



## Redeemer Presbyterian Church West Side

July 11, 2021

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**Prelude** | *The Little Shepherd* (Claude Debussy)

**Welcome** | Rev. Andrew Field

**Call to Worship** | Psalm 98

Leader: Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

**All:** **He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.**

**Song of Praise** | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been, granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, oh, let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him;  
Let the Amen sound from His people again, gladly for aye we adore Him.

**Song of Praise** | The Lion and the Lamb

He's coming on the clouds; Kings and kingdoms will bow down

And every chain will break, as broken hearts declare His praise

Who can stop the Lord Almighty

*Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah. He's roaring with power and fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him. Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain  
For the sin of the world His blood breaks the chains and every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Oh, every knee will bow before Him*

So open up the gates; Make way before the King of kings  
Our God who calls to save, is here to set the captives free  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty *[chorus]*

Who can stop the Lord Almighty; Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty; Who can stop the Lord Almighty *[chorus]*

**Prayer of Adoration** *(concluded by 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Doxology**

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others take your part. O praise him Alleluia  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care  
O praise him O praise him Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

Let all things their creator bless and worship him with humbleness. O praise him, Alleluia  
Praise praise the Father praise the Son and praise the spirit Three in One  
O praise him O praise him Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

**Prayer of Confession** — *From 1 Corinthians 13*

*After each verse is read, quietly meditate on the question that follows.*

Love is patient. Am I willing to endure trying people?

Love is kind. Am I thinking or acting unkindly toward anyone?

Love is not possessive. Am I manipulative or do I use people?

Love is not boastful or proud. Do I love to be the center of attention?

Love is courteous. Am I considerate, thoughtful, warm?

Love is not selfish. Am I always insistent on my needs and rights?

Love is not irritable or bitter. Am I forgiving or do I keep a record of wrongs?

Love delights in truth and righteousness. Do I put obedience to God first in my life?

**All:**       **Merciful Savior, we confess to you how often we sin, and how many ways that we neglect your wise and gracious commands of love. Forgive us, we pray, and remake us into the image of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

**Words of Encouragement** | Romans 8:1

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

**Song of Praise** | I Surrender All

All to Jesus I surrender, all to him I freely give. I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live

*I surrender all, I surrender all. All to Thee my blessed Saviour I surrender all*

All to Jesus I surrender humbly at His feet I bow. Worldly pleasures all forsaken, take me Jesus, take me now. *[chorus]*

All to Jesus I surrender, now I feel the sacred flame. O the joy of full salvation Glory, glory to His name. *[chorus]*

**Greeting & Announcement** | New service time on August 1. West Side Kids opens for 0-3 year olds next week.

**Scripture Reading** | Ecclesiastes 1:12-18, 2:12-17

<sup>1:12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under the heavens. What a heavy burden God has laid on mankind! <sup>14</sup> I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

<sup>15</sup> What is crooked cannot be straightened;  
what is lacking cannot be counted.

<sup>16</sup> I said to myself, "Look, I have increased in wisdom more than anyone who has ruled over Jerusalem before me; I have experienced much of wisdom and knowledge." <sup>17</sup> Then I applied myself to the understanding of wisdom, and also of madness and folly, but I learned that this, too, is a chasing after the wind.

<sup>18</sup> For with much wisdom comes much sorrow;  
the more knowledge, the more grief.

<sup>2:12</sup> Then I turned my thoughts to consider wisdom,  
and also madness and folly.

What more can the king's successor do  
than what has already been done?

<sup>13</sup> I saw that wisdom is better than folly,  
just as light is better than darkness.

<sup>14</sup> The wise have eyes in their heads,  
while the fool walks in the darkness;

but I came to realize  
that the same fate overtakes them both.

<sup>15</sup> Then I said to myself,  
"The fate of the fool will overtake me also.  
What then do I gain by being wise?"

I said to myself,  
"This too is meaningless."

<sup>16</sup> For the wise, like the fool, will not be long remembered;  
the days have already come when both have been forgotten.

Like the fool, the wise too must die!

<sup>17</sup> So I hated life, because the work that is done under the sun was grievous to me. All of it is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

**Sermon** | *The Point of Education* preached by Rev. David Bisgrove

**Closing Song** | Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus Just to take Him at His word  
Just to rest upon His Promise Just to know, Thus saith the Lord

*Jesus Jesus how I trust him How I've proved him o'er and o'er  
Jesus Jesus Precious Jesus O for Grace to trust him more.*

O how sweet to trust in Jesus; Just to trust His cleansing blood  
Just in simple faith to plunge me; Neath the healing, cleansing flood *[chorus]*

Yes tis sweet to trust in Jesus; Just from sin and self to cease  
Just from Jesus simply taking; Life, and rest, and joy and peace *[chorus]*

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee; Precious Jesus, Saviour, Friend  
And I know that thou art with me; Wilt be with me to the end. *[chorus]*

**Benediction & Dismissal**

Minister:       Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**All:**           **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** | *I Surrender All* (VanDeVenter / Weeden)

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## Communion Service

### The Apostles' Creed

**All:** I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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.  
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.

*\*[meaning, the true Christian church of all times and all places]*

### Prayer of Approach

#### Words of Institution

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Minister: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

#### Distribution of the Bread and Wine — In Christ Alone

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 the 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 the 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

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**All: Gracious Lord, we give you thanks for calling us out of the darkness and into your glorious light. When we remember the price you paid, the death of your only Son, we wonder and marvel at the greatness of your love.**

**We give our lives to you Lord, and pray that through your Spirit you would teach us how to live according to your will. Send us out now to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of your mercy. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### Benediction