# WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

January 4, 2026

#### Reflection

Focus on finding hope and change not in grand resolutions, but in God's "little-moment grace" found in daily life, emphasizing that true transformation happens through 10,000 small choices to follow Christ, relying on his moment-by-moment rescue, and embracing the promise of eternal life to live freely and love others now, remembering God's mercy is new every morning.

-Paul Tripp

#### **Prelude**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Call to Worship

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

#### \*Invocation

# \*Song of Praise

### All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ

CHORUS: All glory be to Christ our King, all glory be to Christ His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ

His will be done his kingdom come, on earth as is above
Who is himself our daily bread, praise him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy, the thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ (CHORUS)

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the truth The lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new Behold our God shall live with us, and be our steadfast light And we shall e'er his people be, all glory be to Christ (CHORUS)

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Hymn #32

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee:
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

REFRAIN: "Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!"

Morning by morning new mercies I see:

All I have needed thy hand hath provided—

"Great is thy faithfulness," Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

# **Prayer of Confession**

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace Revelation 21:5-6
He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.

### \*Song of Assurance

# **All Things New Again**

For behold he will create, a new heavens and new earth
He will drive away our sorrow and our pain
And this momentary grief though heavy as it seems
Will be crushed by glory's great eternal weight

CHORUS 1: He will make all things new again
He will keep all his promises
He will love all who come to him
He will make all things new again

For behold the sun will rise, over wastelands dead and dry
In its place shall spring a river full of life
Every wrong will be undone
Every thirsty soul shall come
And drink from living water without price

For behold the holy mountain
Where the wolf and lamb shall graze
Where we lay our heads and finally find our home
Where the songs we sang in shadows
Will be sung to God's own face
Where his smile will be the thing we treasure most
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### **Receiving New Members**

# **Congregational Prayer**

# **Tithes and Offerings**

\*You may also give at clemsonpres.org/give \*K5-1<sup>st</sup> Grade are invited to Engage.

# Reading of Scripture

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#### Sermon

Behold-Justice!

# \*Song of Response

# Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone. What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.

Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

CHORUS: O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.

Where is his grace and goodness known?

In our great redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?

Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh

Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? (CHORUS)

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"

And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord,

Then sin and death will be destroyed,

And we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is ours forevermore.

(CHORUS 2x)

TAG: Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death!

# \*Benediction

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# January startup | clemsonpres.org/January

As regular programming begins to start up, we'd love for you to join us! There are opportunities to serve, learn, and connect throughout the week!

January 6: Community Group Leader Training

January 11: Middle School Youth Group, High School Youth Group

January 14: Midweek, Youth Dgroups, Prayer Meeting, Choir

January 16: Men's Friday Bible Study

January 21: Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study

January 28: Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study

January 29: Women's Thursday Evening Bible Study

February 2: Welcome Lunch

February 7-8: Membership Class

# Bible Reading Plan

We know many of you enjoyed the churchwide reading plan last semester! If you'd like to continue using a reading plan, there is one in the CPC app. Click "Bible" on the bottom menu, then "plan".

**Mercy Ministry** has been working to refocus their work over the past year and is so excited to continue leading us in caring for those who are in need through relief, rehabilitation, and reconciliation. Learn more about what the team does and how to pray or get involved at clemsonpres.org/mercy.

**Senior Pastor:** Bryan Counts

Associate Pastor of Students & Families: Matthew Icard Associate Pastor of Adult Discipleship: Reid Jones

**Elders:** Brinck Bowers, Bill Caldwell, Jimmy Dixon, Mark Dodd, Bill Fisk, Will Huss, Kevin Miles, David Myers, Chris Peters, Conrad Shuler, Barry Swiger

**Deacons:** Tommy Barron, John Thomas Campbell, David Gambrell, David Haile, Zach Miller, Fred Sons, Paul Watters

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# O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Behold-Justice! Isaiah 42:1-4