
WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

June 28, 2026

Reflection

God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply.
- Hudson Taylor

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Invocation

*Call to Worship Ephesians 1:3-6

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

*Song of Praise

Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord
In Christ he has in heav'nly realms his blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in his sight he destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through his Son eternally

CHORUS: To the praise of your glory
To the praise of your mercy and grace
To the praise of your glory
You are the God who saves

Come praise and glorify our God who gives his grace in Christ
In him our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice
In him God has made known to us the myst'ry of his will
That Christ should be the head of all, his purpose to fulfill

Come praise and glorify our God for we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise to God the Three in One

Confession of Sin

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble. Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up your cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace Ephesians 2:12-13

Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

*Song of Assurance

The Love of Christ Is Rich and Free

The love of Christ is rich and free; fixed on his own eternally;
Nor earth, nor hell, can it remove; long as he lives, his own he'll love.

His loving heart engaged to be their everlasting Surety;
'Twas love that took their cause in hand,
And love maintains it to the end.

CHORUS: Love cannot from its post withdraw;
Nor death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law,
Can turn the Surety's heart away; he'll love his own to endless day.

Love has redeemed his sheep with blood;
And love will bring them safe to God;
Love calls them all from death to life; and love will finish all their strife.

He loves through every changing scene,
Nor aught from him can Zion wear;
Not all the wanderings of her heart can make his love for her depart.

At death, beyond the grave, he'll love; in endless bliss,
His own shall prove
The blazing glory of that love which never could from them remove.

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus, Hymn # 535

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith, 7.3

Since man, by his fall, made himself incapable of life by that covenant, the Lord was then pleased to make a second covenant, commonly called the covenant of grace. In it God freely offers life and salvation by Jesus Christ to sinners, requiring of them faith in him, that they may be saved, and promising to give his Holy Spirit to all those who are ordained to eternal life, to make them willing and able to believe.

Congregational Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

**You may also give at clemsonpres.org/give
And Can It Be?*

Choir

Reading of Scripture

Acts 8:26-40

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Sermon

Good News Stories

*Song of Response

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

CHORUS: 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 (REPEAT)
Jesus yours is the victory! (CHORUS 2x)

ENDING: Jesus Christ my living hope, Oh God you are my living hope

*Benediction

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Acts

Good News Stories
Acts 8:26-40

I. Need for Good News

II. Means of Good News

III. Results of Good News

Young Pros Summer Dinners

This summer, our Young Professionals are connecting with CPC families through shared meals and meaningful conversations. All young adults are invited to these dinners for fellowship and encouragement. For details including dates, times, and locations, contact Reid Jones (reid.jones@clemsonpres.org) or join the young professionals email at clemsonpres.org/contact.

Clemson Pres App

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- Women's Bible Study Lessons
- Upcoming signups and announcements

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- Get your volunteer schedule, accept or decline volunteer dates, set your availability, get reminders for when you're scheduled to serve
- Sign up for customized notifications
- Participate in your group's messages (if the group uses them)
- Get your giving statement; adjust giving
- Take notes

Learn more and get the how to guide at clemsonpres.org/app

Sunday Morning Volunteers

In August, we'll be moving to two services and will have more places for you to plug in and serve. From Welcome Team to being a nursery worker, there are lots of ways to be part of the church family. Learn more and sign up at clemsonpres.org/sundayvolunteers.

Get Connected: Want to know what's coming up? Go to clemsonpres.org/calendar or open the CPC app and click "calendar" in the bottom menu!

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Associate Pastor of Adult Discipleship: *Reid Jones*

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