



BUCKS COUNTY
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

January 3, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hallelujah! Praise! Praise God in the temple, in the highest heavens! Praise! Praise God's mighty deeds and noble majesty. All that is alive, praise! Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!
—Psalm 150:1-2, 6

PRAISE

Our God

Verse 1

Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like you
None like you

Verse 2

Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's No one like you
None like you

Chorus

Our God is greater, our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is Healer, awesome in power
Our God, Our God

Bridge

And if Our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us, then what can stand against?
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CALL TO CONFESSION

The apostle John wrote:

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

—based on 1 John 2:1-2, NRSV

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER

LORD JESUS, Give me a deeper repentance, a horror of sin, a dread of its approach; help me chastely to flee it, and jealously to resolve that my heart shall be Thine alone. Give me a deeper trust, that I may lose myself to find myself in Thee, the ground of my rest, the spring of my being. Give me a deeper knowledge of Thyself as Saviour, Master, Lord, and King. Give me deeper power in private prayer, more sweetness in thy Word, more steadfast grip on its truth. Give me deeper holiness in speech, thought, action, and let me not seek moral virtue apart from Thee. Plough deep in me, great Lord, heavenly Husbandman, that my being may be a tilled field, the roots of grace spreading far and wide, until Thou alone art seen in me, Thy beauty golden like summer harvest, Thy fruitfulness as autumn plenty. I have no Master but Thee, no law but Thy will, no delight but Thyself, no wealth but that Thou givest, no good but that Thou blessest, no peace but that Thou bestowest. I am nothing but that Thou makest me, I have nothing but that I receive from Thee, I can be nothing but that grace adorns me. Quarry me deep, dear Lord, and then fill me to overflowing with living water.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

—Romans 8:1-2, ESV

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 42

1 As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? 3 My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all the day long, "Where is your God?" 4 These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival. 5 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation 6 and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. 7 Deep calls to deep at the roar of your waterfalls; all your breakers and your waves have gone over me. 8 By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life. 9 I say to God, my rock: "Why have you forgotten me? Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?" 10 As with a deadly wound in my bones, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me all the day long, "Where is your God?" 11 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

SERMON

A New Season of Struggles and Joys

Pastor Peter Pak

OFFERING & RESPONSE SONG

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All Glory Be to Christ

Verse 1

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus

All glory be to Christ our King!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ!

Verse 2

His will be done
His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ!

Verse 3

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e're his people be
All glory be to Christ!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please continue to pray for our Senior Pastor, the Elders and Pastoral Staff.
- **Today marks the the beginning of 2021 with Online Only Sunday Services.** Due to the rising number of cases in the area, peak cold and flu season, and as many families may have chosen to have gatherings over the holidays, BCPC will be moving to online only for the time being (at least 2 weeks). The EM Sunday service on January 3 and 10 will be online only, and our session will continue to meet and pray about when we can return to in-person service.
 - If you are experiencing any technical issues (ie. sound cutting in and out), please contact Pastor Peter in order that we can attempt to address them in between the week and on the day of the livestreams. Again, we hope these issues are not a hindrance to your worship experience and we definitely hope to eventually be able to gather and worship together.
- This week our church community experienced the passing of loved ones in the family of Pastor Peter and of Jason Lee.
 - Pastor Peter's mother went to be with the Lord on the evening of December 29, 2020. Please continue to pray for his family and especially his father.
 - Jason Lee's mother went to be with the Lord on the morning of December 31, 2020. Please continue to pray for his family, and for Miho, Jared, and Sienna.
- **Online Giving:** Please go to <https://www.bcpcem.org/give>. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Peter.

BENEDICTION

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.