

Monroe United Methodist Church



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ADORATION

PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

John Cosin (1594-1672)

Prepare me for worship today, O God:
be light to my eyes, music to my ears,
sweetness to my taste, and contentment to my heart.
Fill all my senses to recognize your message of
grace. Use me as you see fit. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Robyn Essler

GLORY

Danny Daniels

Glory, glory in the highest ©1987 Mercy/Vineyard
Glory to the Almighty!
Glory to the Lamb of God
and glory to the Living Word! Glory to the Lamb!

I give glory, I sing glory,
Glory, glory to the Lamb
I give glory to the Lamb!

2. Praises, praises in the highest...
3. Honor, honor in the highest...

LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Lord, I lift your name on high!

Lord, I love to sing your praises!
I'm so glad you're in my life!
I'm so glad you came to save us!

You came from heaven to earth to show the way;
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift your name on high!

Rick Found's

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Mary Honors Jesus
MEET & GREET

O THE PASSION

O the passion, O the wonder of the fiery love of Christ
King of Glory on the altar, perfect Lamb of sacrifice
Who are we that he would love us?

Who but he would give his life?

O the passion, O the wonder of the fiery love of Christ.

O the wisdom, O the wonder of the power of the cross.
Love so great no words could tell it.

Life himself has died for us.

Who are we that he would save us?

Crucified to give us life.

O the wisdom, O the wonder of the power of the cross.

O the passion, O the wonder of the fiery love of Christ
Death defeated by his rising,

darkness conquered by his light.

We will sing his praise forever!

Worthy is the Lamb of Life!

O the passion, O the wonder of the fiery love of Christ.

David Baroni & Gary Sadler

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BE UNTO YOUR NAME

Lynn Deshazo

We are a moment, you are forever.

Gary Sadler

Lord of the ages, God before time

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We are a vapor, you are eternal

Hosanna! Music

Love everlasting, reigning on high.

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Highest praises honor and glory

Be unto your name; Be unto your name.

We are the broken, you are the healer

Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save.

You are the love song we'll sing forever.

Bowing before you, blessing your name.

Confession

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Søren Kierkegaard

O Jesus, forgive me when I have treated my worship service like attending the theater or a concert. In those venues, I am a spectator passing judgment on the performance of others. I am entertained and quickly move on. But worship is different. Here, you are the spectator, I am the participant. I join with the other participants in prayer and praise, and penitence! Forgive me for assuming a spectator role when you are the true audience. Make my actions today deeper than a performance, playing the role of Christian. Change my heart so I bare myself before you – a sinner in need of grace. Church is not a theater. I am not an actor. I genuinely come before you today. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

SUNG RESPONSE I Come to the Cross
I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace,
I come to the cross where you died in my place.
Out of my weakness and into your strength,
Humbly I come to the cross.

Your arms are open, you call me by name
You welcome this child who was lost.
You paid the price for my guilt and my shame.
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come,
Jesus, I come to the cross.

Bob Somma and Bill Batstone
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Thanksgiving & Supplication

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 22:1-17, NLT
 God tested Abraham's faith. "Abraham!" God called.

"Yes," he replied. "Here I am."

"Take your son, your only son—yes, Isaac, whom you love so much—and go to the land of Moriah. Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which I will show you."

The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about. On the third day

of their journey, Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. "Stay here with the donkey," Abraham told the servants. "The boy and I will travel a little farther. We will worship there, and then we will come right back."

So Abraham placed the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac's shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them walked on together, Isaac turned to Abraham and said, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"We have the fire and the wood," the boy said, "but where is the sheep for the burnt offering?"

"God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son," Abraham answered. And they both walked on together.

When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. And Abraham picked up the knife to kill his son as a sacrifice. At that moment the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Yes," Abraham replied. "Here I am!"

"Don't lay a hand on the boy!" the angel said. "Do not hurt him in any way, for now I know that you truly fear God. You have not withheld from me even your son, your only son."

Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means "the LORD will provide"). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided."

Then the angel of the LORD called again to Abraham from heaven. "This is what the LORD says: Because you have obeyed me and have not withheld even your son, your only son, I swear by my own name that I will certainly bless you. I will multiply your descendants beyond number, like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore."

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Peter 1:18-22, NLT

For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake.

Through Christ you have come to trust in God.
And you have placed your faith and hope in God
because he raised Christ from the dead and gave
him great glory.

You were cleansed from your sins when you
obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere
love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love
each other deeply with all your heart.

SERMON

PERSONAL PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord's Prayer as Confession

I cannot say "Our" if I'm living for myself.

I cannot say "Father"

if I don't try to act like his child.

I cannot say "who art in heaven"

if I am laying up no treasures there.

I cannot say "hallowed be thy name"

if I am not striving for holiness.

I cannot say "Thy Kingdom come"

if I'm not doing my part to bring about
God's Kingdom.

I cannot say "thy will be done"

if I am disobedient to his word.

I cannot say "on earth as it is in heaven"

if I'm unwilling to serve him here and now.

I cannot say "Give us this day our daily bread"

if I am not relying on him to provide.

I cannot say "Forgive us our trespasses"

if I hold a grudge against someone.

I cannot say "Lead us not into temptation"

if I deliberately place myself in its path.

I cannot say "Deliver us from evil"

if I haven't put on the whole armor of God.

I cannot say "Thine is the Kingdom"

if I am not loyal to the King as his faithful servant.

I cannot attribute to him "the power"

if I fear what people may do to me.

I cannot ascribe to him "the glory"

if I am seeking honor only for myself.

I cannot say "forever"

if my life is focused completely on the things
of time.

Father, forgive us for not living up to the petitions
of the prayer Jesus taught us. Help us to think
through the petitions we pray and put our heart and
faith into each one. Amen.

HIGHLY EXALTED

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You were despised. You were rejected, Lord;

Those who passed by,

even averted their gaze from the sight.

Such was the suffering you bore for us.

Led like a lamb, a lamb to the slaughter,

You spoke not a word, but chose to be silent,

Though you did no wrong,

nor was deceitfulness found in you.

Yet by your wounds our salvation has come.

Yet by your suffering our freedom is won.

For God has highly exalted your name.

He has enthroned you on high.

Jesus the name above all names.

DEPART WITH BLESSING



We do not "pass the plates" during the 9:30 service.
To make a donation to the church, the offering
plates are by the doors.