

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

May 24, 2026

Reflection

Proverbs 12:19-20

Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment. Deceit is in the heart of those who devise evil, but those who plan peace have joy.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalms 21:1-4

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,

People: *For he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.*

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

People: *He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.*

*Invocation

*Hymns of Praise

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Hymn #32

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;

There is no shadow of turning with thee;

Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;

As thou hast been thou forever wilt be

REFRAIN: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see:

All I have needed thy hand hath provided -

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,

Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,

Join with all nature in manifold witness

To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Goodness of God

I love you Lord, oh your mercy never fails me

All my days, I've been held in your hands

From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head

I will sing of the goodness of God

CHORUS: All my life you have been faithful

All my life you have been so so good

With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love your voice, you have led me through the fire

In darkest night, you are close like no other

I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend

I have lived in the goodness of God

BRIDGE: Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now

I give you everything, your goodness is running after

It's running after me

Confession of Sin

Martin Bucer, 1539

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we acknowledge and confess that we indeed were conceived and born in sin and, therefore, inclined to all evil and slow to all good; that we unceasingly transgress your holy commandments, and corrupt ourselves more and more. But we are sorry for this and desire your grace and help. Therefore, have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father, through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us your Holy Spirit, so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness from the depth of our heart, feel true contrition and grief for them, die to them completely, and please you wholly in a new, godly life. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace

1 John 1:8-9

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Song of Assurance

Reign in Us

You thought of us before the world began to breathe

And you knew our names before we came to be

You saw the very day we'd fall away from you

And how desperately we need to be redeemed

Lord Jesus come lead us

We're desperate for Your touch

CHORUS: Oh great and mighty One, with one desire we come

That you would reign, that you would reign in us

We're offering up our lives, a living sacrifice

That you would reign, that You would reign in us

Spirit of the living God fall fresh again

Come search our hearts and purify our lives

We need your perfect love we need your discipline

We're lost unless you guide us with your light

Lord Jesus come lead us, we're desperate for your touch

BRIDGE: We cry out for your life to refine us

Cry out for your love to define us

Cry out for your mercy to keep us

Blameless until you return

Congregational Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

*You may also give at clemsonpres.org/give

*K5-1st Grade are invited to Engage.

Great Are You Lord

You give life, you are love, you bring light to the darkness.

You give hope, you restore ev'ry heart that is broken

And great are you Lord

CHORUS: It's your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise

We pour out our praise, it's your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise to you only

BRIDGE: And all the earth will shout your praise

Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing

Great are you Lord (REPEAT)

Reading of Scripture

Acts 4:32-5:16

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Sermon

The Glory of God and the Good of the Church

*Song of Response

His Glory And My Good

I have seen my Father's glory, revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold him, the more he satisfies
When I gaze upon his beauty, when I see him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward, for his glory and my good

There is hope in every trial, for I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards him and help me bear the thorn
So in faith I follow Jesus, on the road not understood
For I know that he is working, for his glory and my good

CHORUS: To our God be the glory, to our God be praise
He alone the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know his glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus, upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness, deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me, it was nailed into the wood
Yes I know that he has saved me, for his glory and my good

Would I gladly be made nothing, that Christ would be made more
Would I seek the only kingdom, that far outweighs them all
I will stand before my Father, where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy my heart shall praise him, for his glory and my good
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TAG: For I know his glory is my good

*Benediction

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Acts

The Glory of God and the Good of the Church

Acts 4:32-5:16

June Calendar | clemsonpres.org/summer

1: Women's Let's Get Together
3: Choir (weekly on Wednesdays through June)
4: Playground Party
5: Men's Bible Study (weekly on Fridays all summer)
6: Men's Breakfast; Discipleship Foundations Workshop
7: Sunday School, Worship, College Dinner
8-11: Vacation Bible School, Preschool Bible Camp
13: Men's Outdoor Day Away
14: Sunday School, Worship, Welcome Lunch, College Dinner
18: Playground Party
21: Sunday School, Worship, College Dinner
22-26: Middle School RYM
28: Sunday School, Worship, College Dinner

Vacation Bible School | June 8-11 | 9:30-11:30am

Kindergarden-5th grade

Sign up: clemsonpres.org/vbs

VBS registration has begun! Sign up your kids and tell your friends, neighbors, and unbelieving families. Each day is an age-appropriate focus on creation, the fall, redemption, and restoration for elementary aged kids!

Preschool Bible Camp | June 8-11 | 9:30-11:30am

3yrs old-K5 (must have turned 3 by Sept 1, 2025)

Sign up: clemsonpres.org/pbc

Sign your child up for PBC! During the week, kids will attach meaning to colors they see every day. When they see gold, black, red, white, and green they can remember God's story for them!

Discipleship Foundation Workshop June 6 | 9:30am-4:30pm | 1E6

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Join us for a focused workshop on what it means to follow Jesus and help others grow spiritually. We'll cover core discipleship principles and learn together in a supportive setting. It's a simple, meaningful next step in building a strong spiritual foundation.

Women's Let's Get Together | June 1 | 6:30-8:30pm

Begin your summer with a time of connection and conversation. Come as you are for food and fellowship. This is for all women, 6th grade and up.

We'll meet at Margret Austin's home. Need the address? Email womensministry@clemsonpres.org to get it.

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