# In-Person Bulletin for Worship October 24, 2021 9:00 Service

**Prelude** "Open the Eyes of My Heart with Amazing Grace" "Be Thou My Vision with Be Glorified" arr. Carol Tornquist arr. Carol Tornquist

#### Announcements

## Light of Christ brought in.

## **Call to Worship**

Take heart, Christ is calling us. He beckons us to come . . . Come near to him. Stand before Christ. "What do you want me to do?" he asks. We have come here; We're drawn here. We desire to be here. To have our sight restored.

# Musical Meditation "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

(congregation remains standing during a brief instrumental solo) Words for mediation
I will call upon the Lord (ECHO)
Who is worthy to be praised (ECHO)
So shall I be saved from my enemies (ECHO)
The Lord liveth
And blessed be my Rock
Let the God of my salvation be exalted *CCLI Song # 11263 Michael O'Shields*© 1981 MCA Music Publ., A.D.O. Universal Studio (Admin. by Universal Music Publishing Group)
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# **Prayer of Adoration**

*Let us pray:* Great Triune God, through Jesus Christ, our great and eternal High Priest, we give you praise and consecrate ourselves to follow you. As we worship you and celebrate your glorious resurrection, open our eyes so that we may see open the eyes of our mind to learning and understanding; open the eyes of our heart, to love and compassion; Jolene Schry

arranged by Fred Bock

open the eyes of our soul, to see our spiritual selves during our time of worship. Amen.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Mystical, transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance, we utter what we do not understand. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions. Restore us, O God, from our self-inflicted wounds. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Son of God, and save us by your unending intercession.

Take a few moments for your own silent confession

#### Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness

Cry out to Christ, our great High Priest, for he has saved us. Our faith has made us well, brought us forgiveness, and granted us peace. AMEN.

#### The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "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. Public Domain Glory Be to the Father TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)

#### Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-9

<sup>7</sup> For thus says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.'
<sup>8</sup> See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here.
<sup>9</sup> With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

#### Hebrews 7:23-28

<sup>23</sup> Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; <sup>24</sup>but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. <sup>25</sup>Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup> For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup>Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. <sup>28</sup>For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

#### Mark 10:46-52

<sup>46</sup> They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' <sup>48</sup>Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' <sup>49</sup>Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' <sup>50</sup>So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' <sup>52</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Message: "Mercy" Pastoral Prayer Pastor Dan Schultz

#### **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. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

#### Benediction

Sending Music: "Shout to the North"

(assembly dismisses during this instrumental piece) Glory to God Hymnal #319 TEXT: Martin Smith, 1995; © 1995 Curious? Music UK (admin. EMICMGPublishing.com) MUSIC (SMITH 7.7.7.7 with chorus and bridge): Martin Smith, 1995; © 1995 Curious? Music UK (admin. EMICMGPublishing.com) All rights reserved. First Presbyterian Church, FDL CCLI License #1644445

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