



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*of* MADISON

# Lives Transformed

Welcome, we are glad you are here!

*November 17, 2019*

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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.

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# ORDER of WORSHIP

## Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" — Genesis 22:7 (NRSV)

### THE GATHERING

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

#### Introit

#### Welcome

"Let us prepare our hearts to worship God..."

\* *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* (v.1,2,4)

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

#### VERSE 1:

My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

#### REFRAIN:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

#### VERSE 2:

When darkness seems to hide his face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.

#### (REFRAIN)

#### VERSE 4:

When he shall come with trumpet sound,

O may I then in him be found,  
dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the throne.

*When in Our Music God Is Glorified*

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

**VERSE 1:**

When in our music God is glorified,  
and adoration leaves no room for pride,  
it is as though the whole creation cried:  
Alleluia!

**VERSE 2:**

How often, making music, we have found  
a new dimension in the world of sound,  
as worship moved us to a more profound  
Alleluia!

**VERSE 3:**

So has the church, in liturgy and song,  
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,  
borne witness to the truth in every tongue:  
Alleluia!

**VERSE 4:**

And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night  
when utmost evil strove against the light?  
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:  
Alleluia!

**VERSE 5:**

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!  
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!  
And may God give us faith to sing always:  
Alleluia!

## Opening Prayer

O God, our Redeemer, all creation sings your praise! You are justice and mercy, judgment and grace. We seek to be faithful, sustained by your Spirit, following our Lord Jesus Christ, 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

Creator God, your love never ends. We are determined to do it all, to have it all. Our culture demands it. Help us to think counter-culturally. The truth is: we can do nothing without you. Keep us ever mindful of your grace and your Holy Spirit among us. As we pledge our time, talent and resources to you, Holy God, show us our purpose. Help us let go and trust in Jesus Christ, at one with you and the Holy Spirit. O Lord, hear our prayers...

Response *You Alone Can Rescue* Redman/Myrin

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!**

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.

### Gospel Reading Luke 21:5-19

(N.T. pg. 85)

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup>“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup>“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom

that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls.

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Special Music**      *Mighty To Save*

## Young People's Message

**Reading from the Torah**      Genesis 22:1-14      (O.T. pg. 17)

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>2</sup> He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." <sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup> On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." <sup>6</sup> Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. <sup>7</sup> Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup> Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

<sup>9</sup> When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup> Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. <sup>11</sup> But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And

he said, "Here I am."<sup>12</sup> He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."<sup>13</sup> And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.<sup>14</sup> So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

Sermon "Trust"

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \* *My Lord! What a Morning*

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

#### REFRAIN:

**My Lord! what a morning;  
my Lord! what a morning;  
O my Lord! what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall,  
when the stars begin to fall.**

#### VERSE 1:

**You will hear the trumpet sound  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.**

#### (REFRAIN)

#### VERSE 2:

**You will hear the sinner cry,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.**

#### (REFRAIN)



### **VERSE 3:**

**You will hear the Christian shout,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. (Refrain)**

#### **\* Affirmation of Faith (from A Declaration of Faith)**

**God created human beings with a need for community and with freedom to enter into it by responding to their Maker with grateful obedience and to one another with love and helpfulness. We believe that we have been created to relate to God and each other in freedom and responsibility....**

**Since every human being is made for communion with God and others, we must treat no one with contempt. We are to respect and love all other people and ourselves as well. 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**



## \* 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

## \* *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* (Reprise)

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

### VERSE 1:

My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

### REFRAIN:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

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

## \* Passing of the Peace and Postlude

## WORSHIP NOTES

Thank you to Melissa Dewhurst for reading today.

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**

We are developing a more blended style of worship with new contemporary worship songs and music as well as traditional hymns and pieces. All of our hymns are from the new Presbyterian hymnal *Glory to God* printed for you in the bulletin. We have singers. We have organ music. The bell choir rings. We hear our students. We hear soloists. We hear the band. It's a mix, and we don't 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. Most Sundays, our readings are from that same New Revised Standard Version translation. Exceptions are noted.

### **About Genesis 22:1-14**

Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac is one of the best-known and most beloved stories from the Torah, the book of law of Judaism. Reading through the Old Testament, we learn that God makes use of some pretty despicable characters—even the “father” of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

## **About Luke 21:5-19**

Today's Gospel lesson was likely written after the fall of the temple. Drastic change is coming and Jesus warns them of the high price of discipleship. He cautions about false prophets who prey on gullible people. The good news of the Gospel is the abundance of spiritual resources to cope with hardship and adversity.

## **About the Affirmation of Faith:**

This week's Affirmation of Faith is from a document that is not a part of our constitutional Book of Confessions. The declaration was adopted in 1977 by the Presbyterian Church in the United States. In 1985, the 197th General Assembly of the very new Presbyterian Church (USA) adopted this declaration as a contemporary statement of faith, a reliable aid for Christian study, liturgy, and inspiration—though it was never entered into our polity.

## **Questions To Go**

Do I trust God?

Seriously. Completely?

What is equal sacrifice?



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Celebrate Patrick! Today!**

#### **Cheerful Giving Lunch**

Hunger never takes a day off! Join us for a fabulous Italian feast after church today and to celebrate Patrick's service in our church! Bring your donation of food items to share with families who need our help during this thanksgiving season. All items will be delivered to the Interfaith Food Pantry. Please come and give thanks for Patrick's service and God's grace!!!

### **O Henry Christmas**

An O. Henry Christmas is a charming, heartwarming play that weaves together a number of short stories written by O. Henry. A group of outcasts form their own family in an 1800's railroad yard—the joy of giving and the heartbreak of sacrifice bring the message of Christmas to life. Proceeds benefit Peace Works and the Masaya, Nicaragua Women's Shelter. 4pm Sun Dec 8th—Tickets are \$15 at the door in the Sanctuary. Check the eNews to download the flyer.

### **Community Soup Kitchen**

Join the team! PCM is forming teams to serve at the CSK in Morristown—Sundays from 11:15am to 1:30pm: Dec 8th, Jan 12th, and Feb 9th with more dates to come. We need between 2-5 volunteers. Must be 12 or older and all must wear hats (provided). Carpooling will leave PCM at 10:45 to be at CSK—36 South St. by 11:15. Parking is on the street or at the DeHart Street garage. CSK served more than 77,000 hot meals last year—plus access to community resources, services and educational programs. And even if you can't serve, but you want a PCM hat—we can get you one for \$20. Email [kathleenunderwood@verizon.net](mailto:kathleenunderwood@verizon.net) to sign up or order a hat.

### **Stewardship Thank You**

Thank you for supporting our church! We are off to a strong start with total dollars pacing well ahead of last year. Pledge cards are due now in this PCM season of

intentional transformation guided by our vision - to see lives transformed, families strengthened, and our community renewed through intentional relationship with Jesus Christ. Evidence of that transformation is everywhere. Spaces, staff, programming and our presence in the community have created growth and a strong foundation. Our future is exciting and compelling, but it takes all of us to get there. Your pledge—your engagement ensures we live into the vision.

### **PCM Wants You!**

Come join the worship team! Make a joyful noise with us. Oh yes, you can! No experience necessary—we'll teach you everything. Whether you like to sing, play an instrument, or want to learn how to ring bells, we want you! Come let your music flag fly and join our worship team. Everybody's welcome—no judging allowed! Contact Anna D'Achille, Patrick Allred, or Michael Callahan for more details!

### **RAMP Refugee Help**

RAMP welcomes a new refugee from Afghanistan relocating to Morris County! PCM supports families moving to escape unrest in their home countries through Refugee Assistance Morris Partners (RAMP). There are a variety of ways to volunteer to help them in the relocation process. Contact Gerry Gannon at [mgannon@webtv.net](mailto:mgannon@webtv.net) for more information.

### **Coffee with Scott**

Pastor Scott hangs out at Drip Coffee every Thursday starting at 9am! Come get a shot of caffeine. Let's FIKA, solve world problems, see if you can melt an entire biscotti in a cup of tea—we actually get around to talking about Jesus. Crazy, right?

### **Mid-week Prayers/Communion**

Join us in the Parlor every Wednesday morning at 7:10am for a come-and-go round of prayers and the Lord's Supper. It's a great mid-week touchstone, and you'll be on your way in 15 minutes. No kidding! Commuters, you'll easily make the 7:32. Pastor Scott leads.



## **Serve on Sunday**

All are welcome, all who come in the name of the Lord! Snacks after church—an email has gone out giving everyone the opportunity to sign up through Breeze! Or you can call the church office if you prefer.

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.

## **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 - all kinds! In addition, we are still collecting all those items connected with Thanksgiving.

Pick up a package or two the next time you do your grocery shopping, and leave them in the basket in the sanctuary lobby or in Doris's Care Wagon outside the church office. The IFP clients thank you.

## **Quarters for RAMP**

The tube was full recently, so it has been emptied and we are working on filling it up again. Please continue to save your quarters and look for the tube in the refreshment area each Sunday. RAMP has recently decided to work with the International Rescue Committee and apply with them to receive a family from a war-torn country.

## My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and  
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un -  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the  
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

righ - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but  
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my  
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he  
 him be found, dressed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

*Refrain*

whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all  
 then is all my hope and stay.  
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24-27/ Luke 6:47-49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.



ADORATION

# 641 When in Our Music God Is Glorified



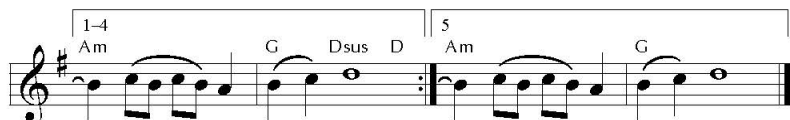
1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied,  
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found  
 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song,  
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night  
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise!



and ad - o - ra - tion leaves no room for pride,  
 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound,  
 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong,  
 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the light?  
 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise!



it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried:  
 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found  
 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue:  
 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:  
 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Written to supply this tune with words suitable for occasions celebrating music, this text explores how human song gives voice to creation, how music can convey new insight, how sung faith has kept the church authentic, how Jesus relied on the psalms, and how sound can be praise.

## 352 My Lord! What a Morning

Refrain

My Lord! what a morn-ing; my Lord! what a morn-ing;

O my Lord! what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to

fall, when the stars be-gin to fall. 1 You will hear the trum-pet  
2 You will hear the sin-ner  
3 You will hear the Chris-tian

sound  
cry, to wake the na-tions un-der ground,  
shout,

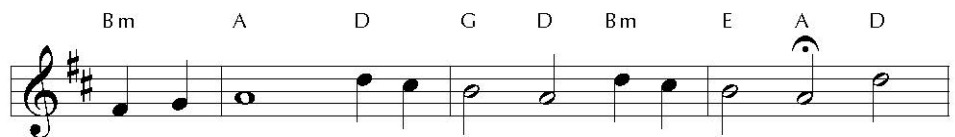
look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

This spiritual reflects on Jesus' saying about the endtimes as recorded in Matthew 24:29–30/ Mark 13:24–26. It belongs to the slower, less common style of spirituals with long, sustained phrases and was among those popularized in concerts by the Fisk Jubilee Singers.

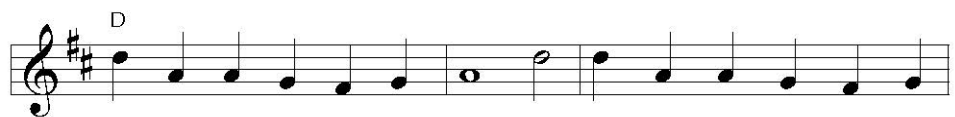
# Doxology



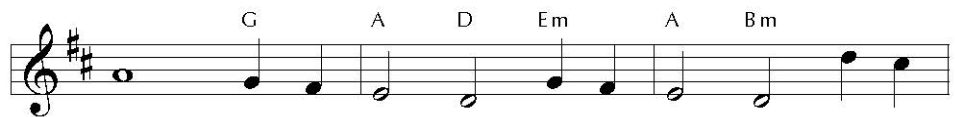
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise Christ, all creat ures



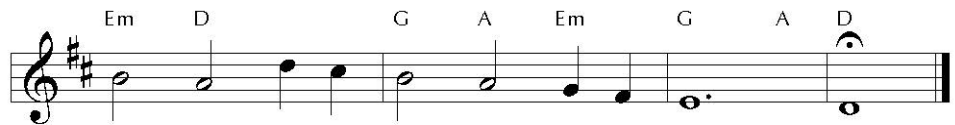
here be- low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



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.*

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## OUR VALUES

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

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### Worship

10:15AM Sunday Service

### Session

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