



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of MADISON

Lives Transformed

Welcome, we are glad you are here!

November 18, 2018

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WELCOME TO THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of MADISON

Relax. We're glad to have you, just as you are. We believe Jesus Christ teaches us that, so we really mean it. You're a child of God and you're safe here, no matter what.

Each one of us is in a different place on this life journey. The person next to you may be here for the first time, or they may have been born into a family in our church for generations. We're all continually learning, growing, and evolving as we connect in the Spirit with the rest of the world.

Children in church make squirmy joyful noises to the Lord! Babies cry! Relax about all that, too. If you wish, safe childcare is available for 4 and under. Your greeter will be happy to show you the way.

Please stick around after church for a few minutes if you have the time. We have refreshments and fellowship time in the lobby area. It's a great way to get acquainted!

Check out the box below for how it all works. We're all different, together, and God isn't finished with us. Come and see!

Scott Foster, Pastor

*Stand in body or spirit.

Bold - Everything is said in unison.

Italics - We all sing.

After children's message, K-5 escape to Sunday School.
Please share your info with us using the card in the pew.
Write prayer requests in the book at the back of the church.

Visit PCMADISON.ORG for more information

ORDER of WORSHIP

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus: “⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.” -- Mark 13: 7-8 (NRSV)

THE GATHERING

Praise Music (A time of centering and preparation for worship.
Please silence all electronic devices.)

Prelude

Welcome

“Let us prepare our hearts to worship God...”

* *In Christ Alone*

Getty/Townend

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YBNFNfH89SA>

VERSE 1:

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

VERSE 2:

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 that 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

VERSE 3:

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up 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

VERSE 4:

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

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

(The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.)

VERSE 1:

**Praise ye 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;
join me in glad adoration!**

VERSE 2:

**Praise ye 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?

VERSE 3:

Praise ye the Lord! O 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.

Just as I Am, without One Plea

(The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.)

VERSE 1:

Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

VERSE 2:

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

VERSE 3:

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

VERSE 4:

Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

* Opening Prayer

All: Merciful God, hear our cries. Honor our tears. Stir our passion for worship, to give you our very best. To the glory of your name. Amen.

Call to Confession

Let us draw near to God with sincere hearts and full assurance of faith, our guilty hearts sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water. Let us confess our sins before God and one another...

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are the rock and redeemer, the foundation of faith. This world is seductive. Things look secure, and we are easy prey. Forgive us our choices and forgive us our trespasses. We are blessed beyond understanding. Fill our hearts and souls—overflowing with thanksgiving. O Lord, hear our prayers...

Response *You Alone Can Rescue*

Redman/Myrin

VERSE 1:

Who O Lord could save themselves

Their own soul could heal

Our shame was deeper than the sea

Your grace is deeper still

(Silence is kept for our personal prayers of confession.)

One: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! This is sure and worthy of full acceptance. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed and restored!

Response *You Alone Can Rescue*

Redman/Myrin

CHORUS:

You alone can rescue

You alone can save

You alone can lift us from the grave

You came down to find us led us out of death

To You alone belongs the highest praise. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Epistle Reading Hebrews 10:19-25

(N.T.pg. 224)

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Special Music *What A Beautiful Name*

Fielding/Ligertwood

Young People's Message

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:1-8

(N.T. pg. 50)

¹As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large

buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

Sermon “Push!”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*** *This Is My Father's World***

(The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.)

VERSE 1:

**This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.**

**This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
his hand the wonders wrought.**

VERSE 2:

**This is my Father's world.
O, let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world.**

The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.

* Affirmation of Faith (Philippians 2:5-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

Prayers of the People/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.

Announcements

Invitation to Discipleship

Offering

Offertory *Morning Has Broken*

* **Doxology**

(The tune for the Doxology is at the back of this booklet.)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God whom we adore.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!*

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Amazing God of all, bless our time, talent, and resources to see lives transformed, families strengthened, and our community renewed through intentional relationship with Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

* *In Christ Alone* (Reprise)

Getty/Townend

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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
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* **Charge and Benediction** (Please join hands.)

* **Passing of the Peace and Postlude**



WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome Anna D’Achille, Director of Musical Arts! Join us after church for snacks and a coffee-hour reception to properly welcome her.

Thanks to Mary-Anna Holden for reading today, and to the entire PCM Worship Team of planners, players, leaders, servers, and singers.

What gifts do you bring? Share with us! Joyful worship comes from the soul of our collective Spirit. Come find your voice or vision here! Come play, sing, ring bells, read, lead, serve communion. If you have a gift of the arts such as music, drama, dance, poetry, prose, painting, or sculpting for examples, please give some thought to sharing it in worship.

What a great blessing!

About Today’s Worship

Our worship team is developing a more blended style of worship with new contemporary worship songs and music as well as our traditional hymns and pieces. We will sing hymns. The choir will sing. The bell choir will play. We will hear our students. We will hear soloists. We will hear the band. It’s a mix, and we may not have everything in the same day—unless you want to skip lunch. We hope it touches you.

About Today’s Readings

We print the scripture readings in the bulletin, so you can follow along more easily. We also include the page numbers if you want to read from your pew Bible. Except where noted, all of our readings are usually from the New Revised Standard Version translation.

About Hebrews 10:19-25

Back in the day when the books of the New Testament were first being assembled, they called Hebrews “The Letter of Paul to the Hebrews.” But as modern scholarship develops, the conclusion is that Paul didn’t write it at all. In all probability there are only seven letters that the

historical Paul actually wrote: Romans, 1-2 Corinthians, Galatians, Philippians, 1 Thessalonians, and Philemon (not chronological order). The writing style in Hebrews is nothing like them at all. Hebrews is best understood as an anonymous sermon to bring hope, faith, and encouragement to the earliest Christians.

About Mark 13:1-8

Today is the last week of the lectionary cycle in “Year B” when the focus is in the Gospel of Mark. Because today’s reading addresses the destruction of the temple, most scholars want to place the writing of Mark’s Gospel right around the year 70 when the temple was destroyed for all time by the Roman Empire. This is a very political discourse from Jesus against putting too much despair and “end time” energy into the crises of resistance, repression, and reconquest under the rule of the empire. The kingdom of God is better than that! Stay vigilant, disciplined. Stay in the game! HmMMM.

About the Affirmation of Faith

Sometimes we don’t need to look any further than scripture for good and true statements of faith. Today is one of those days.

Questions To Go

What do I think about “end times”?

What are the “birthpangs”?

Why do we come to worship together?



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chancel Flowers

The flowers are purchased with your donations. The cost is \$45. Call Cathy in the office to sign up for your special dates to give flowers in memory or in honor of someone or for a special occasion.

Serve on Sunday

All are welcome, all who come in the name of the Lord! Snacks after church— check your eNews for a link to sign up.

Teach Sunday School—It's easy, really! Contact Patrick Allred.

And if you'd like to serve on our worship team on Sundays as a reader, communion server, singer, musician, bell-ringer, or greeter please do! Contact the church office for more information and we'll plug you in—973.377.1600.

Name Tags!

Do you need a name tag? If so, please contact the office at 973-377-1600 or email info@pcmadison.org and a name tag will be created for you.

Coffee with Scott

Pastor Scott hangs out at Drip Coffee every Thursday morning at 9am ('til ?). Stop by! Let's FIKA (Google it), cuss and discuss, see if you can melt an entire biscotti in a cup of tea—we might even talk about God. Crazy, right?

PCM Social Media

We're making more and more use of social media communication in our church. Follow the links in the eNews to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

Stewardship, Nov. 30th

Mark your calendar now for Friday night, November 30th for our Stewardship “Kitchen Gala” in Fellowship Hall! Music, fellowship, stuff for the kids, Mexican food, and fun! Bring your favorite fermented grape to share! We’ll have some great heavy appetizers, and drinks for the kids. The kids can go crazy crafting while we talk funding for our ministries in 2019. Watch your snail-mail later this week for pledge cards and more details. ‘Tis the season!

Feel the Breeze

Watch your email inbox—We’re installing new church management software called “Breeze”. You’ll have a chance to set up your family’s account—first thing to do is change the password! Breeze will be the communication hub for all things in PCM church life, event registration, giving statements—the whole nine. It’s a breeze...

Interfaith Food Pantry

PCM supports the IFP year-round with hundreds of pounds of food to serve eligible Morris County residents. Aging people on fixed incomes, low-income working families—the need is great! Doris’s Care Wagon will be inside the back door of the parish house. Named for long-time member and IFP advocate Doris Weber, the wagon has served our food collection for years!

The food-of-the-month for November is baby food. Stage 1 (Meats & Meals, Vegetables, Fruits), Stage 2 (Meats & Meals), Stage 3 (Meats & Meals, Vegetables) and rice baby cereal are especially needed.

In addition, we can now take frozen turkeys, turkey breasts, hams or large chickens for the Thanksgiving baskets. Please let Cathy in the office know if you are bringing any of these and leave them in the refrigerator or freezer in the parlor kitchen.

Quarters for RAMP

So far we have filled the tube four times this year, and we are closing in on the fifth. How soon can we get there? Look for it in the lobby area while you enjoy fellowship and refreshments. Children are always happy to help.

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

442 Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,
 4 Just as I am, thy love un-known has bro - ken

blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me
 con - flict, man - ya doubt, fight - ings and fears with -
 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise
 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

come to thee,
 in, with - out,
 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!
 thine a - lone,

SPANISH

1 *Tal como soy de pecador,
 sin más confianza que tu amor;
 a tu llamada vengo a ti,
 ¡Cordero de Dios, heme aquí!*

KOREAN

1 큰-죄에빠-진날위해
 주보-혈흘려주시고
 또-나를오-라하시니-
 주께로거-저갑니다

When illness limited her involvement in a bustling household, the author wrote this hymn that helped her both to achieve and to express a renewed sense of worth grounded in Christ's self-giving. Its simple, direct, and deeply felt language has made it a source of comfort to many.

This Is My Father's World 370

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis - tening ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world. O, let me ne'er for - get that

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world. The bat - tle is not done: Je -

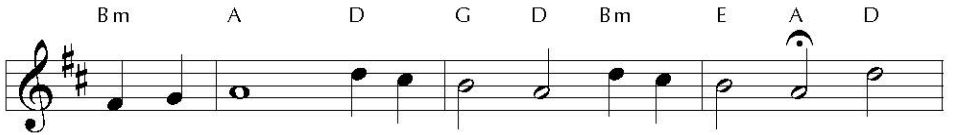
rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the won - ders wrought.
sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heaven be one.

When pastor of a Presbyterian church in Lockport, New York, the author of this text referred to his morning walks as "going out to see my Father's world." The tune created for these words is based on an English melody the composer learned from his mother when he was a boy.

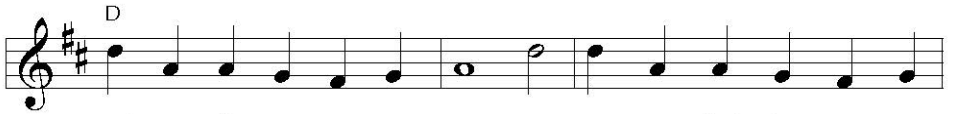
Doxology



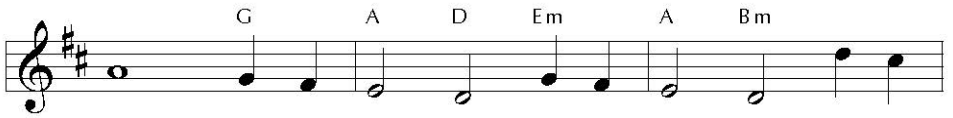
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise Christ, all creat ures



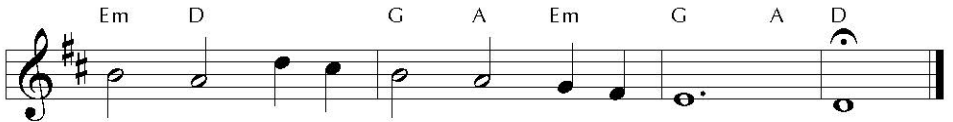
here be- low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



Holy Spirit ever more: Praise Tri- une God whom we a-



dore. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

VISION

To see lives transformed, families strengthened, and our community renewed through intentional relationship with Jesus Christ.

OUR VALUES

*Renewed Lives | Community Positive | Intergenerational Family
Joyful Service | Presbyterian Roots*

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Worship

10:15AM Sunday Service

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