FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Contemporary Service
August 8, 2021

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Forever — Chris Tomlin

Verse 1
Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Verse 2
With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Pre-Chorus
Sing praise sing praise

Chorus
Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever forever

Verse 3
From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Let Everything That Has Breath — Matt Redman

Chorus
Let ev'rything that
Ev'rything that
Ev'rything that has breath
Praise the Lord
Let ev'rything that
Ev'rything that
Ev'rything that has breath
Praise the Lord

Verse 1
Praise You in the morning
Praise You in the evening
Praise You when I'm young
And when I'm old
Praise You when I'm laughing
Praise You when I'm grieving
Praise You ev'ry season of the soul

Bridge
If we (they) could see
How much You're worth
Your pow'r Your might
Your endless love
Then surely we would
Never cease to praise

Verse 2
Praise You in the heavens
Joining with the angels
Praising You forever and a day
Praise You on the earth now
Joining with creation
Calling all the nations to Your praise

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord **Paul Baloche**

Chorus
Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

Verse
To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy

Bridge
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see You

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you give us your Word to guide us in lives of faithfulness and love; you sent Jesus Christ to us as your Word Incarnate so that we may follow him as his disciples in fulfilling your will. Yet we are easily distracted from your ways: our minds wander, our hearts are restless, and our spirits lead us to pay attention to our own desires rather than your purposes. Forgive us, and bless us with your Holy Spirit, that we may truly see and hear how you would have us live as your children, and then respond in lives of joy and service.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

INTERLUDE

Unfailing Love **Cary Pierce**

Verse 1
You have my heart
And I am Yours forever
You are my strength
God of grace and power
And ev'rything
You hold in Your hand
Still You make time for me
I can't understand

Chorus
Praise You God of earth and sky
How beautiful is Your unfailing love
Unfailing love
And You never change God You remain
The Holy One and my unfailing love
Unfailing love

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4:21-25

SERMON "A Good Word: Attention" The Rev. J.C. Austin

SONG OF PRAISE

Shine, Jesus Shine **Graham Kendrick**

Chorus
Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land
With the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
Flood the nations
With grace and mercy
Send forth Your word Lord
And let there be light

Verse 1
Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me shine on me
(Chorus)

Verse 3
As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me
(Chorus)

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

The Blessing **Chris Brown**

Verse
The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus
Amen
Amen
Amen

Bridge
May his favor
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

Bridge
May his presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

Bridge
In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

Tag
He is for you
He is for you

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Blessed Be Your Name (Reprise)