

RIDGE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



EPIPHANY SUNDAY

JANUARY 9, 2022

“What are you doing, O Magi? Do you adore a little Babe, in a wretched hovel, wrapped in miserable rags? Can this Child be truly God? ... Are you become foolish, O Wise Men ... Yes, these Wise Men have become fools that they may be wise.”

-Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Happenings!

A few things to be aware of

Guest Preacher/Missions Sunday: Jan.23—Look forward to an early Missions Sunday this year! Anthony English (serving currently as the West Coast Assistant Director of Mission to the World) will bring a message and challenge us to think about engaging in mission as a local church. Opportunities to connect and follow up with Anthony will take place after both our worship services. Listen up for additional details in the service!

Children's Ministry Happs!—Karey is back! Yay!!! With the start of a new year the Lord is continuing to bless our church with littles of all ages. Amen!! Please consider serving your church family this year by joining the children's ministry volunteer team! There are many neat/sweet ways to plug-in. Scan the QR code to see all the exciting possibilities, or contact Karey directly: kareydavenport@yahoo.com



Vespers V: Monday, Jan. 31—Hungry for an extended time of worship through music and praise? Join the Vespers worship crew on Monday evening, 7:30pm, at the Patrich home (409 Southbury Lane, Chico). This will be an extended time of singing and seeking the Lord's face together in praise. All are welcome.

Small Group Highlights:

- + Women's Study: Wed. Mornings at 9:30am. This group will start again on Jan. 19th, walking through the gospel of Luke, meeting at various homes. Childcare may be a possibility if needed. Contact Angie Laws for additional details: 314.302.5497.
- + Theology & Praise: Tues. Mornings at 6:30am. Join this continuing men's study that meets at the church office. We read and discuss short chapters in J.I. Packer's book "Concise Theology" and sing a hymn to close our time. We aim to close by 7:30am. Good theology should propel our hearts into doxology! Contact Pastor Bryan for more: bdavidlaws@gmail.com. 916.899.0790.

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Scriptures & Readings

For January 9, 2022

Call to Worship - Isaiah 66:1-2

“Thus says the LORD: ‘Heaven is my throne,
and the earth is my footstool;
what is the house that you would build for me,
and what is the place of my rest?
All these things my hand has made,
and so all these things came to be,
declares the LORD.
But this is the one to whom I will look:
he who is humble and contrite in spirit
and trembles at my word.’”

Prayers of Petition & Thanksgiving - Philippians 4:6

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.”

Praying Together...

Father in Heaven—For all You are, for all You've done, we lift You up!
We give you the thanks and the praise and the glory. Every good gift comes from you.

Hallelujah! Thank you Father for the freedom we have in Christ to flood your throne-room with thanksgivings, and also with petitions. Indeed our hearts are full.

So Father, we do that now. O Lord, receive our thanksgivings and hear our petitions as they rise to you now, from full hearts...

—Prayers of the People—

(Out-loud sentence prayers of thanksgiving and request to our Father)

+Think: personal things, church & local things, national/world happenings, etc.

Confession of Faith - Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A #1

Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?

A: **My only comfort in life and death is that I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him—Christ—by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

Preaching of God's Word - Psalm 66:16-20 [ESV]

Sermon Title: “Come and Hear”

Pastor Josh Lee

- 16 Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
17 I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.
18 If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
19 But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
20 Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

Notes/Reflections:

Benediction - Numbers 6:24-26

“The LORD bless you, keep you and shine upon you...”

Graves Into Gardens

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

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King Of My Heart

Let the King of my heart
Be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life
Oh He is my song

You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh

Let the King of my heart
Be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days
Oh He is my song

You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down
You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down
You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down
You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down

When the night is holding on to me
God is holding on
When the night is holding on to me
God is holding on

CCLI Song # 7046145 John Mark McMillan | Sarah McMillan

Blessed Assurance

(All My Attempts To Be Satisfied)

All my attempts to be satisfied
Were vain and empty
Until the moment You rescued me
And Your love filled me

My soul sings now my soul sings

What blessed assurance
I've found in You I've found in You
I won't be shaken I will not be moved
How steadfast Your strong hand
Is keeping me is keeping me
I won't be shaken I will not be moved
(O blessed assurance)

No other love that I've ever known
Compares to You God
No other love that I've ever found
Has done what You've done

Ever my anchor ever my strength
Ever my portion and all I need
Ever my healing ever my hope
Ever the truth that leads me home
That leads me home

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Wherever You Lead

I'm done trusting in what's sinking
These boats weren't built for me
I'm done drifting on the water of insecurity
In the noise and the distractions
In the storms of arguing
I hear Your voice calling

(And)(Oh) I'm gonna fix my eyes on Jesus
Walking with the One who walks on the sea
Oh I'm gonna give my life to follow
Speak to me and I'll go wherever You lead
(Wherever You lead)

I'm done worshipping an image
Of what only looks like me
Surrounding You with limits of what my eyes can see
God would You forgive me restore the mystery
I hear Your voice calling calling

Wherever You go wherever You lead
That's where I'll go that's where I'll be
The moment You call the second You speak
That's when I'll go step out and believe

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We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom