Welcome to Crestholme Presbyterian Church 2nd Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022

At the *, please stand, if you are able

Large Print Hymnals and Bibles, and Hearing Assist Devices, are available

Gather for Worship

PRELUDE:

"The Lord is My Shepherd" https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=ixLatlr 7Gw

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BELLS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "The God of Abraham Praise" Choir https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvTqzJ2nZGo

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation. Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked. You are God my stronghold. Why have you rejected me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy? **All:** Send me your light and your faithful care, let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell.

LEADER: Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight. I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

All: Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. (Ps. 43, NIV)

OPENING PRAYER

O Jesus, King of All Nations, we recognized you for who you are here on the earth today! You O King are the victor over sin and death. You died to sin once and for all and now live to God forevermore. We worship you. Amen.

* OPENING HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" Red Hymnal #8 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgzRB4gEPf4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, at times you feel so far away, and we doubt you are with us. Fear rears its ugly head and we run away from your presence. Anger soon follows and we curse the day we were born. Resentment floods our thought with the wrong done unto us and we seek revenge. Father, we repent of all our foolish ways and weakness, forgive us. Allow us to stand firm in you love and faith knowing that you ARE good and faithful. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Beloved, hear the Good News, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen!

* GLORIA PATRI

Blue Hymnal #579

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-ZS4jUy2Dc

* SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: Peace be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: As God's forgiven people, share the peace of Christ with each other (from your seat please).

CHILDREN'S TIME

God Of All Nations

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=Blobvzk7aig

Hear the Word of God

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

O Lord you are the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. You will not grow tired or weary, and your understanding no one can fathom. You give strength to the weary and you increase the power of the weak. Lord, even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in you Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Come, King of all nations, for your people wait expectantly upon you. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Kings+19%3A1-4%2C+8-15&version=NIV

PSALM READING

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+42&version=NIV

CHORAL ANTHEM "How Happy Is Each Child of God"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=awv hVHHttQ

NEW TESTAMENT READING

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+3%3A23-29&version=NIV **GOSPEL READING** Luke 8:26-39

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+8%3A26-39&version=NIV

Galatians 3:23-29

Choir

Psalm 42

1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15

SERMON "Melek Ha-Goyim, King of the Nations" Elder, Fred Archer Jeremiah 10:6-7 Written by Dr. Carlos Baladez

"No one is like you, Lord; you are great, and your name is mighty in power. Who should not fear you, King of the nations? This is your due. Among all the wise leaders of the nations and in all their kingdoms, there is no one like you." (NIV)

In Genesis we see Elohim, a singular name with a plural ending speaking of mystery and wonder right from the beginning. Why a plural ending on a singular name? God is not explained nor understood. But God is experienced, directly, indirectly, and personally.

About 2,000 years later we have Abraham on the scene. God calls a pagan gentile man to become the head of a new nation, Israel. 400 years later we see Moses appear and God makes a conditional covenant with Israel the nation. "If you will" ... "I will..." A conditional covenant is just that, conditional. Keeping it brings about blessings while breaking it brings curses and punishment. For nearly 1,000 years, from the time of Moses to the time of Jeremiah, God patiently waits for his people to be faithful to the covenant.

Jeremiah warns his people, threatens them, and even tries to persuade them to keep the covenant but to no avail.

It is in this context the name of God is revealed, Melek Ha-Goyim, King of the Nations.

Jeremiah warns his people, the Israelites, of coming punishments, torments, sufferings, and death. Jeremiah confronts the people of God with the one truth, God is not only the God over Isreal he is also God of all other nations.

God can and will bring one nation to punish another, in this case, Babylon to punish Israel for her unfaithfulness.

This both brings fear and comfort to God's people it means Melek-Ha-Goyim is King, Ruler, and Master over all the nations. It also means God cares for all of the nations of the earth. All nations are under His rule and no other. One nation can only do to another nation what God allows and no more.

In our verse for today Jeremiah tells us that there is no one like Melek-Ha-Goyim, the Lord Yahweh is great and Yahweh's name is great and mighty. Yahweh alone is to be feared, respected, and awed, for Yahweh is none other than Melek-Ha-Goyim, King of the nations.

This very same God who makes a conditional covenant with Israel makes a new covenant in the future which is unconditional, where keeping the covenant solely depends upon God. This new covenant is found in Jesus Christ. It is He who took the punishment for all covenant breakers, and now God is "free" to deal with his creation solely on the basis of who God is; LOVE, LIGHT, SPIRIT, and CONSUMING FIRE.

We, therefore, look forward to Jesus Christ ruling over all the nations under the covenant of love, and eternal life, by faith and in grace. With all sins forgiven, we now have peace with God and he is free to form Christ in us who is our hope of glory. God has done this, is doing this, and will do this for all nations, for Yahweh is God over all the nations. He, through the finished work of Christ on the cross accomplished it all. It is finished! Hallelujah, Amen.

To God be the Glory!

* HYMN "Take Time to Be Holy" Red Hymnal #656 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rFApbg-wcmE

Respond in Love and Service

* This we believe

The Lord is our shepherd, we lack nothing. He makes us lie down in green pastures, he leads us beside quiet waters, he refreshes our souls. He guides us along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though we walk through the darkest valley, we will fear no evil, for you are with us; your rod and your staff, they comfort us. You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies. You anoint our heads with oil; our cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow us all the days of our lives, and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen. (Adapted from Ps. 23, NIV)

PRAYERS AND HYMN OF INTERCESSION

Lift up your prayers unto the Lord. He awaits to hear from you. Amen.

*HYMN FOR OUR NATION "Heal Our Land" Red Hymnal #800 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTm_rA54EGw

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Choral Amen

Choir

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please, continue to support the life and work of Crestholme. You can mail your tithes, pledges, and offerings to...

CPC PO Box 23919. SA TX 78223-0901

Or you can save them and gather them until we meet again. Thank you!

* DOXOLOGY

Blue Hymnal # 592

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uyg6-htOtHU

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Bountiful Lord, by your strength, your blessings, and your grace we are able to earn a living. We recognize the gifts we bring to you today as having their source in you. Accept them as a love offering from us to you. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers" Red Hymnal #404 https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=7EVPVS9EGeO

*** BENEDICTION**

Blessed are all who fear the LORD, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the LORD. May the LORD bless you from Zion; may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you live to see your children—peace be on Israel. Go in the Peace of the Lord. Amen.

* **POSTLUDE**

The End of this Worship Meeting — The Beginning of Service

Next Sunday, Elder, Fred Archer will continue with our sermon series, "Knowing God by Name."

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| TBD | TBD | Food Panti |
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| Sunday | 10:00 AM | Sunday Schoo |
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