

WORSHIPING THE GOD OF GRACE

September 9, 2018 - 10:30 AM

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16 Year Anniversary Celebration

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP *Shall We Gather At The River*

Please take this time to quietly meditate on the following Scripture passage as you prepare your heart to worship the Lord.

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (ESV)

INTROIT

Sweet Joy

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

From the Te Deum (Latin for "You are God")

As God's Word calls us to worship, let's shout these words to one another recognizing that our worship is a response to God's gracious call.

Leader: We praise You, O God, we acknowledge You to be the Lord.

People: **All the earth does worship You, the Father everlasting.**

Leader: To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein; to You Cherubim and Seraphim continually cry, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Sabaoth: Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory."

People: **The glorious company of the Apostles praises You. The fellowship of the Prophets praises You! The noble army of Martyrs praises You. The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You, the Father of an infinite Majesty; Your adorable, true and only Son; also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.**

Leader: You are the King of Glory, O Christ; You are the everlasting Son of the Father. When You took upon Yourself to deliver man, You did humble Yourself to be born of a virgin. When You had overcome the sharpness of death, You did open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

People: **You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that You shall come to be our Judge. We therefore pray You help Your servants whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting.**

Leader: O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your heritage. Govern them, and lift them up forever.

ALL: **Day by day we magnify You, and we worship Your Name forever, world without end.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE #2** (stanza 1-2, 5-6) *O Worship The King*

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Elder Jeff Cunningham

***WORSHIP IN SONG**

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
How Great Is Our God*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

After the public confession below, you are encouraged to confess your sins silently to God.

O Lord, You alone know how often we have offended You and hurt the lives of others. Forgive us, O Lord, for every unkind thought, every untrue word, every wrong act. Forgive us, for we have been selfish, and have not thought of the needs of others. Forgive us for our ingratitude, our neglect of prayer, our carelessness in the use of money, our forgetfulness of our sacred vows, the turning of our eyes away from the issues of the life of the unborn, and our neglect of those who are suffering the effects of old age. O God, have mercy upon us. Create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us.

**For those who are able, please stand.*

COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

Psalm 32:5 (ESV)

*I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.*

TESTIMONY OF GOD'S GRACE

Michelle Dowdell

SONG OF RESPONSE

Living Waters

*GREETING OF PEACE

Jude 1:2 (ESV)

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you, offering them the right hand of fellowship and the peace which is only found in Christ.

May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Ephesians 6:18 (ESV)

*[Pray] at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.
To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.*

WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshiping with you. Thank you!
The offering is a vital part of our response to God and God's Word. It helps us connect our adoration for God with our life of discipleship.

*And God is able to make all grace abound to you,
so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

2 Corinthians 9:8 (ESV)

OFFERTORY

People Of God

By Jon Nicholas and Nick Robertson

*SCRIPTURE READING (page 1013 in pew Bible)

James 5:16b-19

God's Word, the Bible, is our final, absolute authority, the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

SERMON

"Great, Powerful Prayer"

Rev. David Stain

Pastor, Spring Hills Presbyterian Church

*CLOSING HYMN #98

Now Thank We All Our God

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

Arr. by Crystal Davis Clay

Spring Hills Presbyterian Church is committed to:

CHANGED HEARTS through the transforming power of the Gospel of Grace,

CHANGED LIVES through Biblical preaching, teaching, fellowship and discipleship, and a

CHANGED COMMUNITY, where the community is so transformed by the power of the Gospel that it becomes predominately Christian and committed to the worship and service of our Triune God.