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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel-
inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLLY BLACKMAN

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION - In case you missed it, the congregation unanimously voted to approve Tim Blumenstein as a deacon of the body at ECPC. We will hold his ordination and installation today immediately following the sermon.

SONG OF PRAISE

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

D. Crowder, W.H. Draper, B. Milligan

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him, 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 heaven along
O praise Him, Alleluia
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening find a voice
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
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
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O GREAT GOD
B. Kaufflin

O great God of highest heav'n occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war
You have loved and purchased me, make me yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice
Did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys
Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your word to me
Through the Gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n, glorify your name through me

RAISING BOYS & GIRLS - We strongly encourage you to mark your calendars for the "Raising Boys & Girls" parenting conference on November 19th and 20th hosted by Hope Community Church and led by David Thomas and Sissy Goff. For more information and to register, please see the Weekly Update email.

HOMELESS MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY - ECPC will be assisting Albemarle Rd Presbyterian Church as they host Room In The Inn, which provides food and overnight lodging for homeless individuals during the winter. ARPC will host approximately 15 people every Wednesday night from 12/8 - 3/31/22. ARPC has done this ministry for aprox. 20 years and it is well organized. Contact Jim Saunders for more information at 704-361-0973.

- UPCOMING EVENTS -

- NOV 17 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- NOV 17 YOUTH GROUP
- NOV 19 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- NOV 21 SUNDAY WORSHIP
- NOV 28 SUNDAY WORSHIP
- DEC 1 YOUTH GROUP
- DEC 2 WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS DESSERT
- DEC 3 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- DEC 5 SUNDAY WORSHIP
- DEC 8 YOUTH GROUP
- DEC 10 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- DEC 12 SUNDAY WORSHIP
- DEC 15 YOUTH GROUP
- DEC 17 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WHILE NURSERY FOR CHILDREN WALKING THROUGH AGE 3 IS AVAILABLE, WE HAVE ALSO MADE A SPACE IN THE MODULE WITH COUCHES AND A LIVESTREAM OF THE SERVICE. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THIS SPACE AS NEEDED.

ORDINATION & INSTALLMENT OF TIM BLUMENSTEIN

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF RESPONSE

JESUS PAID IT ALL
A. Nifong | E.M. Hall | J.T. Grape

And I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all

chorus

*'Cause Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow*

Lord now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

CONFESSION OF SIN

MIKE SCHNEE

Jesus, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Jesus, have mercy on us and make us whole. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PSALM 71:1-6

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

HEAL US, EMMANUEL
K. Twit | W. Cowper

(chorus)
Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are
We long to feel Thy touch
Deep wounded souls, to Thee we fly
O Savior hear our cry

Our faith is feeble, we confess
We faintly trust Thy word;
But will You pity us the less?
Be that far from You Lord!

Remember him who once applied
With trembling for relief;
"Lord, I believe," with tears he cried;
"O help my unbelief!"

She, too, who touched you in the press
And healing virtue stole,
Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace;
Thy faith has made thee whole."

Like her, with hopes and fears we come
To touch You if we may;
O send us not despairing home;
Send none unhealed away.

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING, WE ARE SO HAPPY THAT YOU ARE HERE AND WOULD LOVE TO GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER! PLEASE CONSIDER FILLING OUT A VISITOR'S CARD FOUND ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE AND PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR GIVE TO TYLER OR ONE OF OUR OTHER OFFICERS. THANK YOU!

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

The sands of time are sinking / The dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for / The fair, sweet morn awakes.
Dark, dark had been the midnight / But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth / In Emmanuel's land.

The king there in His beauty / Without a veil is seen;
It were a well-spent journey / Though seven deaths lay between.
The Lamb with His fair army / Doth on Mount Zion stand,
And glory, glory dwelleth / in Emmanuel's land.

O Christ, He is the fountain / The deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted / More deep I'll drink above.
There to an ocean fullness / His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth / In Emmanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment / But her dear Bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory / But on my King of grace.
Not at the crown He giveth / But on His pierced hand;
The Lamb is all the glory / Of Emmanuel's land.

O I am my Beloved's / And my Beloved is mine!
He brings a poor vile sinner / Into His house of wine.
I stand upon His merit / I know no other stand,
Not e'en where glory dwelleth / In Emmanuel's land.

THE DOXOLOGY

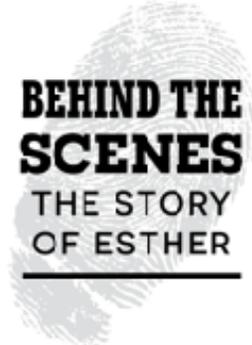
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE SANDS OF TIME ARE SINKING

A. R. Cousin | P. Palmertree

MIKE SCHNEE



BEHIND THE SCENES THE STORY OF ESTHER

PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“UNCONVENTIONAL” ESTHER 6:1-13

I. THE SETTING

II. THE SPECIFICS

III. THE SIGNPOSTS

- REFLECTION QUESTION -

- 1) If you permit Jesus to define “orthodoxy”, what are 7 ways orthodoxy is radically unorthodox?
- 2) What’s been your personal experience with God’s unconventionality?
- 3) How have you personally seen God bring help from extremely unexpected places?
- 4) In what specific (small and seemingly insignificant) stuff do you believe God is actually profoundly at work?
- 5) What are 3 shocking Old Testament signposts that point us to the promised Savior? (for example, considering Jonah’s wretched attitude at the end of the story that bears his name, would you ever guess that God would allow Jonah to serve as a signpost for something so important as the death and resurrection of the Redeemer?).