



BALLANTYNE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

September 27, 2020
11:00 a.m.

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire victory;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;
And to whoever will come –
This church opens wide her doors
And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 11:17, Psalm 145:10

Leader: We offer thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, Who is and Who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign.

All: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. Jas. 1:17

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5. For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
 hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
 • for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
 friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
 grac - es hu - man and di - vine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,

REFRAIN
 Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

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PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: O gracious God, do not rebuke us in your anger, nor discipline us in your wrath.

All: You are holy, and our sins keep us from your presence. Heal us from our sin, for which we are troubled.

Leader: Your ways are right, O righteous God. Save us in your mercy, deliver us by your steadfast love.

All: You are merciful to those who seek you. Accept our plea and forgive us all our sins through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God and they shall be my people... For I will be merciful toward their iniquities and I will remember their sins no more.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

With All My Heart My Thanks I'll Bring (v. 1-2) ARP Psalter #138

1. ¹ With all my heart my thanks I'll bring, Be - fore the
2. For You have mag - ni - fied Your word, So far a -

gods Your praise I'll sing. ² I'll bow down toward Your
bove Your name a - dored. ³ You an - swered me the

ho - ly place, And praise Your name for truth and grace;
day I called, You strength-ened me and made me bold.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 39:1-10, page 667

The Fall of Jerusalem

39 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and all his army came against Jerusalem and besieged it. ²In the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, on the ninth day of the month, a breach was made in the city. ³Then all the officials of the king of Babylon came and sat in the middle gate: Nergal-sar-ezer of Samgar, Nebu-sar-sekim the Rab-saris, Nergal-sar-ezer the Rab-mag, with all the rest of the officers of the king of Babylon. ⁴When Zedekiah king of Judah and all the soldiers saw them, they fled, going out of the city at night by way of the king's garden through the gate between the two walls; and they went toward the Arabah. ⁵But the army of the Chaldeans pursued them and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho. And when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, at Riblah, in the land of Hamath; and he passed sentence on him. ⁶The king of Babylon slaughtered the sons of Zedekiah at Riblah before his eyes, and the king of Babylon slaughtered all the nobles of Judah. ⁷He put out the eyes of Zedekiah and bound him in chains to take him to Babylon. ⁸The Chaldeans burned the king's house and the house of the people, and broke down the walls of Jerusalem. ⁹Then Nebuzaradan, the captain of the guard, carried into exile to Babylon the rest of the people who were left in the city, those who had deserted to him, and the people who remained. ¹⁰Nebuzaradan, the captain of the guard, left in the land of Judah some of the poor people who owned nothing, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

THE CONFESSION 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 sits at 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 catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE GLORIA PATRI


Trinity Hymnal No. 734

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, Amen.


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Charles Meincke

THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD


Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery 184




1. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, In the dawn - ing of the King;
 2. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, He the per - fect Son of Man;
 3. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree,
 4. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Slain by death the God of life;



He the theme of heav-en's prais - es, Robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.
 In His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring Nev - er trace nor stain of sin.
 In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners, Hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.
 But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, Praise the Lord, He is a - live!



In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, Now the light of life has come;
 See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, Come to save the hell-bound man;
 See the price of our re - demp - tion, See the Fa - ther's plan un - fold;
 What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, How un - wa - ver - ing our hope;



Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, Took on flesh to ran - som us.
 Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment Of the law, in Him we stand.
 Bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, Grace un - meas - ured, love un - told.
 Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, As we will be, when He comes.

"Resurrection Hope for the Ruts of Life"

1 Corinthians 15:1-20, ESV page 961

The Resurrection of Christ

15 Now I would remind you, brothers,^[a] of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in Christ we have hope^[a] in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:57

1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," Al - - le - lu - ia!
 2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - le - lu - ia!

sons of men and an - gels say; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has burst the gates of hell; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - - le - lu - ia!

raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 death in vain for - bids his rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died, our souls to save; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 made like him, like him we rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - - le - lu - ia!

*** BENEDICTION**

*** DOXOLOGY**

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Amen

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****TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

At this time, we do not plan to collect the offering by passing the plate. These are available in the back of the sanctuary. Online or mail-in giving are still encouraged, but you can drop a check in the plate if that is more convenient.

ONLINE: <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

MAIL: Please mail tithe checks (no cash) to the treasurer's address. She will immediately deposit to the church's account and forward the Wells Fargo e-mail confirmation to you:

Marilyn Spencer - BPC Treasurer
3020 Shaker Drive
Charlotte, NC 28210

SAVE THE DATE

Oct. 10 & 17 Ride the Virginia Creeper – Contact keithkowadlo@oldwak.com

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

8/31/20 YTD	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income	\$226,530	\$226,133	\$397
Expenses	\$214,510	\$226,133	(\$11,623)
Net Income/ (Deficit)	\$12,020	\$0	\$12,020

**BALLANTYNE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S MISSION
IS TO DECLARE GOD'S GLORY TO BALLANTYNE,
SOUTH CHARLOTTE, AND BEYOND.**