

THE SERVICE of Worship

October 10, 2021
Ordinary Time
10:30 A.M.



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON
established 1870

Responding to God's love and grace, we WORSHIP with joy, NURTURE with faith, and SERVE others with love.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“God of Grace and God of Glory”
Edwin Walker, Organist

Alan Viner
(b. 1951)

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Adapted from Rev. Shelli Latham

I will tell God's story to family and friends;
I will offer praise in the center of the congregation!

**Let us raise our hallelujahs together,
God's children one and all!**

Because God has never turned away from our suffering or hidden away when we were in need.

**God has been right here listening,
a breath away when we cry out for help.**

To our great comfort, I raise my voice in praise.

**In the presence of the congregation we honor
and worship you, O God!**

*HYMN OF THE CHURCH | “God of Grace and God of Glory”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | *Unison*

Adapted from Rev. Shelli Latham

**Holy God,
sometimes it hurts too much to look honestly at the world and ourselves.
We grow tired of the constant bad news,
so we put on a brave face and gloss over the ache of violence,
sickness, disaster, and human callousness that plagues our globe.
With those we are closest to, we sometimes pretend that we feel okay,
that we are not worried, that we have a plan.
We even lie to ourselves,
not fully admitting the impact of our actions on one another or ourselves.
Forgive us, O God, when we try to hide our hearts from you.
Fuel our trust that we might approach you with our full selves,
authentic in our gifts, and our fears, and our shortcomings.
Give us the courage to walk together through the trials of life,
rather than soldiering on alone.
And help us to sense your faithful presence
through the days when there feels like more shadow than sun.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

The Lord is compassionate and merciful,
very patient, and full of faithful love.
As high as heaven is above the earth,
that's how large God's faithful love is for God's children.
As far as east is from west—that's how far God has removed our sin from us.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI | *Sung*

Glory to God 581

**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, amen.**

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Pastor Rosy

ANTHEM

“Amazing Grace”

Michael John Trotta

The Sanctuary Choir, Ralph Stannard, Director

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a soul like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to heal,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.*

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE PSALTER

Psalm 22:1-15

My God, why do you forsake me? You lay me in the dust of death.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 4:12–16

The living word of God is our judge; Jesus is our great high priest.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:17–22

For God all things are possible; the last will be first in the kingdom.

SERMON

Rev. Rosy Robson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF DESCIPLESHIP | “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

Glory to God 730

*NICENE CREED | *Unison*

The Confession of Faith for the Universal Church

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER | *Unison*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on 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, and the power,
and the glory, forever.**

Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“God So Loved the World”
The Sanctuary Choir; Edwin Walker, Organ
Ralph Stannard, Director

Carl J. Nygard, Jr.

*DOXOLOGY | “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
Edwin Walker, Organist

Johann Walther
(1684-1748)

