



**22 MARCH 2020** The twelfth Lord's Day of 2020

# **PILGRIM COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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TOGETHER FOR GOOD

## Why Christ's Ministry is Better

**SERMON TEXT** Hebrews 8:1–13

**PREACHER** Rev. James Bryner Chu

## ① OPENING WITH PRAISE

### PRELUDE

The Lord is in his holy temple  
The Lord is in his holy temple:  
Let all the earth keep silence,  
Let all the earth keep silence before him  
Keep silence, keep silence before him.

**TUNE** QUAM DILECTA

**METER** Irregular

### CALL TO WORSHIP / Psalm 96:8-12

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth! Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity." Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

### WELCOME

## CONGREGATIONAL SINGING / Psalm 100C

All earth, with joy, to the LORD come with loud voices ringing,  
 With gladness serve the LORD; come to Him joyfully singing.  
 The LORD is God,  
 Know that He made us His own.  
 We are the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, to His courts come praising.  
 To Him be thankful, and bless His name, your voices raising.  
 The LORD is good;  
 His lovingkindness endures,  
 His faithfulness lasts forever.

**TUNE** LOBE DEN HERREN *aka "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*  
**METER** 14.14.4.7.8

## ☪ CONFESSING OUR SINS

### SCRIPTURE READING / 1 John 1:8-9, 2:1

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness... 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. (ESV)

## **THE DECALOGUE**

You shall not have more gods than me  
Before no image bow the knee  
Take not the name of God in vain  
Nor dare the Sabbath to profane  
Give both your parents honor due  
Take heed that you no murder do  
Abstain from words and deeds unclean  
Nor steal though you are poor and mean  
Nor make a willful lie nor love it  
What is your neighbor's do not covet

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION**

Gracious God, we confess that we have longed too much for the comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver. In your mercy, help us to see that all the things we pine for are shadows, but you are substance; that they are quicksands, but you are mountain; that they are shifting, but you are anchor. We plead your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ. Accept his worthiness for our unworthiness, his sinlessness for our transgressions, his fullness for our emptiness, his glory for our shame, his righteousness for our dead works, his death for our life. We pray in Jesus's name. Amen.

**③ GIVING THANKS FOR GOD'S MERCIES****OFFERTORY & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**PASTORAL PRAYER****④ HEARING THE WORD****SCRIPTURE READING / Hebrews 8:1-13**

<sup>1</sup> Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, <sup>2</sup> a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. <sup>3</sup> For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer. <sup>4</sup> Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. <sup>5</sup> They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain." <sup>6</sup> But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. <sup>7</sup> For

if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second. **8** For he finds fault with them when he says: "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, **9** not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord. **10** For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. **11** And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. **12** For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more." **13** In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away. (ESV)



**SONG OF RESPONSE / I Will Glory In My Redeemer**

I will glory in my Redeemer  
Whose precious blood has ransomed me  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails  
And hung him on that judgement tree  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who crushed the power of sin and death  
My only Saviour before the Holy Judge  
The Lamb who is my righteousness  
The Lamb who is my righteousness

I will glory in my Redeemer  
My life he bought, my life he owns  
I have no longings for another  
I'm satisfied in him alone  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
His faithfulness, my standing place  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me  
My feet are firm held by his grace  
My feet are firm held by his grace

I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who carries me on eagle's wings  
He crowns my life with loving-kindness  
His triumph song I'll ever song  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who waits for me at gates of gold  
And when he calls me it will be paradise  
His face forever to behold  
His face forever to behold  
His face forever to behold

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## ⑥ CONFESSING OUR FAITH

### THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father, Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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 shall 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.

*\*catholic is an old-term which means "universal"*

**7 CLOSING WITH PRAISE****CONGREGATIONAL SINGING / It Is Well With My Soul****VERSE 1**

When peace like a river attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say  
It is well, it is well with my soul

**CHORUS**

*It is well with my soul  
It is well with my soul  
It is well, it is well with my soul*

**VERSE 2**

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate  
And has shed His own blood for my soul

**VERSE 3**

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought  
My sin, not in part, but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul

**VERSE 4**

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend  
Even so, it is well with my soul

## BENEDICTION

### DOXOLOGY / Psalm 72:18-19

Now blessed be the LORD our God,  
the God of Israel,  
For he alone doth wondrous works,  
in glory that excel

And blessed be his glorious name  
to all eternity:  
The whole earth let his glory fill.  
Amen, so let it be.

**TUNE** CRIMOND aka "The Lord's My Shepherd"

**METER** 8.6.8.6

## THE PILGRIM VISION

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communities where the Gospel shapes lives  
and missions together for the good of the city,  
the nation, and the world.*

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