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First Presbyterian Church



LORD'S DAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025 6:00 P.M.

1324 Marion Street, Columbia, SC

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

EPHESIANS 2:19, ESV

(+ Congregation, please stand if able.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CALL TO WORSHIP

+ **HYMN** Your Words Are Wonderful Nathan Stiff, David Zimmer, & Ben Shive

Your words are wonderful, unfolding like the dawn A wellspring and the rock we rest upon We trust Your promises that keep our hope alive They steady us throughout life's weary climb.

Where else can we go? Where else can we go? You have the words of life, the words of life

Come write Your holy truth upon our longing hearts And strengthen us to shine against the dark Lord, guard us from the lies the enemy will speak No guilt remains for those You have redeemed

Make Your glory known Make Your glory known Through all Your words of life, Your words of life

Give us ears to hear and eyes to see Help us in our doubt and unbelief. Give us ears to hear and eyes to see Help us in our doubt and unbelief.

(Based on Psalm 119)

+ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

+ **HYMN** All I Have is Christ

Jordan Kauflin

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!

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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Children may leave for Club and Cherub Choir at this time.

EVENING PRAYER

Mr. Walt Cartin

PRESENTATION OF EVENING OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY All Praise to Him Matt Merker & Bob Kauflin

All praise to Him, the God of light, Who formed the mountains by His might. All praise to Him Who names the stars, That sing His fame in skies afar. All praise to Him Who reigns in love, Who guides the galaxies above, Yet bends to hear our every prayer, With sovereign pow'r and tender care.

All praise to Him Whose love is seen In Christ, the Son, the servant King, Who left behind His glorious throne To pay the ransom for His own. All praise to Him Who humbly came To bear our sorrow, sin, and shame. Who lived to die, Who died to rise, The all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts
The love of God within our hearts.
The Spirit of all truth and peace,
The fount of joy and holiness.
To Father, Son, and Spirit now
Our souls we lift, our wills we bow.
To You, the triune God, we raise
With loving hearts our song of praise.

(Based on a hymn by Horatius Bonar, c. 1859)

+ DOXOLOGY

TALLIS' CANON

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 87

(Pew Bible page 494, Children's Bible page 634)

- ¹ On the holy mount stands the city he founded;
- ² the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob.
- ³ Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God. Selah
- ⁴Among those who know me I mention Rahab and Babylon; behold, Philistia and Tyre, with Cush—
 "This one was born there," they say.
- ⁵ And of Zion it shall be said, "This one and that one were born in her"; for the Most High himself will establish her.
- ⁶ The LORD records as he registers the peoples, "This one was born there." Selah
- ⁷ Singers and dancers alike say, "All my springs are in you."

SERMON

Dr. Neil C. Stewart

"Illegal Aliens No More"

PRAYER

+ **HYMN** We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Sandra McCracken & Joshua Moore

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire He is the Lord our God We are not consumed, by the flood Upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night, before the dawn My soul, be not afraid For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the Faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together, bring shalom

+ BENEDICTION

+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Peace (Benediction)

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father, And the grace of Christ the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit Keep our hearts and minds within his love. And to him be praise for his glorious reign, From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n; We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ eternal, the King of kings.

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