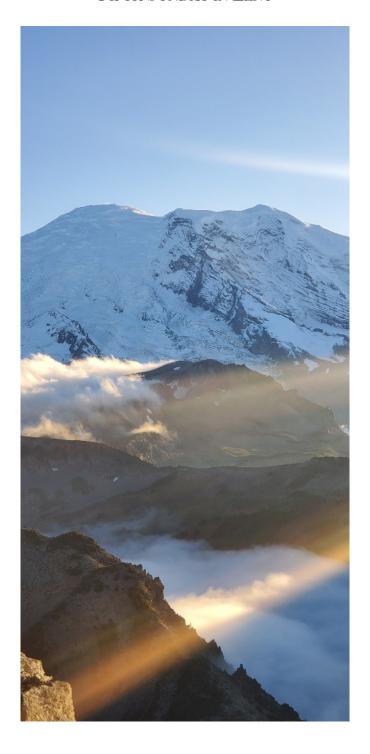
COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | MARCH 29, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



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Prelude

Call to Worship | Ps. 125:1-2, Ps. 121; Ps. 124:8

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.

Hift up my eyes to the hills, from where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, he who keeps Israel with neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil. He will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Hymn of Adoration

Our Great God

Eternal God, unchanging,
Mysterious and unknown;
Your boundless love, unfailing,
In grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight
Around Your glorious throne;
They raise their voices day
And night in praise to You alone!

CHORUS

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail And are helpless in the storm; Surround us with Your angels And hold us in Your arms. Our cold and ruthless enemy, His pleasure is our harm. Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee Before our sovereign God.

CHORUS

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Let every creature in the sea
And every flying bird,
Let every mountain, every field,
And valley of the earth,
Let all the moons and all the stars
In all the universe
Sing praises to the living God
Who rules them by His Word.

CHORUS

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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Confession of Sin

And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing." And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And the men marveled, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?"

O my Savior, help me.
Forgive my lack of faith.
The enemy roars and I cower.
The storm rages and I shudder.
I am in the foothills of fear when I should be on the heights of hope;

I confess my faithless heart and my prayerless days.

When darkness sets in, I am blind to you. Take the scales from my eyes, grind to dust my heart of unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study you, meditate on you, gaze on you, trust you, and rest in you. Lord, I believe, help my unbelief. Amen

Assurance of Pardon | Zeph. 3:14-17; Ps. 28:6-9

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!
The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;

he has cleared away your enemies.

The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

"Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;

he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing.

Blessed be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed. Oh, save your people and bless your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

Hymn of Assurance

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

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 Saviour He will stay
I labour 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!

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FORMATION & COMMISSION



CATECHESIS | **Heidelberg Catechism:**

Q I: Christian, what is your only hope in life and death?

A: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way
that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

READING OF THE WORD

Hebrews 11:1-3

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below: Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. Thomas Ken, 1709 | Louis Bourgeon's Genevan Psalter, 1551

SERMON

Assurance of the Unseen Rev. Eric Irwin

THE APOSTLES CREED

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER[†]

We offer both wine & juice for communion; the cups in the outer ring contain grape juice, and the remaining cups contain wine.

Abide with Me

CLOSING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

BENEDICTION

Postlude

THE APOSTLES CREED

We 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, and born of the Virgin Mary.

He 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away. Change and decay in all around I see.

O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like thyself my guide and strength can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me. I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless, ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes. Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun. The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares, are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts / William Croft, 1678-1727/CCLI# 1095616

CALENDAR & EVENTS

Details about events available at cpcissaquah.org

SUNDAY

10:30a | Live-Stream Morning Worship 4:30p | Youth Group Online

VBS | June 22-26 | Register at https://cpcissaquah.org/events/vbs/ | Volunteers needed | Contact austins@cpcissaquah.org

Sacred Road Summer Trips | Contact Jonathan Ross: jonathanr@cpcissaquah.org Yakama: June 13-20 | Warm Springs: July 11-18

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We invite you to the Lord's Table if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation. By eating the bread and drinking the cup you are saying you are a sinner without hope except for the mercy of God, and that you are in fellowship with God's people. If you have any doubts or questions about your participation, we encourage you to speak with one of the pastors or elders.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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