

ORDER OF WORSHIP
October 18, 2020

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. McConnell

“Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.”

Revelation 4:11 (ESV)

+ **HYMN OF PRAISE**
The Hymnbook, no. 52

On the Good and Faithful

PENITENCE

On the good and faithful God has set His love;
When they call He sends them Blessings from above.
Stand in awe, and sin not, Bid your heart be still;
Through the silent watches Think upon His will.

Lay upon God’s altar Good and loving deeds,
And in all things trust Him To supply your needs.
Anxious and despairing, Many walk in night;
But to those that fear Him God will send His light.

In God’s love abiding, I have joy and peace
More than all the wicked, Though their wealth increase.
In His care confiding, I will sweetly sleep,
For the Lord, my Saviour, Will in safety keep.

+ **INVOCATION**

+ **SONG OF PRAISE**
The ARP Psalter, no. 189

Universal Praise

OLD 100TH

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him
serve with mirth, His praise forth tell, Come ye before Him and rejoice. Amen.

PASTOR’S PRAYER

(Conclude with Lord’s Prayer)

Our Father, which 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.

+ **HYMN OF FAITH**
The Hymnbook, no. 290

Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone

MAITLAND

Must Jesus bear the cross alone, And all the world go free?
No, there’s a cross for everyone, And there’s a cross for me.

The consecrated cross I'll bear, Till death shall set me free,
And then go home my crown to wear, For there's a crown for me

O precious cross! O glorious crown! O resurrection day!
Ye angels, from the stars come down, And bear my soul away.

+ **STATEMENT OF BELIEF**

The Apostles' Creed

Mr. McConnell

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON TEXT

Revelation 2:1-7

SERMON

Rev. Davis

+ **HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

The Hymnbook, no. 332

Lead on, O King Eternal

LANCASHIRE

Lead on, O King Eternal, The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong,
And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lean on, O King Eternal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And Holiness shall whisper The sweet Amen of peace;
For not with swords' loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums,
With deeds of love and mercy, Thy heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal; We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might.

+ **INVITATION TO TRUST CHRIST**

+ **CONCLUDING BLESSING**

SONG OF RESPONSE

Benediction

STUART TOWNEND

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ the risen Son, and the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love. And to Him be praise for His glorious reign, from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n. We declare the name of the Lamb once slain: Christ eternal, the King of kings!

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Church Family: Ronnie Atkinson, the family of Evan Bass, Maurice Bennett, Aldaray Carns, the Davis family, Theresa Feaster, Marshall Gibbons, Wayne Goodyear, Elizabeth Levister, Barbara Love, Minnie Lunger, Sims Lynn, Bill Lyons, Dorothy & Harold Melton, Bobby & Frances Morrow, Dwight Pearson, Lois Roddey, Jenell White, Ruth & Walt Whitman, the family of Alex Wylie, Ed & Sarah Wynn, and Isabelle Young.

Church Members: Mary Frances Searle, Reynolds Searle, John Seidenstricker, John Sherer, Barbara Sherer, Duncan Sherer, Taylor Nance Sherer, Jay Sherer, Martha Shifflett, Doug Shifflett, Owen Shifflett, Tom Simpson, Lori Simpson, Riley Simpson. Megan Simpson, and Lacey Simpson.

Community: Gene Bigger, Bessie Feaster, Cynthia Fleming, Eunice Knox, Barbara Levister, Mary Love, Jimmy McCrorey, Nettie Owen, Annette Stepp, and Lettie Wilson.

Christian/Churches Around the World: Purity Presbyterian Church, Persecuted Christians in China, Displaced Syrian and Iraqi Christians, Christians in the Sudan, Persecuted Christians in Pakistan.

World: Matt & Jeni Awtrey (King's Church, Irmo), Sebastian & Patti Benicourt (France), Leon & Lin Brown (Montage Church, LA), Ben Carver (Shem Creek Presbyterian), Michael & Laura Cochran (England), Josh & Vonia Thomas (Germany), Mark & Natalie Witte (Spain), People who don't know Jesus.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth "Tish" McBrayer and Tyler Osborne with love from Lou Osborne.

ANNUAL FISH FRY

The Chester ARP Annual fish fry will be held at the Chester State Park Shelter #3 this evening at 5:00pm. The diaconate will prepare and serve this delicious meal. If you plan to bring a dessert, please have them individually wrapped in snack or sandwich bags for all to enjoy. The church has already covered the entry fee to the park so please come and join us for food, fun, and Christian fellowship.