

# Christ Presbyterian Church

January 24, 2021

Opening Song

## **Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favor  
to all people in distress.  
Praise him, still the same forever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us;  
all our hopes and fears he knows.  
In his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Widely as his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face.  
Sun and moon, bow down before him,  
all who dwell in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace!

**\*Prayer of Confession (unison)**

*Father, we confess our sinfully judgmental attitudes and absurd hypocrisy. We look on other people with disdain, and judge them obviously unable to be as smart, reasonable, pure, wise, God-fearing, or generally just as good as we are. We willfully blind ourselves to the mountain of remaining sin in our own lives while we examine with smug satisfaction the broken and sin-stained lives around us. Father, forgive us and wash away our hypocrisy. Give us more of the heart of Jesus, who looked on broken people with love and compassion. (Silent Prayer)*

**\*Words of Assurance**

**Refiner's Fire**

Purify my heart,  
let me be as gold and precious silver;  
purify my heart,  
let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refrain:*

*Refiner's fire,  
my heart's one desire is to be holy,  
set apart for You, Lord.  
I choose to be holy,  
set apart for You, my Master,  
ready to do Your will.*

Purify my heart,  
Cleanse me from within and make me holy.  
Purify my heart,  
Cleanse me from my sin deep within.  
(Refrain)

Pastoral Prayer

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. Amen.*

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Judges 6:11-14

**He Knows My Name**

I have a Maker - he formed my heart;  
before even time began, my life was in his hand.

*Refrain:*

*He knows my name,  
he knows my every thought,  
he sees each tear that falls  
and hears me when I call.*

I have a Father - he calls me his own;  
he'll never leave me no matter where I go.

Gospel Reading

John 1:40 - 51

Sermon

“What Jesus Sees in You”

\*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

*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, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy universal church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Closing Song

**Christ is the One Who Calls**

Christ is the One who calls,  
the One who loved and came,  
to whom by right it falls  
to bear the highest Name.  
And still today our hearts are stirred  
to hear his word and walk his way.

Christ is the One who seeks,  
to whom our souls are known;  
the word of love he speaks  
can wake a heart of stone,  
for at that sound the blind can see,  
the slave is free, the lost are found.

Christ is the One who sends,  
his story to declare,  
who calls his servants friends  
and gives them news to share.  
His truth proclaim in all the earth  
his matchless worth and saving Name

Benediction