

*Church of Christ, Congregational*  
*Sunday Worship, March 7, 2021 at 10:00am*

*We will be celebrating Holy Communion as part of the service. Before joining the zoom service you will need to have ready something to eat and something to drink. The elements can be whatever you have in your house, you do not have to go out and get something special. You simply need something solid and something liquid. Jesus happened to use bread and wine.*

*Join Worship*

**Click to join Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87562091923?pwd=MVpJT21NelpRck9wM1UyaUtBalZsZz09>

**Or, if using phone, dial:** 1-646-558-8656

**Meeting ID:** 875 6209 1923 **Password:** 02054

*Order of Worship*

**Prelude:** "Jesus Walked That Lonesome Valley"<sup>1</sup>

**Welcome (Psalm 19)**

**Hymn:** "Praise God"<sup>2</sup>

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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore.

**Unison Prayer (Psalm 19):**

**God, the law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; making wise the simple. Your precepts are right, rejoicing the heart. More to be desired than gold; sweeter also than honey. Moreover by these am I, your servant, warned; in keeping them is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep me back from insolence. Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Amen.**

**Assurance**

**Sung Response<sup>3</sup>:**

**Take O take me as I am. Summon out what I shall be.  
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

**Scripture:** Exodus 20:1-17; John 2:13-22

**Sermon:** Clearing Ground

### **Sung Response<sup>3</sup>:**

**We will take what you offer; we will live by your word.  
We will love one another and be led by you Lord.**

### **Offering Silence**

### **Prayer of Dedication**

### **Invitation to the Table**

**Sharing**

**Community Prayer**

**Institution**

**Sharing the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

### **Hymn: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"<sup>4</sup>**

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' love and righteousness;  
I dare not trust this earthly frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

### **Refrain**

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.**

When shadows veil my Savior's face, I rest upon unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

### **Refrain**

Christ's oath and covenant and blood support me in the rising flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, Christ then is all my hope and stay.

### **Refrain**

When Christ shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in Love be found,  
Dressed in God's righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

### **Refrain**

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude: "Mighty to Save with Jesus Saves"<sup>5</sup>**

### **Announcements**

### **Fellowship**

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<sup>5</sup>"Mighty to Save with Jesus Saves" Morgan, MacDonald. Arr. Smith, Fielding. E. Butler and Kjrpatrick ©2006 Hillsong and Lorenz Publication ©2000 Lorenz Publishing Corporation