Worshiping Christ, God's Perfect Prophet!

Prelude *Fugue in E Flat Major (ST. ANNE)* J. S. Bach
Dennis Bergin, organ

For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things:
to whom be glory forever. Amen. Romans 11:36 (KJV)

Welcome
Reverend David Barnes, Senior Pastor

We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship *Prepare the Way*
Sing! Jr.

Prepare the way, all ye of faith, for He shall come again.
In the wilderness and desert lands prepare the way for Him.
Ev'ry valley shall be lifted up, and low, ev'ry mountain.
In the coming day he will reveal his glory to the earth.
The Lord is true and never fails; this is his holy Word.
Prepare the way, all ye of faith, for He shall come again.
Jesus will come again.

*__God Calls Us to Worship__ Hebrews 1:1-3, 12:28-29
Josiah Kaniarz, Director of Discipleship Ministries

Pastor: Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

People: Whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

Pastor: He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

People: After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Pastor: Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

*__True Son of God and Man__ **No. 181** *We Come, O Christ, to You*
Kyrstan Brantley, Ellie McGinty, Maddy Paramore, vocals; Carrie Smith, piano; Ariana Stout, guitar; Greg Wagener, drums

***We Invoke His Presence**

God Exposes Our Need Psalm 51:1-2

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

We Confess Our Sin

Christ Provides for Our Need Titus 3:4–7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

His Mercy Is More



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*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith 28.1 & 28.5

Pastor: What is baptism?

People: Baptism is a sacrament of the new testament, ordained by Jesus Christ, not only for the solemn admission of the party baptized into the visible church; but also, to be unto him a sign and seal of the covenant of grace, of his ingrafting into Christ, of regeneration, of remission of sins, and of his giving up unto God, through Jesus Christ, to walk in newness of life. Which sacrament is, by Christ's appointment, to be continued in his church until the end of the world.

Pastor: Does baptism save?

People: Although it be a great sin to contemn or neglect this ordinance, grace and salvation are not so inseparably annexed unto it, as that person can be regenerated, or saved, without it, or, that all that are baptized are undoubtedly regenerated.

*Gloria Patri

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.

We Invoke His Help Psalm 9:9

Greg Wagener, Elder

The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

God Calls Us to Stewardship Leviticus 27:30

Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord.

We Give Our Grateful Offerings

We Prepare for God's Word *Doxology (God Be Praised)*
Sing! Jr.

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

Chorus
Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit now with us.
Every moment, all our days God be praised, God be praised.

Praise God with morning's breaking light. Praise Him through darkness of the night.
Praise Him with every breath of life. Praise Him, my soul, with all your might. *Chorus*

Praise God when face to face we see the One who died to set us free,
The One who rose in victory. Praise now, forever Christ our King. *Chorus*

Congregation please join in singing:
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

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God Proclaims His Word	Reverend David Barnes, Senior Pastor
Sermon Series	"The Gospel of John"
Scripture Text	John 1:19-28 | page 886 in the pew Bible
Sermon Title	*John the Prophet*

***Peace Waits for Them**

I've Found the Pearl of Greatest Price



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***Benediction**

Postlude Reprise: *I've Found the Pearl of Greatest Price*

Sermon Notes

John the Prophet

Reverend David Barnes, Senior Pastor
John 1:19-28 | page 886 in the pew Bible

What was John's testimony?

That he was not the Christ

That he was a prophet of the Christ

*Congregation please rise

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