

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Digital Contemporary Service



January 24, 2021

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Brian Doerksen

Verse

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

Chorus

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Ending

Come come just as you are come come

Ever Be

Bobby Strand

Verse 1

Your love is devoted like a ring of solid gold
Like a vow that is tested like a covenant of old
Your love is enduring through the winter rain
And beyond the horizon with mercy for today

Pre-Chorus

Faithful You have been and faithful You will be
You pledge Yourself to me and it's why I sing

Chorus

Your praise will ever be on my lips
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips
Ever be on my lips
(REPEAT)

Verse 2

You Father the orphan
Your kindness makes us whole
You shoulder our weakness
And Your strength becomes our own

You're making me like You
Clothing me in white
Bringing beauty from ashes
For You will have Your bride

Pre-Chorus

Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame
And known by her true name and it's why I sing

Bridge

You will be praised You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord
You will be praised You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord
(REPEAT)

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

God So Loved the World

Reuben Morgan

Verse

God so loved the world that He gave
God so loved the world that He gave
His only Son

Pre-Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

Chorus

He's risen from the dead He is risen
He's high and lifted up
Heaven and earth adore

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God, we hold tight to the promise that nothing can separate us from your love in Jesus Christ. Yet we also sometimes wish that your love was not quite so generous; we sometimes want you to follow our will in determining the extent of your grace, instead of us following yours. Help us to open our eyes to the abundance of your grace and to share in it with others, so that we may all reflect your love in and through our lives.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Jonah (selected verses)

SERMON **"The One That Got Away"** The Rev. J.C. Austin

SONG OF PRAISE

His Mercy Is More

Matt Boswel

Verse 1

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

You Have Always Been Faithful

Stephen Altrogge

Verse 1

There is a Rock that's weather'd ev'ry storm
Standing firm though the ages
A shelter for the battered bruised and worn
You're our help and our Savior

Chorus

You have always been faithful
And You will always be good
You'll never let me go
I'll never be alone
You have always been faithful

Verse 2

Ev'ry day Your grace has carried me
Through the joy and the sorrow
You hold me tight through all eternity
You're my hope for tomorrow

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE