

Sermon Title: What Jesus Really Wants

Welcome to Hope Presbyterian Church. We are glad you have joined us for worship. Jim Anderson and Mark Zollinhofer are co-leading worship and Tom Breeden is preaching.

*We welcome children of all ages in our worship service!*

**GATHERING SONG | All Creatures of Our God and King**

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice. (*Chorus*)

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP | from Psalm 29**

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings,

All: **Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.**

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

All: **Worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness.**

Leader: Let us join our voices with all creation to worship the Lord!

## SONG OF ADORATION | All Creatures of Our God and King

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for our Lord to hear.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,  
That givest us both warmth and light.

*O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in one, (*Chorus*)

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

### ADORATION SONG | Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia, sing to Jesus,  
His the scepter, His the throne.  
Alleluia, His the triumph,  
His the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood.  
Jesus, out of every nation,  
Hath redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us,  
Faith believes, nor questions how;  
Though the cloud from sight received Him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget His promise,  
"I am with you evermore."

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners,  
Jesus, lover of my soul.  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,  
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Alleluia, what a Savior,  
Alleluia, what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,  
He is with me to the end.

### OLD TESTAMENT READING | Deuteronomy 6:4-9

<sup>4</sup> "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION | from the General Confession

All: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and done those things which we ought not to have done. There is no health in us. Have mercy upon us, Lord! (*Silent Confession...*)

### CONFESSION SONG | Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Just and holy is Thy name,  
I am all unrighteousness.  
False and full of sin I am,  
Thou art full of truth and grace.

### COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL | from Psalm 30

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what can wash away our sins?

All: Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Leader: We are brothers and sisters through His blood.

All: We have died together, we will rise together, we will live together.  
(*the people rise in body or in spirit*)

Leader: LORD, my God, I called to You for help,

All: And You healed me!

Leader: Remember the good news of Epiphany! Christ, the light of the world,  
has illumined our hearts.

All: In Christ we are children of light, children of the day. We are not of  
the night or of the darkness.

## GREETING OF PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

## SONG OF THANKSGIVING | Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1) Jesus, lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly;  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,  
Until life's storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide,  
Receive my soul at last.

2) Other refuge have I none,  
I, helpless, hang on Thee;  
Leave, oh leave me not alone,  
Still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on Thee is stayed,  
All help from Thee I bring.  
Cover my defenseless head  
In the shadow of Thy wing.

3) Plenteous grace with Thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound,  
Make and keep me pure within:  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart,  
For all eternity.

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

Leader: Lord, you were born in a simple stable and received gifts from the  
Magi.

All: Please accept our gifts, our time, our money, our commitment - our  
very selves. Amen!

## FAMILY TIME

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Concluding with:*

**All:** Lord Jesus Christ, You stretched out Your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of Your saving embrace. So clothe us in Your spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know You to the knowledge and love of You; for the honor of Your name. Amen.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING | Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. <sup>39</sup> And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to His teaching. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to Him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup> but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God!

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION | Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.

Open the eyes of my heart,

I want to see You,

I want to see You.

## SERMON | What Jesus Really Wants

AMEN

*A-A- A men! A- A- A men! A- A men! A-men. Amen!*

## SONG OF RESPONSE | By Thy Mercy

Jesus, Lord of life and glory,  
Bend from heav'n Thy gracious ear;  
While our waiting souls adore Thee,  
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

*By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord,  
By Thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord,  
Good Lord.*

From the depth of nature's blindness,  
From the hard'ning pow'r of sin,  
From all malice and unkindness,  
From the pride that lurks within: (*Chorus*)

When temptation sorely presses,  
In the day of Satan's pow'r,  
In our times of deep distresses,  
In each dark and trying hour: (*Chorus*)

In the solemn hour of dying,  
In the awe-full Judgement Day,  
May our souls, on Thee relying,  
Find Thee still our rock and stay: (*Chorus*)

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*Communion is the family meal of Christians. The Lord Jesus invites all those who are His committed followers to commune with Him at His table: those who trust in Him, who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, who are willing to forsake their sin, being at peace with God and their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a follower of Jesus, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, please spend this time in silent prayer. We will be passing around the elements. Children who have been examined by the elders and admitted to the Lord's Table are able to partake of communion.*

## COMMUNION RESPONSE FOR EPIPHANY | The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
And born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body,

And the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

### SENDING SONG | To Christ the Lord

To Christ the Lord let ev'ry tongue,

Its noblest tribute bring;

When He's the subject of the song,

Who can refuse to sing?

Survey the beauties of His face,

And on His glories dwell,

Think of the wonder of His grace,

And all His triumphs tell.

Majestic sweetness sits enthroned,

Upon His awful brow;

His head with radiant glories crowned,

His lips with grace o'erflow;

No mortal can with Him compare,

Among the sons of men,

And fairer He than all the fair,

That fills the heav'nly train.

To Him I owe my life and breath

And all the joys I have;

He makes me triumph over death

And saves me from the grave;

To heav'n the place of His abode,

He brings my weary feet,

Shows me the glories of my God,

And makes my joy complete.

Since from His bounty I receive

Such proofs of love divine,

Had I a thousand hearts to give,  
Lord, they would all be Thine;  
A thousand men could not compose  
A worthy song to bring:  
Yet Your love is a melody  
Our hearts can't help but sing!

A thousand men could not compose  
A worthy song to bring:  
Yet Your love is a melody  
Our hearts can't help but sing!

## COMMISSIONING

Leader: All our problems

All: **We send to the cross of Christ!**

Leader: All our difficulties

All: **We send to the cross of Christ!**

Leader: All the devil's works

All: **We send to the cross of Christ!**

Leader: All our hopes

All: **We set on the risen Christ!**

## BENEDICTION

### SENDING | from Ephesians 5:8

Reader: At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.  
Walk as children of light.

All: **Let us go with the light of the gospel of Christ shining in our hearts,  
transforming our lives, and brightening our world.**

