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# Order of Worship

41st Annual General Assembly *of the* Evangelical Presbyterian Church

## THE GLORY OF OUR LORD

PRELUDE: "Behold the Lamb" . . . . .arr. Lloyd Larson

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . .Barton Kimbro

◆HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 256 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" . . . . . DIADEMATA

*Words: Matthew Bridges / Music: George Elvey; arr. Metzger / Revelation 19:12*

**Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne:  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of Love: behold His hands and side—  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends His wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown Him the Lord of Life: who triumphed o'er the grave,  
Who rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.**

**Crown Him the Lord of Heav'n: one with the Father known,  
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.  
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died;  
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adorned and magnified.**

◆INVOCATION

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Is He Worthy" . . . . .Dan Forrest

*Words and Music: Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive; arr. Dan Forrest*

Do you feel the world is broken? We do. Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.  
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is.  
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave:  
He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy of this? He is.

Does the Father truly love us? He does. Does the Spirit move among us? He does.  
And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave:  
He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue,  
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is! He is!

*Jauna and Calvin Ellis, soloists*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE WORD OF OUR LORD

PSALTER LESSON ..... Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
<sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. <sup>3</sup>He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup>Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and

your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

GOSPEL LESSON ..... Mark 13:3-13

<sup>3</sup>And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains. <sup>9</sup>"But be on your guard. For they

will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. <sup>10</sup>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. <sup>11</sup>And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. <sup>12</sup>And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. <sup>13</sup>And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

SERMON: Be Aware. Be Transformed. Be Hopeful..... Glenn Meyers

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION ..... Phil Linton

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*During this time, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed in bold below.*

“The Anthem” ..... Delaney

*Words and Music: Todd Delaney / I Corinthians 15:57*

Hallelujah, You have won the victory.  
Hallelujah, You have won it all for me.  
Death could not hold You down; You are the risen King.  
Seated in majesty, You are the risen King.  
  
By His stripes, we are healed; by His nail-pierced hands, we're free.  
By His blood, we're washed clean. Now we have the victory.  
  
The pow'r of sin is broken; Jesus overcame it all.  
He has won our freedom. Jesus has won it all.  
  
Our God is risen. He is alive. He won the victory. He reigns on high.

*Phillip Bond, soloist*

“Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me” ..... Robinson

*Words and Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, and Michael Farren / Colossians 1:29*

**What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.  
There is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,  
For my life is wholly bound to His.  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing all is mine,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

**The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,  
For by my side the Savior, He will stay.  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
For in my need His power is displayed.  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead.  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;  
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated;  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing,  
I am free, yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,  
For He has said that He will bring me home.  
And day by day, I know He will renew me,  
Until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No. 577 "In Christ Alone" ..... Getty, Townend

*Words and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend / Philippians 3:8-9*

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦BENEDICTION

✦GOSPEL AMEN

POSTLUDE: "Toccata Brevis" .....Daniel Gawthrope

✦Indicates congregation standing

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*Combined Chancel and Gospel Choirs directed by Calvin Ellis*

*Instrumentalists: Samuel Metzger, organ and piano; Barrie Cooper, Lenore McIntyre, James Ryan, violin;  
Beth Luscombe, viola; Mark Wallace, cello; Michael Parsons, guitar; Joe Mariencheck, bass guitar;  
David Pruitt, drums; Devereau Williams, Hammond organ; Claude Hinds, piano*

