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Crossroads PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# Third Sunday

October 16, 2022 11:00 A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-Teacher

Lay Leader: John Matthews
Pianist: Kristi Helfen

Worship Leader: Maggie Sofidiya

Drums: Ben Wilkinson

### COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Almighty One loves us with infinite love.

All: Thank you, Lord.

Leader: He is merciful to all who call on Him.

All: Thank you, Lord.

Leader: He is Master, Redeemer and Friend.

All: Oh, what a privilege to join together to praise Him.

#### **OPENING PRAISE**

Hymn No. 294

### I Stand Amazed in The Presence

### +PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

From Psalm 51 [The Voice]

Look on us with a heart of mercy, O God, according to Your generous love. According to Your great compassion, wipe out *every consequence of* our *shameful* crimes. Thoroughly wash us, *inside and out*, of all our crooked deeds. Cleanse us from my sins. For we are *very* aware of our wrongs, and our guilt is there, staring us in the face. Have mercy for all our sins, large and small. We pray in the name of Jesus, The Christ.

### +ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Lay Leader

Lord, pry open our lips that our mouth will sing joyfully of Your greatness. We would surrender our dearest possessions or destroy all that we prize to prove our regret, but You don't take pleasure in sacrifices or burnt offerings. The sacrifice we can offer You is our broken spirit, because a broken spirit, O God, a heart that honestly regrets the past, You won't detest. You forgive because of Jesus Christ. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Amen. \*

JOYFUL OFFERING OF PRAISE

Power of Your Love Steadfast Love

+PASTORAL PRAYER

#### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

### GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please remember the Deacons Fund in your giving this week. Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

#### **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

Kristi Helfen

Jesus Paid It All with Lamb of God Grape/Paris/Tornquist

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Hymn No. 583

We Give Thee but Thine Own

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Children ages 4 & 5 and grades 1st-5th are dismissed to class)

### +SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

Romans 13:1-7

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

**SERMON** 

**Pastor Richard Allen Farmer** 

5 Hot Topics, Part 3: "Politics"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 350

Open My Eyes, That I May See

**BENEDICTION** 

People: Amen

POSTLUDE All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Old Hundredth/Larson

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS. GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Hymns for the Living Church. (All music/words approved by CCLI License No. 58738)

+ No entry at this time. \* Prayer by Maggie Sofidiya

# I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus, the Nazarene, and wonder how He could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

### Refrain:

How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be: How marvelous, how wonderful is my savior's love for me!

For me it was in the garden He prayed "Not my will, but Thine"
He had no tears for His own griefs
But sweat-drops of blood for mine.

### Refrain

He took my sins and my sorrows; He made them His very own; He bore the burden to calvary and suffered and died alone.

## Refrain

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see, 'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me.

# Refrain

Charles H. Gabriel

# **POWER OF YOUR LOVE**

Lord, I come to You,
Let my heart be changed, renewed,
Flowing from the grace
That I've found in You;
And Lord, I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away
By the power of Your love.

### Chorus:

Hold me close,
Let Your love surround me,
Bring me near,
Draw me to Your side;
And as I wait
I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on
In the power of Your love.

Lord, unveil my eyes,
Let me see You, face to face,
The knowledge of Your love,
As You live in me;
And Lord, renew my mind,
As Your will unfolds in my life,
In living every day
By the power of Your love.

# Chorus

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# THE STEADFAST LOVE

# **Chorus**

The steadfast love
Of the Lord never ceases
His mercies never come to an end
They are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
Great is Thy faithfulness

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# WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN No. 583

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
Amen.

William W. How

# **OPEN MY EYES, THAT I MAY SEE**

Open my eyes that I may see Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me; Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp and set me free.

# Refrain:

Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, Thy will to see; Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit Divine!

Open my ears that I may hear Voices of truth Thou sendest clear; And while the wave notes fall on my ear, Everything false will disappear.

# Refrain

Open my mouth and let me bear Gladly the warm truth everywhere Open my heart and let me prepare Love with Thy children thus to share.

Refrain Clara H. Scott