



FIRST WORSHIP – RELEVANT FAITH FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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9:00 a.m

WELCOME

Amanda McDonald

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather this day,
with God and community
to worship the unchanging God.

PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC:

From the Inside Out

Words and Music by Joel Houston

A thousand times I've failed, still Your mercy remains.
And should I stumble again, still I'm caught in Your grace.
Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame.

My heart and my soul, I give You control.
Consume me from the inside out, Lord.
Let justice and praise become my embrace,
to love You from the inside out.

Your will above all else, my purpose remains,
The art of losing myself in bringing You praise.
Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame.

My heart and my soul, I give You control.
Consume me from the inside out, Lord.
Let justice and praise become my embrace,
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CHORUS

Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame.
And the cry of my heart is to bring You praise.
From the inside out Lord, my soul cries out.

INSTRUMENTAL—9 MEASURES

My heart and my soul, I give You control.
Consume me from the inside out, Lord.
Let justice and praise become my embrace,

to love You from the inside out. **[Sing Chorus twice]**

From the inside out Lord, my soul cries out.

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Ten Thousand Reasons

Words and Music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

CHORUS

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul. Worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,

let me be singing when the evening comes. **[Repeat Chorus]**

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind.

For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing: Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

[Repeat Chorus]

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come.

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending: Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

[Repeat Chorus]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we have been content to focus on those things that benefit ourselves. We have not created a world based in wisdom and understanding; we have not loved well. We have prioritized the wrong things, and we have neglected the people and places you have called us to serve. We have forgotten others; we have forgotten who we are in you. Have mercy on us that we may become beacons of your light. May we light up the spaces where your love is needed most. ...*silent confession*... Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 14:17-20 After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. ¹⁹He blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; ²⁰and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

Hebrews 5:1-10 Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was

appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

MESSAGE

The Priesthood of All Believers.

Rev. Stewart Smith

"Come to Him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."-- 1 Peter 2:4-5

SONG FOR REFLECTION:

I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)

Words and Music by Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker, Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Out of the depths I cry to you, in darkest places I will call;
incline your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were you to count my sinful ways, how could I come before your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze; I stand redeemed by grace alone.

CHORUS: I will wait for you, I will wait for you, on your Word I will rely.
I will wait for you, surely wait for you, till my soul is satisfied.

So put your hope in God alone, take courage in his pow'r to save;
Completely and forever won, by Christ emerging from the grave. **[Repeat Chorus]**

His steadfast love has made a way, and God Himself has paid the price,
That all who trust in him today find healing in his sacrifice. **[Repeat Chorus]**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Isaac Thomas

God, in mystery.

Listen and have mercy.

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.

SONG:

Blessing to the World

Words and Music by Karen Drucker

You are the heart, you are the hands,
you are the voice of Spirit on Earth.
And who you are, and all you do
is a blessing to the world.

I am the heart, I am the hands,
I am the voice of Spirit on Earth.

And who I am, and all I do
is a blessing to the world.

We are the heart, we are the hands,
We are the voice of Spirit on Earth.
And who we are, and all we do
is a blessing to the world.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Stewart Smith

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*As we sing the final song, we ask that you leave the sanctuary singing together into The Gathering Place.
We will use this time for fellowship and to pass the Peace of Christ after the service.*

BENEDICTION SONG:

Canto de Esperanza (Song of Hope)

Words and Music by Todd Smith, Jennie Lee Riddle, and Charity Gayle

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and love to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all, working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call. (repeat verse)

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