTER:

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Confession of God’s People

In the Confession of Sin we humbly agree with Scripture’s claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. This is the most honest moment of our week, as we confess our sin and shame together. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and individually through a moment of silence for private confession.

Repentance of God’s People

Our time of confession becomes a time of fresh commitment through corporate repentance. Together we boldly turn from all evil and offer our lives again to God. Only say these words if you are indeed willing to repent of your sins.

Assurance of God’s Pardon

Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God’s grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is already ours in Christ Jesus.

Hymn of Renewal *Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*

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What gift of grace is Je - sus my Re -
The night is dark, but I am not for -
No fate I dread, I know I am for -
With ev - 'ry breath, I long to fol - low



deem - er; There is no more for Hea - ven now to give. He is my
sa - ken, for by my side, the Sa - viour He will stay. I la - bour
giv - en; the fu - ture sure, the price it has been paid. For Je - sus
Je - sus for He has said that He will bring me home. And day by



joy, my right - eous - ness, and free - dom; My stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less
on in weak - ness and re - joi - cing, for in my need, His pow - er is dis -
bled, and suf - fered for my par - don; And He was raised to ov - er - throw the
day, I know He will re - new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the



peace. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus, for my
played. To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend me; Through the
grave! To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus
throne. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the



life is who - lly bound to His. Oh how strange and div - ine, I can
deep - est val - ley He will lead. Oh the night has been won, and I
now and ev - er is my plea. Oh the chains are re - leased, I can
glo - ry ev - er - more to Him. When the race is com - plete, still my



sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
shall o - ver - come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
lips shall re - peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

Confession of Faith

We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by reciting the ancient creeds of our faith. We share these words with saints throughout the centuries as well as those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold proclamation to the watching world of what we believe is true.

Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism

MINISTER:

Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

PEOPLE:

The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

MINISTER:

What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

PEOPLE:

The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

MINISTER:

How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

PEOPLE:

In revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

MINISTER:

How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

PEOPLE:

In his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

MINISTER:

How does Christ execute the office of a king?

PEOPLE:

In subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Doxology Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Pray*

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Pray in the morning, pray in the noontime,
Pray when the day is through.
Pray when you're happy, pray when you're worried,
Pray when you don't know what to do.

Pray without ceasing, pray without ceasing.
Praise Him, adore Him, fall down before Him;
Pray, pray, just pray.

Scripture Reading Hebrews 6:13-20

13For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, **14**saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." **15**And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise. **16**For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. **17**So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, **18**so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. **19**We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, **20**where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

LEADER:
The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE:
Thanks be to God.

Offering

The offering is received, not merely as a way to pay the bills, but as an act of worship. In response to the God from whom all blessings flow, we give freely, joyfully, and sacrificially to His beloved bride, the Church.

Hymn of Response *In Christ Alone*

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In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Benediction

The minister raises His hands and pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open wide your hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours in Christ Jesus!

Benediction

MINISTER:
Go love your God;

PEOPLE:
Go love your neighbor.

Postlude



Giving Report: For more info, visit tcpca.org/give

June Actual Giving:	\$172,603	YTD Actual Giving (Oct-Jun):	\$1,711,720
June Giving Goal:	\$186,440	YTD Actual Expenses (Oct-Jun):	\$1,858,486
Difference:	-13,837	Difference:	-\$146,766

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