# WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

November 2, 2025

#### Reflection

You and I have need of the strongest spell that can be found to wake us from the evil enchantment of worldliness. —C. S. Lewis

#### Prelude

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

# \*Call to Worship

Psalm 23:1-3

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

## \*Invocation

# \*Song of Praise

# King of Love

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The King of Love my Shepherd is whose goodness faileth never
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever

And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth And where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth

CHORUS: Never failing, Ruler of my heart, everlasting, Lover of my soul
On the mountain high or in the valley low
The King of Love my Shepherd is, the King of Love my Shepherd is

Lost and foolish off I strayed, but yet in love He sought me And on His shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me

In death's dark veil I fear no ill with Thee dear Lord beside me Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me

> BRIDGE: Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise, Within Your house forever Within Your house forever

#### **Confession of Sin**

Leader: Merciful God, for the things we have done that we regret, **All: forgive us:** 

Leader: for the things we have failed to do that we regret,

All: forgive us;

Leader: for all the times we have acted without love,

All: forgive us:

Leader: for all the times we have reacted without thought,

All: forgive us;

Leader: for all the times we have withdrawn care,

All: forgive us;

Leader: for all the times we have failed to forgive,

## All: forgive us.

Leader: For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid, for unfinished tasks and unfulfilled hopes,

All: God of all time, forgive us and help us to lay down our burden of regret. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

# Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace Ephesians 2:12-13

Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

# \*Hymn of Assurance

Jesus What a Friend for Sinners, Hymn 498

J. Wilbur Chapman, 1910; Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1855

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole.

REFRAIN: Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him.

Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,

He, my Strength, my victory wins.

Jesus! what a Help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll, Even when my heart is breaking, he, my Comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find. He has granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine.

# **Congregational Prayer**

#### Tithes and Offerinas

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

# The Father Is Calling

Kristi Hill, Greg Hill, Andrew Friedrichs

The Father is calling with mercy to save
His Spirit is drawing you into his gaze
And the shame that you bear from the stain of your sin
Is not turning his head, it's calling you in.
It's his kindness that leads us, to bow at his throne
His grace and forgiveness are bringing us home
Whatever you've done and wherever you've been
The love of the Father is calling you in

CHORUS: The Father is calling you in to feast at the table
The table of grace, he's calling, he's calling you in
You stand in the light of his face
So lift up your hands in this place

No longer forsaken, released from our fear We take this invitation, to all who will hear Proclaiming the truth , that there's freedom from sin And the love of the Father that's calling them in (CHORUS)

BRIDGE 2x: He'll bless you and keep you, he'll make his face shine Be gracious unto you, his countenance bright He'll bless you and keep you, he'll make his face shine upon you

And He will give you peace (CHORUS)

ENDING: Church you stand in the light of his face Take your seat at the table of grace.

# **Reading of Scripture**

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Sermon

Real Change

Ordination and Installation

Fred Sons

Vows, Pronouncement, & Exhortation

\*Song of Response

## Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Savior he will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
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Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

#### \*Benediction

# Communion

Next week we'll celebrate the Lord's Supper during the worship service.

Women's Christmas Gathering | December 4 | 7pm | Sanctuary Come celebrate the Christmas season with the women of CPC! We'll have dessert ready for you before we sing, pray, and hear God's word. The Christmas Gathering is a great place to invite your friends to pause and celebrate Christmas at the beginning of the season. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at clemsonpres.org/gathering or in the CPC app. Have questions? Stop at the table in the lobby.

# Get Connected | clemsonpres.org/ministrymm

Our weekly programming is up and running, but you're welcome to join in at any time. There are opportunities for everyone to find a place from Bible studies to small groups to serving. Visit the website to explore ways to be part of the church.

# MTW Month of Prayer | mtw.org/30-days-of-prayer

In November, MTW (Mission to the World), our denomination's missions branch, hosts a month of prayer. Join others in our denomination to pray for worldwide missions with daily prayer prompts.

Elders: Bryan Counts, Matthew Icard, Reid Jones, 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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# Living Truth

Real Change
1Timothy 4:1-10