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Crossroads PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Third Sunday

March 17, 2024 11:00 A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Nicole Lock

Lay Leader: Cleveland Robinson Worship Leader: Cyril Jermin Pianist: Patti Matthews Drums: Ben Wilkinson Percussion: Sam Jones

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COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP		Lay Leader
Leader:	Come, let us join together in worship.	-

- Yes, we come to worship the Lord God Almighty. **People:**
- Who is this Lord we worship? Leader:
- **People:** He is Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, and Guide. He is worthy of all adoration and praise. *

More Love to Thee, O Christ

OPENING HYMN

Hymn No. 359

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) From Psalm 28:1-3: To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me, lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit. Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to You for help, when I lift up my hands toward Your most holy sanctuary. For I have done what I ought not to have done and left undone that which I should have done. Do not drag me off with the wicked, with the workers of evil, who speak peace with their neighbors while evil is in their hearts. Be merciful to me, and forgive my transgressions, my God.

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON Lav Leader From Psalm 28:6-9: Blessed be the LORD! For He has heard the voice of our pleas for mercy. The LORD is our strength and shield; in Him our heart trusts, and we are helped; The LORD is the strength of His people; He is the saving refuge of His anointed. He will save His people and bless our heritage! He is our Shepherd and will carry us forever. AMEN

JOYFUL OFFERING OF PRAISE Praise Him (Jesus, Blessed Savior) No Higher Calling

+PASTORAL PRAYER

Christiana Ashong

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS **Richard Coleman** TMS Global - Ethiopia

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Dr. Patti Matthews

"Doxology" Arr. By Mark Hayes

Doxology OFFERTORY RESPONSE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC **Chancel Choir** "Home In'a Dat Rock" By Marvin Curtis

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.

OT: Psalm 51 NT: John 6:48-66

Reader: The Word of the Lord Response: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Pastor Nicole

"Are You a Fan or a Follower?"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

HYMN OF THE MONTH Hymn No. 231 Free From the Law, O Happy Condition People: Amen BENEDICTION POSTLUDE WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS. GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

+ No entry at this time. * Prayer by Cyril Jermin

MORE LOVE TO THEE, O CHRIST

More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee! Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee; This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to Thee;

More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest; Now Thee alone I seek, give what is best; This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to Thee;

More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Let sorrow do its work, send grief or pain; Sweet are Thy messengers, sweet their refrain, When they can sing with me: More love, O Christ, to Thee;

More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper Thy praise; This be the parting cry my heart shall raise; This still its prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to Thee;

More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Elizabeth P. Prentiss

PRAISE HIM

Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus, blessed Savior, He's worthy to be praised. (Repeat)

From the rising of the sun Until the going down of the same, He's worthy, Jesus is worthy, He's worthy to be praised. Glory, glory, in all things give Him glory, Jesus, blessed Savior, He's worthy to be praised.

For God is our Rock, Hope of salvation, A strong Deliverer, In Him I will trust.

Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus, blessed Savior, He's worthy to be praised. (Repeat)

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NO HIGHER CALLING

Down at Your feet, Oh Lord, Is the most high place. In Your presence, Lord, I seek Your face, I seek Your face.

Chorus There is no higher calling, No greater honor Than to bow and kneel before Your throne. I'm amazed at Your glory, Embraced by Your mercy, Oh Lord, I live to worship You.

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FREE FROM THE LAW, O HAPPY CONDITION (#231)

Free from the law, O happy condition, Jesus hath bled, and there is remission; Cursed by the law and bruised by the fall, Grace hath redeemed us once for all.

Refrain:

Once for all--O sinner, receive it; Once for all--O brother, believe it; Cling to the cross, the burden will fall, Christ hath redeemed us once for all.

Now we are free--there's no condemnation, Jesus provides a perfect salvation; "Come unto Me," O hear His sweet call, Come, and He saves us once for all. (Refrain)

Children of God, O glorious calling, Surely His grace will keep us from falling; Passing from death to life at His call, Blessed salvation once for all. (Refrain)

Philip P. Bliss