

Organ Prelude	<i>I Have Decided to follow Jesus</i> -Terry Baldrige	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	<i>Psalm 71:14,16</i> (Responsive)	Rev. Tim Valentino Shirley Long
Hymn	<i>350: We Praise Thee, O God</i>	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Rev. Tim Valentino
Scripture Readings		
The Old Testament Lesson:	<i>Hosea 1:2-10</i>	Shelley Miller
The Response:	<i>Psalm 138:1-8</i> (Responsive)	Shelley Miller/ Shirley Long
The New Testament Lesson:	<i>Romans 16:1-16</i>	Shelley Miller
Church Family Announcements		Rev. Tim Valentino
Missions Moment		Pat Strain
Worship in Giving	<i>2 Corinthians 8:9</i>	Rev. Tim Valentino
Prayer Hymn	<i>444: Sweet Hour of Prayer</i> (Vs.1)	Congregation
Prayer		Rev. Tim Valentino
Worship Song	<i>Living Hope / The Blessing</i>	Congregation
Sermon	<i>Doing Right When Wronged</i> (Romans 12:17-21)	Rev. Tim Valentino
Response Hymn	<i>497: Come All Christians, Be Committed</i>	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Tim Valentino
Organ Postlude	<i>O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i> - Glaser / Birchwood	Pat Shroff

Organist	Pat Shroff	Hospital Visitor This Week:	Marlin Bohanno
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Children's Church	Maureen Logan
Flutist	Shirley Long	Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Trumpeter, Pianist	Marcy Garman	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Hymn Leader, Vocalist	Maureen Logan	Intern Youth Minister	Xavier Easy
Lector	Shelley Miller	Visitation Minister	Patricia Strain
Responder	Shirley Long	Lead Pastor	Rev. Tim Valentino

Call to Worship: **Psalm 71:14,16** (Responsive)

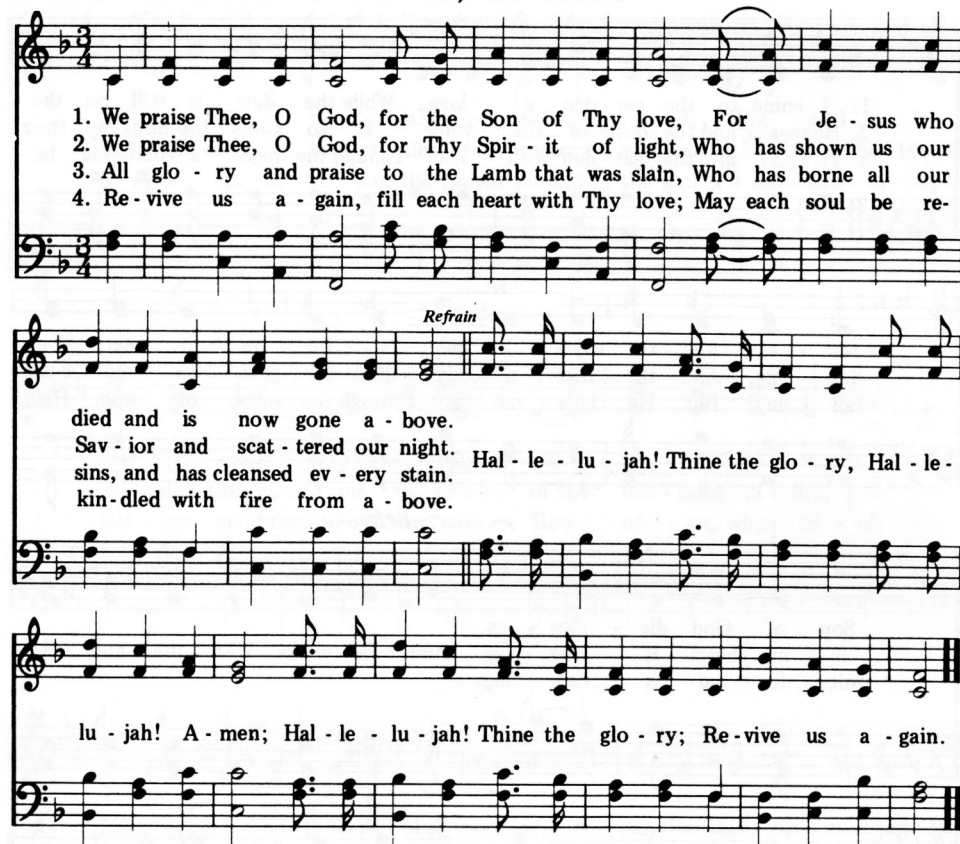
¹⁴As for me, I will always have hope;

I will praise you more and more.

¹⁶I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, Sovereign LORD;

I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone.

350 We Praise Thee, O God



1. We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love, For Je - sus who
 2. We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spir - it of light, Who has shown us our
 3. All glo - ry and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who has borne all our
 4. Re - vive us a - gain, fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be re -

Refrain
 died and is now gone a - bove.
 Sav - ior and scat - tered our night. Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Hal - le -
 sins, and has cleansed ev - ery stain.
 kin - dled with fire from a - bove.

lu - jah! A - men; Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry; Re - vive us a - gain.

WORDS: William P. Mackay, 1863
 MUSIC: John J. Husband, c.1880

REVIVE US AGAIN
 11.11 Ref.

The Old Testament Lesson: **Hosea 1:2-10**

⁹“When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest.

¹⁰Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the LORD your God.

¹¹“Do not steal.

“Do not lie.

“Do not deceive one another.

¹²“Do not swear falsely by my name and so profane the name of your God. I am the LORD.

¹³“Do not defraud or rob your neighbor.

“Do not hold back the wages of a hired worker overnight.

¹⁴“Do not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block in front of the blind, but fear your God. I am the LORD.

¹⁵“Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly.

¹⁶“Do not go about spreading slander among your people.

“Do not do anything that endangers your neighbor’s life. I am the LORD.

¹⁷“Do not hate a fellow Israelite in your heart. Rebuke your neighbor frankly so you will not share in their guilt.

¹⁸“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.

The Response: **Psalm 138:1-8** (Responsive)

¹ I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness,**

for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.

³ **When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me.**

⁴ May all the kings of the earth praise you, LORD, when they hear what you have decreed.

⁵ **May they sing of the ways of the LORD, for the glory of the LORD is great.**

⁶ Though the LORD is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar.

⁷ **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life.**

You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.

⁸ **The LORD will vindicate me; your love, LORD, endures forever— do not abandon the works of your hands.**

The New Testament Lesson: **Romans 16:1-16**

¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

¹⁹ Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,”ⁿ says the Lord. ²⁰ On the contrary:

“If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.”

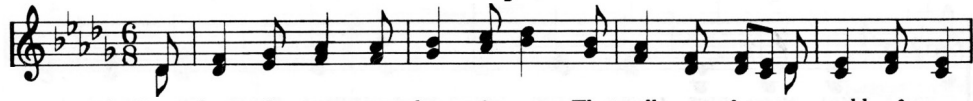
²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Worship in Giving: **2 Corinthians 8:9**

⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

444 Sweet Hour of Prayer

WORDS: William Walford, 1845
MUSIC: William B. Bradbury, 1861



1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care,



And bids me at my Fa-ther's throne Make all my wants and wish-es known;



In sea-sons of dis-tress and grief, My soul has oft-en found re-lief,



And oft es-caped the tempt-er's snare, By thy re-turn, sweet hour of prayer.

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope
Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory, whoa!

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope
Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope...

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are my living hope

The Blessing

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

(REPEAT 1 TIME)

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
and your children
And their children,
and their children

May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
and your children
And their children,
and their children

May His presence go before you
And behind you, and beside you
All around you, and within you
He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming, and your going
In your weeping, and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you

He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

(A CAPELLA)

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

497 Come, All Christians, Be Committed

1. Come, all Chris-tians, be com-mit-ted To the ser-vice of the
 2. Of your time and tal-ents give ye, They are gifts from God a-
 3. God's com-mand to love each oth-er Is re-quired of ev-ery
 4. Come in praise and ad-o-ra-tion, All who on Christ's name be-

Lord. Make your lives for Him more fit-ted, Tune your hearts with one ac-
 above, To be used by Chris-tians free-ly To pro-claim His won-drous
 man. Show-ing mer-cy to a broth-er Mir-rors His re-demp-tive
 lieve. Wor-ship Him with con-se-cra-tion, Grace and love will you re-

cord. Come in-to His courts with glad-ness, Each his sa-cred vows re-
 love. Come a-gain to serve the Sav-ior, Tithes and off-'rings with you
 plan. In com-pas-sion He has giv-en Of His love that is diceive.
 For His grace give Him the glo-ry, For the Spir-it and the

new, Turn a-way from sin and sad-ness, Be trans-formed with life a-new.
 bring. In your work, with Him find fa-vor, And with joy His prais-es sing.
 vine; On the cross sins were for-giv-en; Joy and peace are ful-ly thine.
 Word, And re-repeat the gos-pel sto-ry Till all men His name have heard.

WORDS: Eva B. Lloyd, 1966
 MUSIC: Traditional American melody; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; arr. James H. Wood, 1958
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday Bible Study: Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 2: Christ Community Church will be participating in the **Night Out** again this year. It is Tuesday, August 2nd, from 5:30-8 p.m. in Fairlane Park, Myerstown. We will have two tables and need volunteers to help set up and tear down afterwards, as well as sit at our tables to hand out water and literature. Sonya's balloon animals were a big hit last year and we want to make them again this year, but need volunteers to learn how so she isn't the only one. Please see Pat Strain if you are willing to give an hour or so of your time. Thank you!

Friday, August 5: Christ Community Church is hosting a lunch with BJ and Rachel Whitaker, our missionaries in Spain. The date is Friday, August 5th, from noon to approximately 2 p.m., at Country Fare Restaurant in Myerstown. The Whitakers will share about their transition from Alcoa on the east coast to Meco, a busy suburb of Madrid.

We do need a head count to give to the restaurant, so please let Pat Strain or Pat Shroff know if you are coming by August 1st. NOTE: This lunch is Dutch treat! (That means you all pay for your own meal.)

Monday, August 8: Ministry Council Meeting @ 7 p.m.
 in Zinn Commons + via Zoom

Sunday, August 28: Lector Training Workshop at 9:00 a.m.

SENDING BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Helen Deitzler will turn 98 on July 24. It would be great if everyone sent her a card.

Donna Greulich, another shut in, has a birthday on the 25th.

Helen Deitzler
 Spang Crest, Room 201
 945 Duke Street
 Lebanon, PA 17042

Donna Greulich,
 207 East Lehman Street
 Lebanon, PA 17046

REMINDERS

LOCAL SHARING CUPBOARD needs:

- All types of pasta, including Ramen Noodles
- Pancake mix • All types of soup, except tomato
- Prepackaged cookies

Assistive Listening Devices: CCC has four assistive listening devices for those who need them during the worship service. See Pastor Tim or Bob Long if you need a unit.

Prayer Requests: If you any have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church or (484) 269-4313.

DOING RIGHT WHEN WRONGED

Romans 12:17-21

Believers are never more like Christ than when we respond to personal offenses like Christ.

Introduction

In times of **international aggression** (e.g., sieges, invasions, captivities, atrocities, etc.), God's people were to seek divine guidance through their national security council (prophets, priests, and kings).

In times of **criminal activity** (e.g., thefts, kidnappings, rapes, murders, etc.), God's people were to seek justice through their established legal system (laws and judges).

In times of **personal offense** (e.g., slights, insults, disputes, insensitivities, etc.), God's people were to seek relief through their own reconciliation efforts (beginning with personal forgiveness).

When PERSONALLY WRONGED, do not try to settle the score yourself (17a, 19a, 21a).

17a Do not repay anyone evil for evil.

19a Do not take revenge, my friends.

21a Do not be overcome by evil.

The OT foundation for this NT instruction: "Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD" (Lev 19:18).

When PERSONALLY WRONGED, find ways to be kind to your offender (17b, 18, 20a, 21b).

17b Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.

18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

20a "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink."

21b ...overcome evil with good.

The OT foundation for this NT instruction: "If you come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to take it back to him. If you see the donkey of someone who hates you fallen down under its load, do not leave it there; be sure you help him with it" (Exod 23:4-5).

When PERSONALLY WRONGED, trust God to make things right in the end (19b, 20b).

19b ...leave room for God's wrath.

20b "In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

The OT foundation for this NT instruction: " 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay' (Deut 32:35), says the Lord" (Rom 12:19b).