# Worshiping God, Our Righteous Judge!

**PRELUDE** Prelude on "God of Grace and God of Glory" Paul Manz
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation by Dennis Bergin
Dennis Bergin, organ

#### WELCOME

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

**WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP** The Praise of Thy Wonders, Lord Sanctuary Choir; Carrie Smith, piano; Matt Brantley, bass; Greg Wagener, drums; Nathanael Zanders, timpani

The praises of thy wonders, Lord, the heavens shall express; And in the congregation of saints thy faithfulness.

Thou hast an arm that's full of pow'r, thy hand is great in might; And Thy right hand exceedingly exalted is in height.

Justice and judgment of thy throne are made the dwelling place; Mercy, accompanied with truth, shall go before thy face, shall go before thy face.

## \*God Calls Us to Worship Psalm 9:1-8

Reverend David Barnes, Associate Pastor

Pastor: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your

wonderful deeds.

People: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name,

O Most High.

Pastor: When my enemies turn back, they stumble and perish before your presence.

People: For you have maintained my just cause; you have sat on the throne,

giving righteous judgment.

Pastor: You have rebuked the nations; you have made the wicked perish;

People: You have blotted out their name forever and ever.

Pastor: The enemy came to an end in everlasting ruins; their cities you rooted out;

the very memory of them has perished.

**People:** But the LORD sits enthroned forever; Pastor: He has established his throne for justice,

People: And he judges the world with righteousness; he judges the peoples with

uprightness.

\*Praise and Exalt Him, For He Is Almighty! No. 62 Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise Kyrstan Brantley and Caroline Engel

#### \*WE INVOKE HIS PRESENCE

## **GOD EXPOSES OUR NEED** Deuteronomy 6:10-15

Brett Frey, Men's Discipleship Coordinator

And when the Lord your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, then take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. It is the Lord your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you— for the Lord your God in your midst is a jealous God—lest the anger of the Lord your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth.

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN

## CHRIST PROVIDES FOR OUR NEED 1 John 2:1-3

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

#### \*FOR GOD THE JUST IS SATISFIED!

Bill Myers, Billy Stulac, guitar; Rod Cunningham, keyboard

## Before the Throne of God Above



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\* GOD REVEALS WHO HE IS! Westminster Confession of Faith 2:1

Pastor: Christian, what do you believe?

People: There is but one only, living, and true God, who is infinite in being and

perfection, a most pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts, or passions; immutable, immense, eternal, incomprehensible, almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, most absolute; working all things according to the counsel of His own immutable and most righteous will, for His own glory; most loving, gracious, merciful, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin; the rewarder of them that diligently seek Him; and withal, most just, and terrible in His judgments, hating all sin, and who will by no means clear

the guilty.

## \*Who Can Question Any of His Ways?!



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## WE INVOKE HIS HELP Psalm 7:17

Nathan Reddick, Elder

I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

## GOD CALLS US TO STEWARDSHIP Psalm 112:1, 9

Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments! He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor.

#### WE GIVE OUR GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

**WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah: A Hymn Concertato Congregation and Sanctuary Choir

Congregation and Choir:

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand. Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven, Feed me till I want no more; Feed me till I want no more.

## Choir Only:

Laudate Dominum
Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield;
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

## Congregation and Choir:

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee; I will ever give to Thee.

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GOD PROCLAIMS HIS WORD Brett Frey, Men's Discipleship Coordinator

SERMON SERIES "Micah"

**SCRIPTURE TEXT** Micah 6:1-5 | page 779 in the pew Bible

**SERMON TITLE** God's Vindication

\*Thou Changest Not! No. 32 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

\*BENEDICTION

\*Postlude Reprise: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

## SERMON NOTES

## God's Vindication

Brett Frey, Men's Discipleship Coordinator Micah 6:1-5 | page 779 in the pew Bible

How does God show that He is our righteous judge?

1. He exposes our forgetfulness

2. He establishes His faithfulness

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation please rise