Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church

November 8 - 8:30 am and 9:45 am

Sanctuary

Worship at MRPC is a tiny fragment in something much bigger: it is part of the worship which is offered to God by Christians every hour of the day and night, all around the world.

Prelude *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Community Life

PRAISING THE CREATOR

*Call to Worship I Peter 2:9

Leader: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

All: Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who creates us.

Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us.

To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymns of Praise

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

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I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
He formed the creatures with his word and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky.

There's not a plant or flower below but makes thy glories known,
And clouds arise and tempests blow by order from thy throne;
While all that borrows life from thee is ever in your care,
And everywhere that man can be, thou, God, art present there.

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Old Testament Reading (8:30) Exodus 33:12-23

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Sacrament of Baptism (9:45)

Beau Manning Strawderman,
son of Jake and Kathleen Strawderman
baptized by TE Andy Lewis, assisted by TE Tim Pitzer

Benjamin Brown Owings, Jr., son of Ben and Ellison Owings
Peyton Elizabeth Owings, daughter of Ben and Ellison Owings
baptized by TE Andy Lewis, assisted by RE Myles Elliott

LAMENTING THE FALL

Confession of Sin — I John 1:5-7

Leader: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you,
All: that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Leader: If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.
All: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Moment of Silent Confession

CHERISHING REDEMPTION

Words of Grace and Peace — Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Choral Meditation *What a Savior, What a Friend*

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners, Jesus, Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me—He my Savior makes me whole.

Jesus, what a Strength in weakness, let me hide myself in Him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my victory wins.

Hallelujah, what a Savior, hallelujah, what a Friend,
Hallelujah, what a Friend.

Jesus, what a help in sorrow while the billows o'er me roll;
Even when my heart is breaking, He, my Comfort, helps my soul.

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*Hymn of Assurance

Amazing grace! —how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

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Ministry Update - Foster and Adopt Ministry

Pastoral Prayer

LONGING FOR RESTORATION

Scripture Reading Acts 9:1–22

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon — Andy Lewis

A Homeless Man Found By Grace

*Hymn of Response

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will;
And if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross;
And I beheld God's love displayed, you suffered in my place;
You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ, Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.
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Now, Lord, I would be yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow your commands could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
And let my song forever be, "My only boast is You."

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*Benediction

*Postlude

Assisting in Worship:

Preacher: Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor
Liturgist: Dave Preston, Shepherding Pastor