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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A Holy Communion Service

January 1, 2023

11:00 A.M.



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

Lay Leader: Cleveland Robinson Worship Leader: Beryl Lindsay
Pianist: Kristi Helfen

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

OUR AFFIRMATIONS

Lay Leader

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord of yesterday, today, and tomorrow, we gather here this first Sunday of the New Year, where together we proclaim the good news of God's kingdom.

People: May we dream of a world made new

Leader: Where together we seek God's righteousness and as one, we sing God's praise.

People: May we dream of a world made new. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Hymn No. 560

Another Year Is Dawning

+PRAYER LITANY (*Unison*)

We rejoice, O God, that through the baptism of Your Son by John and anointing of the Holy Spirit, by the baptism of His death and resurrection, you have set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to life in You.

You are our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust

Today, O God, we re-affirm our lives to walking together as Your redeemed and reconciled people. Lead us within a fragmented world, to nurture and feed each other, to reach out and embrace all people in the name of Jesus Christ.

You are our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.

Stir us, O God, in our growing commitment to Your call. Manifest Your sacred and holy plans through our pledges of money, time, and talents which we make today and each day as we our walk with You.

You are our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.

Consecrate these commitments as You daily consecrate us to a newness and freshness of life in You.

You are our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Lay Leader

There is nothing to fear. God's hope is more steadfast than our despair; God's joy is more resilient than our grief; God's love is more compelling than our hate. **By grace, we are gathered to God. By faith, we rest in God's promises of forgiveness and restoration. Thanks be to God! Amen. ***

OFFERING OF PRAISE

*The Steadfast Love of the Lord
Jesus Lamb of God (You Are My All in All)*

+PASTORAL PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please remember the Samaritan Fund Ministry to people in need. Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY HYMN *Take My Life and Let It Be* No. 385

CHILDREN'S CHURCH-*Children ages 4 - 5th grade are dismissed*)

+SCRIPTURE READING

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

Psalm 1:3

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Pastor Richard Allen Farmer

"A Prosperous New Year"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

APOSTLES CREED

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Consecration of the Bread and Cup/Breaking of the Bread
CLOSING HYMN *The Lord's Our Rock, In Him We Hide-322*

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church**, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

OUR AFFIRMATIONS

Our Common Identity

Leader: Who Are We Crossroads?

All: We're the People of God

Our Common Purpose

Leader: Why Do We Exist as A Church?

All: To love God and worship Him.

To love and care for one another and to share the joys and the struggles of growing as a community seeking to bring glory to His name.

Our Common Mission and Witness

Leader: Why are we here?

All: We are here to joyfully worship and serve the Lord: to share the message of Jesus and the Gospel with all who will hear, through lives that demonstrate His love, mercy and justice in all of our relationships, in our communities, in our nation and in our world.

Leader: Crossroads, how can we be such a community?

All: By deciding to follow Jesus and to make a daily decision to live for God today.

By earnestly studying His word and seeking to value what God values and to practice the principles found in His word.

Leader: Crossroads, for the Glory of God, let us live like this.

All: Amen

ANOTHER YEAR IS DAWNING

Another year is dawning, dear Father, let it be
 In working or in waiting, another year with Thee;
 Another year of progress, another year of praise,
 Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.

Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and grace,
 Another year of gladness in the shining of Thy
 face;
 Another year of leaning upon Thy loving breast;
 Another year of trusting, of quiet, happy rest.

Another year of service, of witness for Thy love,
 Another year of training for holier work above;
 Another year is dawning, dear Father, let it be
 On earth, or else in Heaven, another year for
 Thee.

Francis R. Havergal

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

The Lord is my portion
 Says my soul
 Therefore, I will hope in Him

Chorus

The Lord is good
 To those who wait for Him
 To the soul that seeks Him
 It is good that we should wait quietly
 For the salvation of the Lord

Chorus

The Lord will not cast off forever
 But will have compassion
 For He does not willingly afflict
 Or grieve the sons of men

Chorus

So let us examine all our ways
 And return to the Lord
 Let us lift up our hearts and hands
 To God in heav'n.

Chorus

YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL

Jesus, Lamb of God,
Worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God,
Worthy is Your name.

You are my strength
When I am weak.
You are the treasure
That I seek.
You are my All in All.
Seeking You as a precious jew'l.
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my All in All.

Taking my sin,
My cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name.
You are my All in All.
When I fall down You pick me up,
When I am dry You fill my cup.
You are my All in All.

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TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice and let me sing,
Always, only for my King.
Always, only for my King.

Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold.
Not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.
Ever, only, all for Thee.

Francis R. Havergal

**THE LORD'S OUR ROCK, IN HIM WE
HIDE**

The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide
A shelter in the time of storm;
Secure whatever ill betide
A shelter in the time of storm.

Refrain:

O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land,
A weary land, a weary land;
O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land
A shelter in the time of storm.

A shade by day, defense by night
A shelter in the time of storm;
No fears alarm, no foes affright
A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

The raging storms may round us beat
A shelter in the time of storm;
We'll never leave our safe retreat
A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

O Rock divine, O Refuge dear
A shelter in the time of storm;

Be Thou our helper ever near
A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

Vernon J. Charlesworth