

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

July 14, 2024 at 10 am

*"... I am humble and gentle at heart, and [in me] you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:29)*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

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### HYMN #138: "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

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Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

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Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD from the heavens!  
Praise him from the skies!

**Praise him, all his angels!**  
**Praise him, all the armies of heaven!**  
**Praise him, sun and moon!**  
**Praise him, all you twinkling stars!**

Praise him, skies above!  
Praise him, vapors high above the clouds!  
Let every created thing give praise to the LORD,  
for he issued his command, and they came into being.

**He set them in place forever and ever.**  
**His decree will never be revoked.**

\* *Please stand if you are able*

Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you creatures of the ocean depths,  
fire and hail, snow and clouds,  
wind and weather that obey him,  
mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars,  
wild animals and all livestock,  
small scurrying animals and birds,  
kings of the earth and all people,  
rulers and judges of the earth,  
young men and young women,  
old men and children.

**Let them all praise the name of the LORD.  
For his name is very great;  
his glory towers over the earth and heaven!**

He has made his people strong,  
honoring his faithful ones—  
the people close to his heart.

Praise the LORD!

*Psalm 148*

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**HYMN #455: "ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING" (verses 1-3, 6)**

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All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest us both warmth and light,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All creatures, your Creator bless,  
And worship God in humbleness.  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### READING FROM PSALMS

#### *"THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD"*

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This is my Father's world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world:  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world:  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world:  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world:  
Why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring!  
God reigns; let earth be glad!

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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#### *"THERE IS A REDEEMER"*

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There is a Redeemer, Jesus God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.  
*Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit, till the work on earth is done.*  
Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
O for sinners slain. *[Refrain]*

\* Please stand if you are able

When I stand in glory, I will see His face,  
There I'll serve my King, forever,  
In that holy place. *[Refrain]*

*"There Is a Redeemer," by Melody Green.*

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## THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

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Sermon: *"Meek and Mild, or Assaulter of Money Changers—  
Looking at the Emotional Character of Jesus"*

### **Matthew 5:5, 11-12**

God blesses those who are humble,  
for they will inherit the whole earth. . . .

<sup>11</sup> "God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. <sup>12</sup> Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.

### **Matthew 21:12-17**

Jesus entered the Temple and began to drive out all the people buying and selling animals for sacrifice. He knocked over the tables of the money changers and the chairs of those selling doves. <sup>13</sup> He said to them, "The Scriptures declare, 'My Temple will be called a house of prayer,' but you have turned it into a den of thieves!"

<sup>14</sup> The blind and the lame came to him in the Temple, and he healed them. <sup>15</sup> The leading priests and the teachers of religious law saw these wonderful miracles and heard even the children in the Temple shouting, "Praise God for the Son of David."

But the leaders were indignant. <sup>16</sup> They asked Jesus, "Do you hear what these children are saying?"

"Yes," Jesus replied. "Haven't you ever read the Scriptures? For they say, 'You have taught children and infants to give you praise.'" <sup>17</sup> Then he returned to Bethany, where he stayed overnight.

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

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*The metal basket in the offering plate is for gifts to support  
our deacons' provision of care, support, and financial assistance to those in need.*

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### **DOXOLOGY**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

\* *Please stand if you are able*

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**HYMN #276: "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"**

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Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever will be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *[Refrain]*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *[Refrain]*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

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### CALENDAR

- TODAY** Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)  
Potluck (after the service)
- Monday, July 15** Stewardship Meeting (1:00 pm)
- Tuesday, July 16** Tuesday Crew (9:00–11:30)  
Worship at Channel Point (10:30)  
Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group (1:00 pm)
- Wednesday, July 17** Quilting Group (10:30 – 2:30)
- Sunday, July 21** Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)
- LOOKING AHEAD** July 24: Lawn Concert: Chris Carthum and *The Other Thing*  
July 28: Worship service with United Christian Church  
(10:00 in the sanctuary)  
August 6: *National Night Out* (BBQ and Picnic)

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