

McIntosh Presbyterian Church



PRACTICING THE PRESENCE OF JESUS

We are saved...

By GRACE. Through FAITH. For GOOD WORKS.

May 21, 2023

Ephesians 2:8-10

McIntosh, Florida

Intercultural Church Sunday

Mission Worker Sunday

Presbyterian Heritage Sunday

We seek to be a church where thinking people believe and believing people think.

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A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 21, 2023

Prelude

Debbie Ayers

Welcome

Tommy Lane

Call to Worship

Holy Ground

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1. This is holy ground
We're standing on holy ground
For the Lord is present
And where He is is holy
This is holy ground
We're standing on holy ground
For the Lord is present
And where He is is holy

2. These are holy hands
He's given us holy hands
He works through these hands
And so these hands are holy
These are holy hands
He's given us holy hands
He works through these hands
And so these hands are holy

Prayers for Reconciliation

Confession

Tommy Lane

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done in 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, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be World without end. Amen.

***Praise Time**

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Praise Team

I Will Change Your Name

D. J. Butler

I will change your name
You shall no longer be called
Wounded outcast lonely or afraid

I will change your name
Your new name shall be
Confidence joyfulness
overcoming one
Faithfulness friend of God
One who seeks My face

You are Holy

(Prince of Peace)

You are holy (echo)
You are mighty (echo)
You are worthy (echo)
Worthy of praise (echo)
I will follow (echo)
I will listen (echo)
I will love You (echo)
All of my days (echo)

Chorus 1

I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
And I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

Chorus 2

You are Lord of Lords
You are King of Kings
You are mighty God,
Lord of ev'rything
You're Emmanuel
You're the Great I Am
You're the Prince of Peace
who is the Lamb
You're the living God
You're my saving grace
You will reign forever
You are Ancient of Days
You are Alpha Omega,
Beginning and End
You're my Savior, Messiah,
Redeemer and Friend
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

Remain In Me

John 15:5

I am the vine you are the branches
Remain in me
I am the vine you are the branches
Remain in me

Remain in me
Remain in me
Because apart from me,
You can do nothing
Remain in me

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Prayer of Dedication for the Lord's Tithes and our Offerings

ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 3:1-22 NIV

Moses and the Burning Bush

1 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was

on fire it did not burn up. 3 So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

4 When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

And Moses said, "Here I am."

5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." 6 Then he said, "I am the God of your father,[a] the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

7 The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. 9 And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. 10 So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

12 And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you[b] will worship God on this mountain."

13 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

14 God said to Moses, "I am who I am.[c] This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you.'"

15 God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord,[d] the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.'

"This is my name forever,

the name you shall call me

from generation to generation.

16 "Go, assemble the elders of Israel and say to them, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—appeared to me and said: I have watched over you and have seen what has been done to you in Egypt. 17 And I have promised to bring you up out of your misery in Egypt into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites—a land flowing with milk and honey.'

18 "The elders of Israel will listen to you. Then you and the elders are to go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us. Let us take a three-day journey into the wilderness to offer sacrifices to the Lord our God.' 19 But I know that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless a mighty hand compels him. 20 So I will stretch out my hand and strike the Egyptians with all the wonders that I will perform among them. After that, he will let you go.

21 "And I will make the Egyptians favorably disposed toward this people, so that when you leave you will not go empty-handed. 22 Every woman is to ask her neighbor and any woman living in her house for articles of silver and gold and for clothing, which you will put on your sons and daughters. And so you will plunder the Egyptians."

Old Testament Lesson**Exodus 4:1-20 NIV****Signs for Moses**

1 Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The Lord did not appear to you?'" 2 Then the Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" "A staff," he replied.

3 The Lord said, "Throw it on the ground."

Moses threw it on the ground and it became a snake, and he ran from it. 4 Then the Lord said to him, "Reach out your hand and take it by the tail." So Moses reached out and took hold of the snake and it turned back into a staff in his hand. 5 "This," said the Lord, "is so that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has appeared to you."

6 Then the Lord said, "Put your hand inside your cloak." So Moses put his hand into his cloak, and when he took it out, the skin was leprous[a]—it had become as white as snow.

7 "Now put it back into your cloak," he said. So Moses put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored, like the rest of his flesh.

8 Then the Lord said, "If they do not believe you or pay attention to the first sign, they may believe the second. 9 But if they do not believe these two signs or listen to you, take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground. The water you take from the river will become blood on the ground."

10 Moses said to the Lord, "Pardon your servant, Lord. I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue."

11 The Lord said to him, "Who gave human beings their mouths? Who makes them deaf or mute? Who gives them sight or makes them blind? Is it not I, the Lord? 12 Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say."

13 But Moses said, "Pardon your servant, Lord. Please send someone else."

14 Then the Lord's anger burned against Moses and he said, "What about your brother, Aaron the Levite? I know he can speak well. He is already on his way to meet you, and he will be glad to see you. 15 You shall speak to him and put words in his mouth; I will help both of you speak and will teach you what to do. 16 He will speak to the people for you, and it will be as if he were your mouth and as if you were God to him. 17 But take this staff in your hand so you can perform the signs with it." 18 Then Moses went back to Jethro his father-in-law and said to him, "Let me return to my own people in Egypt to see if any of them are still alive."

Jethro said, "Go, and I wish you well."

19 Now the Lord had said to Moses in Midian, "Go back to Egypt, for all those who wanted to kill you are dead." 20 So Moses took his wife and sons, put them on a donkey and started back to Egypt. And he took the staff of God in his hand.

Sermon**"THE CALL OF MOSES"**

Rev. Dr. Bob Shettler

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**Pastoral Prayer*****Hymn***Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him*

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1. Praise the Lord! ye heav'ns adore him;
Praise him angels, in the height;

Sun and moon, rejoice before him;
Praise him, all ye stars of light.

Praise the Lord! for he has spoken;
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance he has made.

God has made his saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high his pow'r proclaim;
Heav'n, and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify his name.

2. Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;

3. Worship, honor, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer unto thee;
Young and old, thy praise expressing,
In glad homage bend the knee.
All the saints in heav'n adore thee,
We would bow before thy throne;

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostle's Creed

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.

***The Charge and Blessing**

Rev. Dr. Bob Shettler

Congregational Response

Something Beautiful

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Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion, He understood.

All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife, but He made something beautiful of my life.

***The Postlude**

*Those that are able may stand. All hymns are from the Celebration Hymnal

If you have never responded to God's Love by committing your life to Jesus, we invite you to make that response and commitment today. If you are looking for a church home where you can worship, serve Christ and enjoy the fellowship of the Faith, we sincerely invite you to join us. Regardless of where you are on your Faith journey, we encourage you to unite with us and help us practice the presence of Jesus. Please speak to one of the Pastors or Elders.

Prayer List:

Stanley Beard (Althea's brother), **Jean Beck** and her daughter-caregiver, **Kathy Beck**, **Nitya Bernstein** (recovering from surgery), **Tiffany Blount** (Liz's friend, medical issues), **Jim Brantley**, **Lisa Cartier** (Art & Althea's daughter, breast cancer), **Mrs. Coffey** (Chris Tuttle's mother), **Ted Copeland** (hip replacement), **Katie Dailey**, **Sally Dowlen** (Susan's sister), **Mark DuPree** (cancer), **Dan Ezell** (cancer), **Father** of Caroline's friend, Razia (stroke), **Benjamin and Ugne Gould** (Rebekah's brother & wife) in Lithuania, **Marcia Graham** (auto accident), **Susan Holloway**, **Jean Hart**, **Gloria Kennedy and family**, **Kloey** (Jim and Randa's great, great niece), **Nicole Keys**, **Tommy and Caroline Lane**, **Zachary Lane**, **Desi McCloud** (cancer), **Pete & Linda McCullers**,

Vicki McDonald (RSD), **Conner Magee** (surgery), **Becky McCroan** (Randa's sister), **Deborah Morris** and family, **Flo Orlik** (Liz Beilock's friend), **Roy Owens**, **Susan Holloway's son-in-law**, **John Pardue** (stroke) and his wife, **Tracy**, **Corky Robinson** (Glenda's sister-in-law), **Asher Scherer** (brain surgery), **Morgan Schrack** (missionary aviator), **Will Sindledecker** (Suzanne's son), **Sondra Spradling** (Nancy's daughter), **Chris Tuttle** (Don's wife) and **Bobby Tuttle** (Don's son, Glenda Jones' son-in-law), **Erin Vranizan** (cancer), **Buddy Watson**.

Remember to pray for our country, our political leadership, our veterans and service personnel, the persecuted Christians worldwide (especially in India at the moment), global victims of COVID-19 trials, first responders, teachers, students, and those traveling.

DON'T forget to pray for each other; the Conflict in Ukraine and all affected peoples and countries, and Victims of human trafficking (served by Creative Gainesville). Please pray for the ministry and the staff of **Camp Montgomery**.

To add or subtract a name to the Prayer List, please email by Thursday noon. Tommy Lane at tlane@lphllc.net or Bert Ayers at bayers@lphllc.net.

At MPC, we are:

- **Scripture-based** – The Holy Scripture is the inspired written Word of God, which with the Word Incarnate serves as the authority for our life and work.
- **Grace-filled** – Grace is emphasized because it is God's unique and all-sufficient gift of salvation, forgiveness, and renewal for all who would trust Jesus.
- **Sacramental** – God works through His Word and the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion to bring us His Grace. Forgiven people of all ages, all races, and all nations are brought together by one Lord Jesus Christ to give glory to God.

Announcements:

- **If you have anything you would like to contribute to the newsletter**, please, send it to Martha Calkins at [fnubookie@gmail.com](mailto:f nubookie@gmail.com).
- **The MPC worship service can be found at**
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm5tUuBbI7IUjlQu2sccJdQ>

Camp Montgomery

- **Summer Camp:** Registration is LIVE for Summer Camp: Overnight Camp, Family Camp, You & Me Camp, and Day Camp! <https://montgomerycenter.net/about/summer/>
- **Now Hiring!** We are working to fill our summer staff. Qualified applicants should apply here: <https://forms.gle/DMBbM9wRoQ55beV68>
- **Please pray for the ministry of Montgomery** and all of our staff.
- **If you wish to make an offering** toward the Jesus Work done by MPC, you can do so via our website @ www.mcintoshchurch.org, or mail us at PO Box 385, McIntosh, Florida 32664.

"At MPC, our only agenda is Grace, and it is not hidden."