WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

August 24, 2025

Reflection

We can't really tell how crooked our thinking is until we line it up with the straight edge of scripture.

—Elisabeth Elliot

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-3

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

All: Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

*Invocation

*Songs of Praise

What a Beautiful Name/Agnus Dei

Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood
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You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King, what a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

We turned away from God rebellious So Jesus You brought mercy down My sin was great Your love was greater, what could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King, what a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave, the heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory, for You are raised to life again
You have no rival, you have no equal
Now and forever God You reign, Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King, what a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You have no rival, you have no equal Now and forever God You reign, Yours is the kingdom Yours is the alory, Yours is the Name above all names

> Holy, holy, are You, Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb You are holy, holy Are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King, what a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this,

What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus (3x)

Confession of Sin

Leader: Father, we are sorry for the many times we have left you and chosen to satisfy our own selfish desires. For the times we have hurt the members of our families by refusing to do our share of the family tasks.

All: Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Leader: For the times we were unkind and impatient with those who needed our time and concern.

All: Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Leader: For the times we were too weak to stand up for what was right and allowed others to suffer because of our cowardice.

All: Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Leader: For the times we refused to forgive others.

All: Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace Hebrews 6:17-20

So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

*Song of Assurance

Blessed Assurance (All My Attempts to Be Satisfied)

Jaywan Maxwell, Michael Farren, Nathan Singh, & Rhyan Shirley
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All my attempts to be satisfied, were vain and empty Until the moment You rescued me, and Your love filled me

PRE-CHORUS: My soul sings, now my soul sings

CHORUS: What blessed assurance, I've found in You, I've found in You I won't be shaken I will not be moved, how steadfast Your strong hand Is keeping me, is keeping me, I won't be shaken. I will not be moved O blessed assurance

No other love that I've ever known, compares to You God No other love that I've ever found, has done what You've done

PRE-CHORUS AND CHORUS

BRIDGE: Ever my anchor, ever my strength
Ever my portion and all I need
Ever my healing, ever my hope
Ever the truth that leads me home
That leads me home (CHORUS 2x)

Sacrament of Baptism

Boone Corbett Miles

Congregational Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Choir

*You may also give at clemsonpres.org/give *K5-1st Grade are dismissed to Engage.

How Firm a Foundation

Arr. by Dan Forrest

Reading of Scripture

1 Timothy 1:1-11

Sermon

The Aim of All We Do

*Hymn of Response

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place, Hymn #468 Lidie H. Edmunds, 1891; Alt. 1990; André Grétry, 1741-1831; Arr. by William J. Kirkpatrick, 1891

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed; I trust the ever-living One; His wounds for me shall plead.

REFRAIN: I need no other argument, I need no other plea, It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt; A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out. [Refrain]

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God, Salvation by my Savior's name, salvation thro' his blood. [Refrain]

My Great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save; For me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave. [Refrain]

*Benediction

Telling a Better Story: The Beauty of Biblical Sexuality | October 3-5 clemsonpres.org/conference

Join us for a free theology conference on Biblical Sexuality with Rev. Robert Cunningham. Dive into thoughtful conversations on identity, sexuality, and marriage, discovering what Scripture says and how to live out your faith with confidence and compassion, knowing the Bible tells a better story. Learn more about the conference and Robert, as well as sign up at the link above.

Park Far, Sit Close: We're so excited to have college students and families back from summer travels. If you're able, could you park farther from the building, sit towards the front of the Sanctuary, and closer to one another? Be sure to look for new faces and welcome them to Clemson Pres!

College Lunch | Aug 24 after service | Fellowship Hall

College students are invited to lunch today after the service. We'd love to welcome you to a new semester and get to know you if you're new. The lunch is free and you're welcome to bring your roommate or friends.

Young Professional Community Group | clemsonpres.org/groups

Community Group signups have begun! One of our groups is for young professionals to gather and connect. They will meet the first three Thursdays of the month, starting September 4 at 7pm at Hannah and Jacob Mathis's home. This group also meets for regular social gatherings. Sign up for the Young Professionals email list on our website or contact Reid Jones (reid.jones@clemsonpres.org) for more information.

Bible Readina Plan

This fall, as the church is focusing on our value of *Truth*, we are offering a 16-week Bible Reading Plan to help us learn together more of the overarching story of scripture. The plan starts on September 1 and includes 5 days of readings each week. Stop at the Resource Table in the lobby to pick up a paper copy this week and next. If you prefer a digital copy, it will also be available in the church app starting September 1 (tap "Bible" in the bottom green menu, tap "plan" on the bottom white menu)

CPC Kids' MidWeek | Wednesdays | 6:30pm | drop off in Courtyard Kids K5-5th grade are invited to be part of our weekly kids' program, MidWeek. Kids eat dinner together, play games, and sing before splitting up into grade groups for a lesson. Learn more at clemsonpres.org/kids.

Women's Bible Studies | clemsonpres.org/women

The Women are studying Isaiah this semester and would love for you to join them! Using large group teaching and small group discussion, this study gives you a place to connect with God's Word and other women. Pick a study that works for your schedule:

Wednesday - 9:15am, Fellowship Hall Wednesday - 6:30pm, Library Thursday - 6:30pm, Seneca (email womensministry@clemsonpres.org for the address)

1 TIMOTHY 1 Timothy 1:1-11 The Aim of All We Do

Elders: Bryan Counts, Matthew Icard, Reid Jones, Brinck Bowers, Doug Bull, Bill Caldwell, Jimmy Dixon, Mark Dodd, Bill Fisk, Will Huss, Kevin Miles, David Myers, Chris Peters, Conrad Shuler, Barry Swiger, Doug Wilson, Rob Vaughn

Deacons: Tommy Barron, John Thomas Campbell, Ensley Feemster, David Gambrell, David Haile, Bill Harley, Allen Lohmann, Zach Miller, David Thorsland, Joel Ward, Paul Watters

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