# WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

November 22, 2026

**Reflection**

It's entitlement that fuels complaint. When you think you deserve what you don't deserve you focus on needs unmet rather than grace given.

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**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** Psalm 9:1-2

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise**

***Now Thank We All Our God,*** Hymn # 98

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God,
The Father, now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

**Confession of Sin** **Psalm 51:1-4, 6, 9-11**

**Leader:** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
***All: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!***
**Leader:** For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
***All: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.***
**Leader:** Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
***All: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.***
**Leader:** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
***All: Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.***

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace** **Titus 3:4-6**

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.

***Song of Assurance**

***His Mercy Is More***

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

CHORUS: Praise the Lord, his mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

**Congregational Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

**You may also give at clemsonpres.org/give*
**K5-1st Grade are invited to Engage.*

***Jesus, Thank You***

The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend;
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect Holy One, crushed your Son,
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

CHORUS: Your blood has washed away my sin: Jesus, thank you
The Father's wrath completely satisfied: Jesus, thank you
Once your enemy, now seated at Your table: Jesus, thank you
By your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near;
Your enemy you've made Your friend
Pouring out the riches of your glorious grace;
Your mercy and your kindness know no end

BRIDGE: Lover of my soul, I want to live for you

**Reading of Scripture** **Ecclesiastes 12:9-14**

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**Sermon**

*The End of the Matter*

***Song of Response**

***We Are Thankful***

For goodness and for mercy
That has surely followed us
And every blessing we could never earn
For all the gifts we cherish
That are pictures of your love
What could we ever offer in return

CHORUS: Thank You, thank You, Father, thank You
You are always good
Thank You, thank you, Father, thank You
You are always faithful, and we are thankful

For sorrows and for trials
That You send to shape our hearts
And pain that keeps us clinging to your grace
For faith within the fire
Or your presence in the dark
What can we sing no matter what we face?

For pardon and forgiveness
Through our Savior's sacrifice
And death that's swallowed up in victory
For love that's never failed us
And your everlasting life
What will we say for all eternity?

***Benediction**

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# *ECCLESIASTES*

*The End of the Matter*
**Ecclesiastes 12:914**

**The Shepherd's Voice**

**The Shepherd's Charge**

**The Shepherd's Love**

**Return to One Service | starting December 13**
December 13-January 3, we will have one worship service at 9am followed by Sunday School at 10:30am. We'll continue to remind you in the bulletin, email, and with a churchwide text on the 12th.

**Women's Christmas Gathering | Dec 8 | 7pm**
**Learn more & get tickets: clemsonpres.org/gathering**
One of our most cherished traditions is almost here! Women and girls (6th grade and up) are invited to our annual Christmas Gathering for fellowship, worship, and sweet & savory treats. Pause with us during a busy season and celebrate the joy of Christmas together.

**Welcome Breakfast | Dec 6 | 10am | Library**
If you're new to Clemson Pres, we'd love to get to know you! Join other newcomers along with a handful of staff and CPC members to get to know one another, the church, and have an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. We'll bring the food, so you just need to show up. If you know you'll be there, let us know at clemsonpres.org/new, otherwise just show up.

**Men's Breakfast | Dec 5 | 8:30am | Fellowship Hall Join the men of** CPC for a monthly fellowship breakfast, where we share a great meal prepared by the men and are encouraged by a short devotional or ministry presentation.

**Christmas Special Events**
Full calendar is at clemsonpres.org/calendar or in the CPC app and click "calendar" in the bottom menu!
Dec 2: Middle School Progressive Dinner, 6pm
Dec 6: Lessons & Carols, 6pm
Dec 8: Women's Christmas Gathering, 7pm
Dec 9: MidWeek Christmas Party, High School Progressive Dinner 6pm
Dec 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 5:30pm

**Office Closings**
The church office will be closed starting Wednesday at noon and will reopen on Monday, November 30 for Thanksgiving.

**Stay in Touch:** Subscribe to church emails or download the Clemson Pres app at clemsonpres.org/contact.

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