



# Hope

Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, October 4, 2020

“In this connection I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. At midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, that shone around me and those who journeyed with me. And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ And I said, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ And the Lord said, ‘I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’ “Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance. For this reason the Jews seized me in the temple and tried to kill me. To this day I have had the help that comes from God, and so I stand here testifying both to small and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would come to pass: that the Christ must suffer and that, by being the first to rise from the dead, he would proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles.” And as he was saying these things in his defense, Festus said with a loud voice, “Paul, you are out of your mind; your great learning is driving you out of your mind.” But Paul said, “I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but I am speaking true and rational words. For the king knows about these things, and to him I speak boldly. For I am persuaded that none of these things has escaped his notice, for this has not been done in a corner. King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know that you believe.” And Agrippa said to Paul, “In a short time would you persuade me to be a Christian?” And Paul said, “Whether short or long, I would to God that not only you but also all who hear me this day might become such as I am—except for these chains.”

(Acts 26:12–29)

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# Order for Engaging with God in Worship

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Introit

#### \*Call to Worship: Psalm 96

Oh sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth!  
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.

**Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!  
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;  
he is to be feared above all gods.**

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
but the Lord made the heavens.  
Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

**Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness;  
tremble before him, all the earth!  
Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!  
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity."

**Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
let the field exult, and everything in it!  
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy  
before the Lord, for he comes,  
for he comes to judge the earth.**

He will judge the world in righteousness,  
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

### \*Prayer of Invocation

#### \*Opening Hymn: #167 When Morning Gilds the Skies

#### \*Scripture Reading: Acts 26:1–11

#### \*Confession of Faith: The Heidelberg Catechism, Question #84

Question 84. How is the kingdom of heaven opened and shut  
by the preaching of the holy Gospel?

**Thus: when according to the command of Christ, it is  
declared and publicly testified to all and every believer,  
that, whenever they receive the promise of the Gospel by  
a true faith, all their sins are really forgiven them of God,  
for the sake of Christ's merits; and on the contrary, when it  
is declared and testified to all unbelievers, and such as do  
not sincerely repent, that they stand exposed to the wrath  
of God, and eternal condemnation, so long as they are  
unconverted: according to which testimony of the Gospel,  
God will judge them, both in this, and in the life to come.**

### Prayer of Confession of Sin

#### Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
they shall be as white as snow;  
though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.

### \*Doxology

### Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

### Anthem of Musical Worship

#### Sermon Title: Burdened for the Salvation of Souls

Acts 26:12–32  
(Rev. Martin Hawley)

### Closing Prayer

#### \*Hymn: #448 We Have Heard the Joyful Sound

*(Live Stream Ends)*

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### \*Benediction

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## 167

## When Morning Gilds the Skies

*I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. Ps. 34:1*

1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:  
 2. When sleep her balm de - nies, my si - lent spir - it sighs:  
 3. Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I find:  
 4. In heav'n's e - ter - nal bliss the love - liest strain is this:

May Je - sus Christ be praised. A - like at work and prayer  
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. When e - vil thoughts mo - lest,  
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. Or fades my earth - ly bliss?  
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. The pow'rs of dark - ness fear,

to Je - sus I re - pair: May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
 with this I shield my breast: May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
 My com - fort still is this: May Je - sus Christ be praised.  
 when this sweet chant they hear: May Je - sus Christ be praised.

5. Let earth's wide circle round  
 in joyful notes resound:  
 May Jesus Christ be praised.  
 Let air and sea and sky,  
 from depth to height, reply:  
 May Jesus Christ be praised.

6. Be this, while life is mine,  
 my canticle divine:  
 May Jesus Christ be praised.  
 Be this th'eternal song,  
 through all the ages on:  
 May Jesus Christ be praised.

## We Have Heard the Joyful Sound

448

*Proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations. Ps. 96:2, 3*

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are arranged in four-line stanzas. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal lines: F, C, C7, F, C, C7, F, Bb, F, C, C7, F, F, Bb, F, C, C7, F.

1. We have heard the joy - ful sound: Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 2. Waft it on the roll - ing tide: Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 3. Sing a - bove the bat - tle strife, Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 4. Give the winds a might - y voice, Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!

Spread the tid - ings all a - round: Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 Tell to sin - ners far and wide: Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 By his death and end - less life, Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 Let the na - tions now re - joice— Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!

Bear the news to ev - 'ry land, climb the steep and cross the waves;  
 Sing, ye is - lands of the sea; ech - o back, ye o - cean caves;  
 Sing it soft - ly through the gloom, when the heart for mer - cy craves;  
 Shout sal - va - tion full and free, high - est hills and deep - est caves;

on - ward! 'tis our Lord's com - mand; Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 earth shall keep her ju - bi - lee: Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 sing in tri - umph o'er the tomb— Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!  
 this our song of vic - to - ry— Je - sus saves! Je - sus saves!