



Covenant Church
Presbyterian Church in America
Fayetteville, Arkansas

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY
April 23, 2023
10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements

If you are a woman member of the church who is interested in serving in the nursery, please contact Leslie Shaw. You can be added to the schedule that rotates through our volunteers for the next four months, or you can volunteer to be a substitute if one of our scheduled volunteers are absent on their scheduled Sunday.

All women are invited to a bridal shower lunch for Esther Atkinson at the church, Thursday, May 25th at 12 noon.
Esther and William Thompson are registered at Amazon and Target. More information can be found in the bulletins.

Please join us for our 5th Sunday Fellowship meal, next Sunday on April 30th. There will be no evening service.

Prelude

Memphis IPC Youth Choir

“Hallelujah, Amen!”

† Call to Worship

Psalm 98:1-3

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. ²The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. ³He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

† Invocation & Lord's Prayer

Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

† Hymn of Praise

(TH #16)

"Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord"
(verses 1-2, 5-7)

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak, and useless when we could be useful. Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

† Hymn of Assurance

#476 (TH #691)

"It Is Well With My Soul"

† **Confession of Faith**

Westminster Confession of Faith Ch. 13, Section 1 Of Sanctification

They, who are once effectually called, and regenerated, having a new heart, and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by His Word and Spirit dwelling in them:

the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified; and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

1 John 2:28-3:3

²⁸ And now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears we may have confidence and not shrink from Him in shame at His coming. ²⁹ If you know that He is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of Him. ¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him.

² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

“Abiding as Children of God”

Worship with Tithes & Offerings

Memphis IPC Youth Choir

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

† **Doxology**

#571 (TH #735)

“Gloria Patri”

† Prayer of Dedication

† **Closing Hymn**

#390 (TH #324)

“Christ is Coming”

† Benediction

SERMON OUTLINE
April 23, 2023
10:30 a.m.

1 John 2:28-3:3
“Abiding as Children of God”

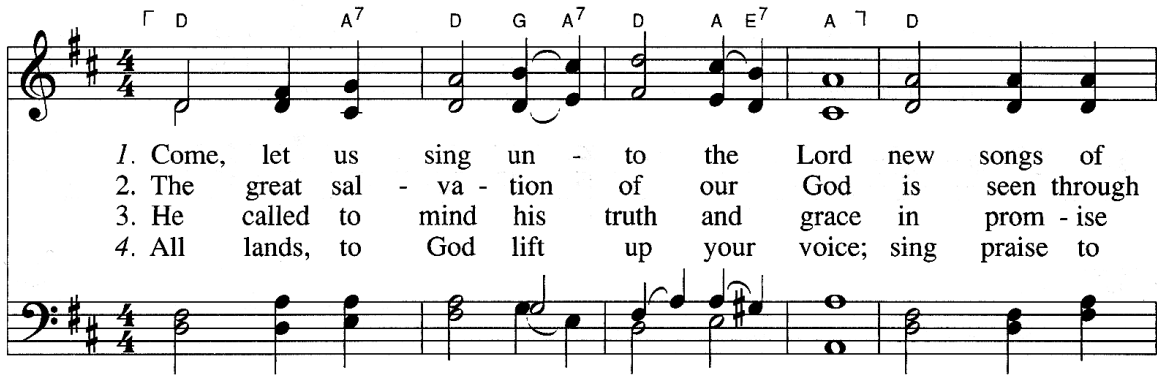
Introduction

- I. The Reason for Abiding (v. 2:28)
- II. The Result of Abiding (v. 2:29)
- III. The Rejection of the World (v. 3:1)
- IV. Our Radical Transformation at His Coming (v. 3:2-3)

Conclusion

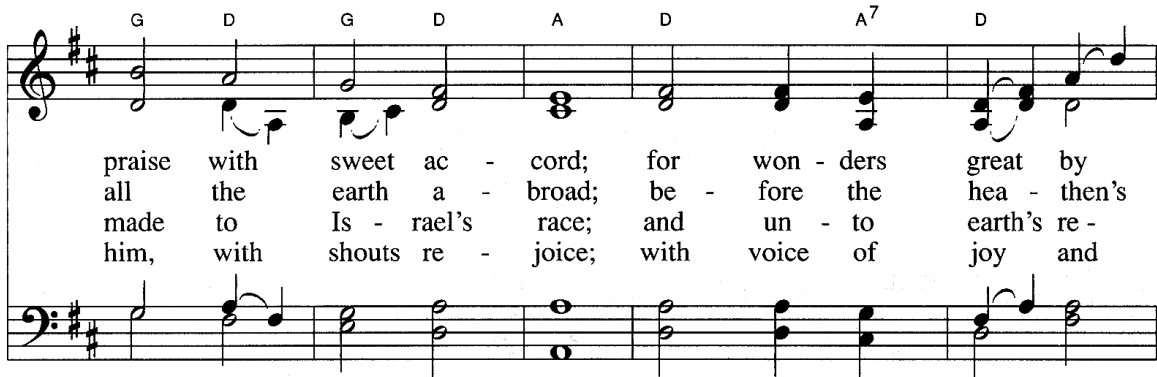
Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord

Chords: F D A7 D G A7 D A E7 A 7 D



1. Come, let us sing un - to the Lord new songs of
 2. The great sal - va - tion of our God is seen through
 3. He called to mind his truth and grace in prom - ise
 4. All lands, to God lift up your voice; sing praise to

Chords: G D G D A D A7 D



praise with sweet ac - cord; for won - ders great by
 all the earth a - broad; be - fore the hea - then's
 made to Is - rael's race; and un - to earth's re -
 him, with shouts re - joice; with voice of joy and

Chords: G A7 D A F D G A7 D Em D A7 D 7



him are done, his hand and arm have vic - t'ry won.
 won - d'ring sight he has re - vealed his truth and right.
 mot - est bound glad tid - ings of sal - va - tion sound.
 loud ac - claim let all u - nite and praise his name.

5. Praise God with harp, with harp sing praise,
 with voice of psalms his glory raise;
 with trumpets, cornets, gladly sing
 and shout before the Lord, the King.
6. Let earth be glad, let billows roar
 and all that dwell from shore to shore;
 let floods clap hands with one accord,
 let hills rejoice before the Lord.
7. For lo, he comes; at his command
 all nations shall in judgment stand;
 in justice robed and throned in light,
 the Lord shall judge, dispensing right.



When Peace, Like a River



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3. My sin—O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
4. O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled



sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
back as a scroll; the trump shall re - sound, and the Lord shall de - scend;



Refrain



“It is well, it is well with my soul.”
and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
“E - ven so”—it is well with my soul.



with my soul;
with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.



Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of musical notation for 'Gloria Patri' is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the' are written below the notes.

Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics 'Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is' are written below the notes.

now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. The lyrics 'now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.' are written below the notes.

2nd cent; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (MEINEKE) Irreg.
Charles Meineke, 1844

Christ Is Coming!



1. Christ is com-ing! Let cre - a - tion from her groans and tra - vail cease;
 2. Earth can now but tell the sto - ry of thy bit - ter cross and pain;
 3. Long thine ex - iles have been pin - ing, far from rest, and home, and thee:
 4. With that bless-ed hope be - fore us, let no harp re - main un-strung;



let the glo - rious proc - la - ma - tion hope re - store and faith in-crease:
 she shall yet be - hold thy glo - ry, when thou com - est back to reign:
 but, in heav'n - ly ves - tures shin - ing, they their lov - ing Lord shall see:
 let the might - y ad - vent cho - rus on - ward roll from tongue to tongue:



Christ is com - ing! Christ is com - ing! Come, thou bless - ed Prince of Peace.
 Christ is com - ing! Christ is com - ing! Let each heart re - peat the strain.
 Christ is com - ing! Christ is com - ing! Haste the joy - ous ju - bi - lee.
 "Christ is com - ing! Christ is com - ing! Come, Lord Je - sus, quick - ly come!"

John Ross Macduff, 1853

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 Joachim Neander, 1680; alt. 1990