

# FLORISSANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 21, 2021

10:15 AM

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Welcome! We are so happy to have you join us in-person, on Facebook live, or outside in our drive-in for worship today. If you are participating in our drive-in-service, please tune your FM receiver to the 107.9 station and you will be able to hear in stereo from inside your car.

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## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

### **HYMN: Jesus, Messiah**

He became sin  
Who knew no sin  
That we might become His Righteousness  
He humbled himself and carried the cross  
Love so amazing  
Love so amazing

Jesus Messiah  
Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer  
Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners  
The ransom from Heaven  
Jesus Messiah  
Lord of all

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Blessed Redeemer  
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The rescue for sinners  
The ransom from Heaven  
Jesus Messiah  
Lord of all

All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You, God  
The light of the world

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Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer  
Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners  
The ransom from Heaven  
Jesus Messiah  
Lord of all

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Psalm 25:1-10)

**One:** To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

**Many: O my God, in You I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.**

**One:** Do not let those who wait for You be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**Many: Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.**

**One:** Lead me in Your truth, and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all day long.

**Many: Be mindful of Your mercy, O LORD, and of Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

**One:** Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for Your goodness' sake, O LORD!

**Many: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore, God instructs sinners in the way. God leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble God's way.**

**All: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep God's covenant and God's decrees**

## **OPENING PRAYER** Unison

**Holy Creator and Sustainer of the universe, we receive truth and wisdom only through faithfulness to Your righteousness. Your ways are beyond our comprehension, yet You made us in Your image and call us into relationship. So, by Your gift of grace, we worship you in faith and humbly give ourselves in obedience. In all the wonder of Your mystery unite us online, through our radios, and safely in person, that we may today draw near to You in worship. Amen**

## **HYMN:** In the Bleak Midwinter

1. In the bleak midwinter,  
frosty wind made moan;  
earth stood hard as iron,  
water like a stone;  
snow had fallen,  
snow on snow, snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.
2. Our God, heaven cannot hold him,  
nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away  
when he comes to reign:  
in the bleak midwinter  
a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God incarnate, Jesus Christ.
3. Angels and archangels  
may have gathered there;  
cherubim and seraphim  
thronged the air;  
but his mother only,  
in her maiden bliss,  
worshiped the beloved with a kiss.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Unison

**We come before You, Creator God, a fallen and separated people. We have sinned against You and You alone. The shadows of sin cover us and our dark**

**faults separate us from the light and knowledge of Your presence. Have mercy on us, blot out our transgressions, forgive our iniquities, and remember our sin no more. Reconcile us through Christ Jesus so that we may be made partners in His new covenant of Grace. Amen**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (all sing) # 582**

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen. (x 3)  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

**Genesis 9:8-17**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

**Mark 1:9-15**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.

**SERMON:** Forty Days

## **MUSICAL OFFERINGS**

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

Sharing Joys & Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer

**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**

### **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN:** Sign Us with Ashes

#### **Refrain**

Sign us with ashes, merciful God, children of dust, as to dust we return. Sign us with ashes, merciful God. Mark us and make us your own.

1. Surely, you alone can save us. You pay our price with precious blood.  
Reaching through your great compassion, you lift up your people with love.

#### **Refrain**

2. Surely, you alone uphold us. You give us strength for all our needs.  
Shielding with a father's favor, you bless us with pardon and peace.

#### **Refrain**

3. Surely, you alone can heal us. Yours is the will to make us whole. Soothing with a mother's kindness, the contrite of heart, you console.

#### **Refrain**

4. Surely, you alone can free us. You break the bonds of guilt and sin. Bracing, till we walk uprightly, you bolster our hope once again.

**Refrain**

5. Surely, you alone refine us. You give us grace for lives made new, forging, through your fire and radiance, a sacrifice worthy for you.

**Refrain**

6. Surely, you alone redeem us. You fill our dust with holy breath. Bursting from the grave in glory, you rise from the ashes of death!

**Refrain**

**CHARGE and BLESSING**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.

Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor

Lift your eyes and see his face and his grace forever.

May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.

**POSTLUDE**



Jean, Trish, Jon, Marilyn, Doris, Carol, Sara, Pamela, Georgiana and her brother Garry, Mary's brother, Barb's son-in-law Cliff, Sue's friend Lill, Ruth and her great grandson, Sue and her brother-in-law Shaw and her sister Lynn.