

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP
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GATHERING

Prelude

Greeting

God is good.
All the time.
And all the time.
God is good.

Call To Worship

Let us sing to God, who knows the depths of the sea!
May the Spirit pour God's love into our hearts!
Let us sing to God, who fills the clouds with rain!
May the Spirit pour God's love into our hearts!
Let us sing to God, who brings forth water in the desert!
May the Spirit pour God's love into our hearts!
Let us sing to God, who separated the sea and the land!
May the Spirit pour God's love into our hearts!

***Hymn #386 "Come, Worship God"**

- 1. Come, worship God, who is worthy of honor;
enter God's presence with thanks and a song!
You are the rock of your people's salvation
to whom our jubilant praises belong.**
- 2. Ruled by your might are the heights of the mountains;
held in your hands are the depths of the earth.
Yours is the sea, yours the land, for you made them,
God above all gods, who gave us our birth.**
- 3. We are your people, the sheep of your pasture;
you are our Maker, and to you we pray.
Gladly we kneel in obedience before you;
great is the one whom we worship this day!**
- 4. Now let us listen, for you speak among us;
open our hearts to receive what you say.
Peace be to all who remember your goodness,
trust in your word, and rejoice in your way!**

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last.

We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.

Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again.

***Silent Prayer**

***Response #576 “Lord Have Mercy”**

**Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy on us.**

***Words of Grace**

**In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.**

***The Peace**

**The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(A sign of peace is exchanged.)**

***Response: Hymn #441 “Hear The Good News” v 1**

**1. Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God’s love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.**

**Jesus Christ, how much I love you!
Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within.**

THE WORD**Prayer for Illumination**

First reading: Exodus 17:1-7

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**The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.**

Children's Chat

Matthew Coyle

Second reading: John 4:5-42

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Thanks be to God**

Sermon

“ The Power of Living Water”

Matthew Coyle

***Hymn #182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 “Come unto me and rest;
 lay down, O weary one, lay down
 your head upon my breast.”
 I came to Jesus as I was,
 so weary, worn, and sad;
 I found him in a resting place,
 and he has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 “Behold, I freely give
 the living water, thirsty one;
 stoop down and drink and live.”

I came to Jesus, and I drank
 of that life-giving stream;
 my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
 and now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 “I am this dark world’s light;
 look unto me, your morn shall rise,
 and all your day be bright.”
 I looked to Jesus, and I found
 in him my star, my sun;
 and in that light of life I’ll walk
 till traveling days are done.

***Affirmation of Faith**

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for women and men when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.

In this experience, the Spirit brings God’s forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

Prayers of the People

Offering

Musical Offering “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Setting by Roland E. Martin
 After *Bach’s Suite No. 1 in G* for Unaccompanied Cello
 Chancel Choir

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise Christ, all people here below;
 praise Holy Spirit evermore;
 praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***Prayer of Dedication/ Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

Sending the Church into Mission

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

*Hymn #161 “Woman In The Night”

**1. Woman in the night,
spent from giving birth,
guard our precious light;
peace is on the earth.
Woman in the crowd,
creeping up behind,
touching is allowed:
seek and you will find!**

**Refrain:
Come and join the song,
women, children, men.
Jesus makes us free to live again!**

**2. Woman at the well,
question the Messiah;
find your friends and tell:
drink your heart's desire!
Woman at the feast,
let the righteous stare;**

**come and go in peace;
love him with your hair! (Refrain)**

**3. Woman in the house,
nurtured to be meek,
leave your second place,
listen, think, and speak!
Woman on the road,
from your sickness freed,
witness and provide,
joining word and deed: (Refrain)**

**4. Women on the hill,
stand when men have fled;
Christ needs loving still,
though your hope is dead.
Women in the dawn,
care and spices bring,
earliest to mourn,
earliest to sing! (Refrain)**

*Benediction and Congregational Response #745 “Now Go In Joy”

**Now go in joy to spread the Word
till all people have heard:
God embraces all! Follow, then,
the disciples' call:
tend your neighbors with loving care
in daily work and prayer.
God's own grace empower you spirit. Amen.**

Postlude