

Worshiping God, Who Pronounces Judgment!

PRELUDE *Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne in C Major* Dietrich Buxtehude
Dennis Bergin, organ

WELCOME

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP *Jehovah Reigns; Let Earth Be Glad*
Kyrstan Brantley, Caroline Engel, vocal; Carrie Smith, piano; Matt Brantley, bass;
Greg Wagener, drums; Nathanael Zanders, timpani

Jehovah reigns; let earth be glad, and all the isles their joy make known;
With clouds and darkness he is clad, on truth and justice rests his throne.

The heav'ns his righteousness proclaim, through earth his glory shines abroad;
From idol worship turn with shame and bow before the living God.

Your church rejoices to behold your judgments in the earth, O Lord;
Your glory to the world unfold, supreme o'er all you are adored.

***GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP** Psalm 105:1-8

Reverend David Barnes, Associate Pastor

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

People: Make known his deeds among the peoples!

Pastor: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

**People: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the
LORD rejoice!**

Pastor: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

**People: Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the
judgments he uttered, O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of
Jacob, his chosen ones!**

Pastor: He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

**People: He remembers his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a
thousand generations.**

***WE SING THE PRAISES OF YOUR NAME!**

O Lord Most High, with All My Heart

1. O Lord Most High, with all my heart your won-drous works I
2. The Lord, the ev - er - last - ing King, is seat - ed on his
3. Je - ho - vah will a ref - uge prove, a ref - uge strong for
4. All they, O Lord, that know your name their con - fi - dence in
5. Sing prais - es to the Lord Most High, to him who does in

will pro - claim; I will be glad and
judge - ment throne; the righ - teous Judge, of
all op - pressed, a safe re - treat, where
you will place, for you have ne'er for -
Zi - on dwell; de - clare his might - y

give you thanks and sing the prais - es of your name.
all the world will make his per - fect jus - tice known.
wea - ry souls in trou - bled times may sure - ly rest.
sak - en them who ear - nest - ly have sought your face.
deeds a - broad, his deeds a - mong the na - tions tell.

Words: Psalm 9:1,2,7-11; Music: CANONBURY L.M.

***WE INVOKE HIS PRESENCE**

GOD EXPOSES OUR NEED Psalm 32:1-4

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

CHRIST PROVIDES FOR OUR NEED Psalm 32:5-6a

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. Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

***I CONFESS THY JUDGMENT JUST!**

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

God Be Merciful to Me



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|----------|---------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1. God, | be | mer - ci - ful | to | me, | _____ | On thy grace | I |
| 2. My | trans - | gres-sions | I | con - | fess, | Grief and guilt | my |
| 3. I | am | e - vil, | born | in | sin; | Thou de - | sir - est |
| 4. Bro - | ken, | hum-bled | to | the | dust | By thy wrath | and |
| 5. Gra - | cious | God, my | heart | re - | new, | Make my spi - | rit |
| 6. Sin - | ners | then shall | learn | from | me, | And re - | turn O |



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|--------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| rest my | plea; | Plen - | teous | in | com - | pas-sion | thou, | _____ |
| soul op - | press; | I | have | sinned | a - | gainst thy | grace | _____ |
| truth with - | in. | Thou | a - | lone | my | Sav-iour | art, | _____ |
| judge-ment | just, | Let | my | con - | trite | heart re - | joice | _____ |
| right and | true | Cast | me | not | a - | way from | thee, | _____ |
| God to | Thee | Sa - | vior | all | my | guilt re - | move, | _____ |



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|-------------|------------|--------|----------|---------|-----------|-------------|
| Blot out my | trans - | gres - | sions | now; | Wash me, | Make me |
| And pro - | voked thee | to thy | face; | I con - | fess thy | |
| Teach thy | wis - | dom | to my | heart; | Make me | pure, thy |
| And in | glad - | ness | hear thy | voice; | From my | sins O |
| Let thy | Spi - | rit | dwell in | me; | Thy sal - | va - tion's |
| And my | tongue | shall | sing Thy | love | Touch my | si - lent |



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|-------------|-------|--------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| pure with - | in, | Cleanse, O | cleanse me | from my | sin. |
| judge-ment | just, | Speech-less, | I thy | mer - cy | trust. |
| grace be - | stow, | Wash me | whit - | er than the | snow. |
| hide thy | face, | Blot them | out | in bound-less | grace. |
| joy im - | part, | Stead - | fast make | my will - | ing heart. |
| lips O | Lord, | And my | mouth | shall praise | ac - cord. |

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***GOD REVEALS, ALTHOUGH HIS PEOPLE BROKE COVENANT, HE PROMISES TO KEEP IT!**

Leviticus 26:14-42; 45

Pastor: If you will not listen to me and will not do all these commandments, if you spurn my statutes, and if your soul abhors my rules, so that you will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant, then I will do this to you: I will visit you with panic, with wasting disease and fever that consume the eyes and make the heart ache. And you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it. I will set my face against you, and you shall be struck down before your enemies. Those who hate you shall rule over you, and you shall flee when none pursues you. And if in spite of this you will not listen to me, then I will discipline you again sevenfold for your sins, and I will break the pride of your power, and I will make your heavens like iron and your earth like bronze. And your strength shall be spent in vain, for your land shall not yield its increase, and the trees of the land shall not yield their fruit. “Then if you walk contrary to me and will not listen to me, I will continue striking you, sevenfold for your sins. And I will let loose the wild beasts against you, which shall bereave you of your children and destroy your livestock and make you few in number, so that your roads shall be deserted. “And if by this discipline you are not turned to me but walk contrary to me, then I also will walk contrary to you, and I myself will strike you sevenfold for your sins. And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall execute vengeance for the covenant. And if you gather within your cities, I will send pestilence among you, and you shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. When I break your supply of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in a single oven and shall dole out your bread again by weight, and you shall eat and not be satisfied. “But if in spite of this you will not listen to me, but walk contrary to me, then I will walk contrary to you in fury, and I myself will discipline you sevenfold for your sins. You shall eat the flesh of your sons, and you shall eat the flesh of your daughters. And I will destroy your high places and cut down your incense altars and cast your dead bodies upon the dead bodies of your idols, and my soul will abhor you. And I will lay your cities waste and will make your sanctuaries desolate, and I will not smell your pleasing aromas. And I myself will devastate the land, so that your enemies who settle in it shall be appalled at it. And I will scatter you among the nations, and I will unsheathe the sword after you, and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. “Then the land shall enjoy its Sabbaths as long as it lies desolate, while you are in your enemies’ land; then the land shall rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, the rest that it did not have on your Sabbaths when you were dwelling in it. And as for those

of you who are left, I will send faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies. The sound of a driven leaf shall put them to flight, and they shall flee as one flees from the sword, and they shall fall when none pursues. They shall stumble over one another, as if to escape a sword, though none pursues. And you shall have no power to stand before your enemies. And you shall perish among the nations, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up. And those of you who are left shall rot away in your enemies' lands because of their iniquity, and also because of the iniquities of their fathers they shall rot away like them.

People: But if they confess their iniquity and the iniquity of their fathers in their treachery that they committed against me, and also in walking contrary to me, so that I walked contrary to them and brought them into the land of their enemies—if then their uncircumcised heart is humbled and they make amends for their iniquity, then I will remember my covenant with Jacob, and I will remember my covenant with Isaac and my covenant with Abraham, and I will remember the land...I will for their sake remember the covenant with their forefathers, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

***FOR YOUR COVENANT IS SURE!**

Every Promise



1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the set - ting of the sun, I will
 (2. When I) stum - ble and I sin, con - dem - na - tion press - ing in, I will
 (3. When I'm) faced with an - guished choice, I will lis - ten for Your voice, and I'll
 (4. Hope that) lifts me from de - spair; Love that casts out ev - 'ry fear, as I



stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Words of pow - er, strong to
 stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. You are faith - ful to for -
 stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Through this dark and trou - bled
 stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word. Not for - sak - en, not a -



save, that will nev - er pass a - way; I will stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your
 - give, that in free - dom I might live. So I stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your
 land, You will guide me with Your hand, as I stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your
 - lone, for the Com - fort - er has come; And I stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your



word. For Your cov - e - nant is sure, and on this I am se -
 word. Guilt to in - no - cence re - stored; You re - mem - ber sins no
 word. And You've prom - ised to com - plete ev - 'ry work be - gun in
 word. Grace suf - fi - cient, grace for me; Grace for all who will be -



-cure: I can stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise from Your word.
 more. So I'll stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word.
 me. So I'll stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word.
 -lieve. We will stand on ev - 'ry prom - ise of Your word.

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WE INVOKE HIS HELP Psalm 146:5-7

Greg Wagener, Elder

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

GOD CALLS US TO STEWARDSHIP 1 Timothy 6:18-19

They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

WE GIVE OUR GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD *By His Wounds*

Middle School/High School Choir; Peter Lilley, guitar

Chorus: He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our sins.
The punishment that brought us peace was upon Him.
And by His wounds, by His wounds we are healed. (*Chorus*)

We are healed by Your sacrifice, in the life that You gave.
We are healed for You paid the price, by Your grace we are saved.
We are saved. (*Chorus*)

We are healed by Your sacrifice, in the life that You gave.
We are healed for You paid the price, by Your grace we are saved.
We are saved. (*Chorus*)

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

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Children's Church -Pre-K, Kindergarten & 1st Grade Children & Teachers please come forward **AFTER** the Offertory. **Meets in Room 207.**

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| GOD PROCLAIMS HIS WORD | Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor |
| SERMON SERIES | “Micah” |
| SCRIPTURE TEXT | Micah 6:9-16 page 780 in the pew Bible |
| SERMON TITLE | <i>Pronouncing Judgment</i> |

***THE LORD WILL JUDGE IN RIGHTEOUSNESS!**

O Lord, Thou Judge of All the Earth

1. O Lord, thou Judge of all the earth, to whom all ven-geance doth be -
 2. The Lord will judge in righ - teous - ness, from him all truth and knowl - edge
 3. That man is blest whom thou, O Lord, with chast' ning hand dost teach thy
 4. Un - less the Lord had been my help, my life had quick - ly passed a -

long, a - rise and show thy glo - ry
 flow; the fool - ish thoughts of wick - ed
 will, for in the day when sin - ners
 way; but when my foot had al - most

forth, re - quite the proud, con - demn the wrong.
 men, how vain they are the Lord doth know.
 fall, that man in peace a - bid - eth still.
 slipped, O Lord, thy mer cy was my stay.

Words: Psalm 1-5,8-13,17,18 Music: DUKE STREET

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Reprise: O Lord, Thou Judge of All the Earth*

Pronouncing Judgment

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Micah 6:9-16 | page 780 in the pew Bible

How does the LORD pronounce judgment on Judah?

1. He describes their perfidy
2. He decrees their punishment

*Congregation please rise

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