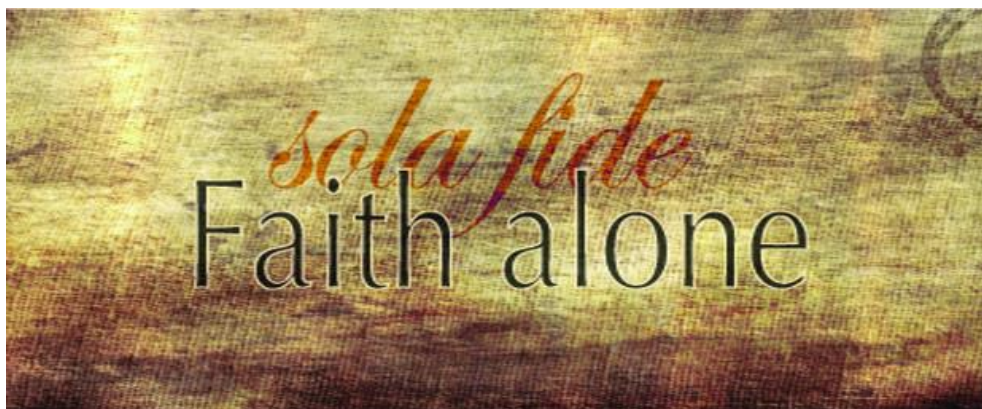


Our Redeemer Presbyterian Church

October 3, 2021



We are saved by Christ alone who raises us from the dead—
from the absolution of our death. We come before him
at the judgment with no handwriting whatsoever against us.
It's simply cheating to say you believe that and then renege
on it by postulating some list of extra-rotten crimes for which
Christ has to send you to hell. He, the universal Redeemer,
is the only judge; as far as he's concerned, the only mandatory
sentence is to life and life abundant.

~Robert Farrar Capon~

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, & Prayer

Worship in Song

Trinity Song

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Leader: Know that the LORD is God.

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people,
the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

People: Give thanks to him and praise his name.

Leader: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
People: His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Worship in Song

Solid Rock #526

Ephesians 2:1-10

Leader: Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil—the commander of the powers in the unseen world.
People: He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God. All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature.
Leader: By our very nature we were subject to God's anger, just like everyone else. But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead.

ALL: IT IS ONLY BY GOD'S GRACE THAT WE HAVE BEEN SAVED!

People: For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus.
Leader: So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus.
People: God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.
Leader: Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.
People: For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

Worship in Song

Nothing But The Blood

Luke 23:26, 32-43

Leader: As they led Jesus away, a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, happened to be coming in from the countryside. The soldiers seized him and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus.
People: Two others, both criminals, were led out to be executed with him.

When they came to a place called The Skull, they nailed him to the cross.

Leader: And the criminals were also crucified, one on his right and one on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing." The soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice.

People: The crowd watched and the leaders scoffed. "He saved others," they said, "let him save himself if he is really God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

Leader: The soldiers mocked him, too, by offering him a drink of sour wine. They called out to him, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

People: A sign was fastened above him with these words: "This is the King of the Jews."

Leader: One of the criminals hanging beside him scoffed, "So you're the Messiah, are you? Prove it by saving yourself—and us, too, while you're at it!"

People: But the other criminal protested, "Don't you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die? We deserve to die for our crimes, but this man hasn't done anything wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom."

Leader: And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise." This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Offering & Worship in Song

This is Amazing Love

The Lord Be With You

The Council at Jerusalem

Acts 15:1-35

Song of Preparation

Jesus Loves Me #185

Message

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Confession of Sin

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son

Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Hear us as we sing the prayer Jesus taught us. Our Father . . .

The Lord's Supper & Worship in Song

Amazing Grace #343
His Mercy Is More

Common Confession

Romans 5:1-8

We have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. We boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for us, the ungodly. God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. AMEN

Worship in Song

Good God Almighty

Benediction

Postlude