



MITCHELL ROAD  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

WELCOMING THE SOJOURNER



The Lord's Day—June 17, 2018

8:45 am

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8:45 am	Worship Service in Sanctuary
10:00 am	Worship Service in Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Sunday School Communities
11:15 am	Worship Service in Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Evensong in Sanctuary

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**T**oday we begin our yearly theme of welcoming the sojourner among us. As we study this topic for the next two weeks and provide the congregation with resources and opportunities through the year, it is our hope that we would continue to grow in being a welcoming, hospitable church. As we welcome the tired and weary, we realize that God has welcomed us. He has brought us to his table and right now is preparing a place for us. Let's worship together—we are glad you are here.

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### Worship In Spirit and Truth

Prelude

*The prelude is a gift from our musicians — a bridge from our busy lives to entering this hour of worship. Feel free to share and receive the grace and peace of Christ during this time, or to quiet your heart as needed.*

\*Call to Worship

*from Psalm 24*

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,  
the world and those who dwell therein,

**He has founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
who does not lift up his soul to what is false  
and does not swear deceitfully.**

He will receive blessing from the Lord  
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

**Such is the generation of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

Lift up your heads, O gates!

**Be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord, mighty in battle!**

Lift up your heads, O gates!

**Lift them up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!**

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

*Parents, please escort underage children leaving the service.*

\*Songs of Praise

Hymnal, 198

<sup>1</sup> **Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!** Behold, the King of glory waits;  
The King of kings is drawing near, the Saviour of the world is here.

<sup>5</sup> Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!  
Let me thy inner presence feel; Thy grace and love in me reveal.

<sup>6</sup> So come, my Sovereign, enter in! Let new and nobler life begin!  
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Song of Praise

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,  
For God, the Just, is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me,  
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless, Righteousness:  
The Great unchangeable I AM, the King of Glory and of Grace.  
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood,  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.

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Song of Reflection

*Is He Worthy*

Peterson

Call to Mercy and Forgiveness

Luke 6:35-38

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Hymn of Mercy

Hymnal, 486

<sup>1</sup> God be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
Wash me make me pure within, cleanse O cleanse me from my sin.  
  
<sup>5</sup> Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;  
Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Words of Grace and Peace

John 14:26-27

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Community Life

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Come Home*

Craig Courtney

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;  
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.  
  
*Come home, come home, you who are weary come home.*

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies, mercies for you and for me.

O for the wonderful love He has promised, promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

*During this  
song,  
K4/K5 may  
leave for  
Children's  
Church.*

## Hearing God's Word

### Scripture Reading

New Testament Reading

Luke 10:25-37 (Pew Bible, page 1104)

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 10:12-22 (Pew Bible, page 196)

### Congregation's Response

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon

*Welcoming the Sojourner, Part I*

Jack Beall

## Responding to God

### \*Parting Hymn

Hymnal, 500

<sup>1</sup> Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

<sup>2</sup> Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears for ever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

<sup>4</sup> While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

### \*Benediction

### Postlude

#### Assisting in Worship Today:

JACK BEALL, Engaging the World Pastor

NEEL SKELTON, Relational Ministries Director

DAN FORREST, Artist in Residence

JASON YON, Choral Director and Local Ministry Liaison

## Vacation Bible School—Registration Now Open!

July 9-12, 9:00 am -noon

2018 VBS invites your kids to grab their megaphones, lace up their cleats, and tune up their instruments. As they fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drumline, your players, cheerleaders, and band members will realize God has given them His ultimate playbook. He wants them to join His team, train hard, celebrate salvation, and encourage one another. Registration is required for this event by June 25 at [mitchellroad.org/event-registration](http://mitchellroad.org/event-registration) for ages K4 -4th completed. Questions? Contact Ashley Adams: [aadams@mitchellroad.org](mailto:aadams@mitchellroad.org)



Want to have as much fun  
as these people?



Sign up to serve at VBS by emailing  
Frances Lightcap at  
[flightcap@mitchellroad.org](mailto:flightcap@mitchellroad.org).



### Get Connected: Community & Journey Group Q & A

How do Community and Journey Groups give us a place to belong, grow and serve within the larger congregation of Mitchell Road? Come and get your questions answered about attending, facilitating or hosting a community or journey group this fall. Join Neel Skelton and Sarah Warren next Sunday, June 24 at 10:00 am in the Pastoral Meeting Room.

### English as a Second Language— Ministry needs

We have need for teachers and assistants. There is no requirement to know a foreign language. Our curriculum provides great lesson plans to assist teachers with the classroom planning. We have a very diverse group of languages represented: Spanish, Turkish, Japanese, Egyptian, French and more. It's a great way to meet new people and be a part of their lives—which is a great way to do missions! For information, please contact Marty Harrison at 275-7416. (Please leave a voice mail if there is no answer).



### Greenville Fellows— Host Families Needed

While you and your friends are dreaming of summer fun, the Board of the Greenville Fellows is dreaming of HOST FAMILIES!!! We are looking to have a full class of Fellows this coming year and we need loving Mitchell Road families to shelter them. Can you spare a room in your house? Maybe a shelf in your pantry? Be hospitable—share your home!

Please contact Katherine Hultstrand ([hultstrandc@bellsouth.net](mailto:hultstrandc@bellsouth.net)) or Cari Hicks ([cari@greenvillefellows.org](mailto:cari@greenvillefellows.org)) to sign up or ask questions. For more information, please visit our website to learn more about us at [greenvillefellows.org](http://greenvillefellows.org).

### Mentor Moms

Mentor Moms registration for fall is open until July 1!

You can register online at [mitchellroad.org/event-registration](http://mitchellroad.org/event-registration).

## Weekly Opportunities for Discipleship

We believe that discipleship is  
experiencing Jesus' love for me in community,  
loving Jesus with all of me, and  
growing in this truth so that I might share him with others.

We invite you to find an opportunity for discipleship today!

*Please visit [mitchellroad.org](http://mitchellroad.org) for a calendar of current schedules.*

### Community

**Community Groups:** Sunday evenings in homes around Greenville. To find a group email [gshelfield@mitchellroad.org](mailto:gshelfield@mitchellroad.org).

**Sunday School classes:** For a list of classes stop by the Welcome Center or visit [www.mitchellroad.org/adult-classes](http://www.mitchellroad.org/adult-classes).

**Evensong:** Sunday evenings in the Sanctuary.

### Children

**Nursery:** During worship services and Sunday School for birth— K3.

**Children's Church (K4-K5):** Children are dismissed during the worship services for a child-friendly time of songs, games, and a Bible lesson.

**Sunday School:** Classes for K4—grade 4.

### Youth

**Sunday School:** Classes for grades 5-12

**Senior High Night:** Sunday evenings in the Youth Center

**Tuesday Morning Prayer:** Tuesday in the Youth Center

**Junior High Night:** Wednesday evenings in the Youth Center

### Other Discipleship Opportunities:

**Journey Groups for Men:** These small groups meet throughout the week. Email [gshelfield@mitchellroad.org](mailto:gshelfield@mitchellroad.org).

**Mentor Moms:** Weekly group meeting for moms. Email [swarren@mitchellroad.org](mailto:swarren@mitchellroad.org).

**Women's Bible Studies:** Wednesday mornings or Wednesday evenings. Contact [swarren@mitchellroad.org](mailto:swarren@mitchellroad.org).

## Connect with us...

**I want to receive more information about  
Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church!**

Check all that apply:

- I am new to church
- I am new to MRPC
- I am a regular attender of MRPC
- I am a visitor from the Greenville area
- I am a visitor from outside the area

If you would like to join one of our mailing lists, or if you would like to update your information, please fill out the following information.

**Name:**

DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Email:**

**Spouse:**

DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Spouse's Email:**

**Children:**

**Mailing Address:**

**Preferred Phone:**

**I would like to receive more information about:**

- Learning about Christianity
- Joining a Community Group
- Becoming a Church Member
- Serving on Sunday Mornings
- Women's/ Men's Ministry
- Mitchell Road Christian Academy

**Please add me to the following Email Mailing Lists:**

- This Week at Mitchell Road (weekly)
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- The Intercessor (weekly prayer letter)
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Young Adult Ministry

**Questions or Prayer requests**

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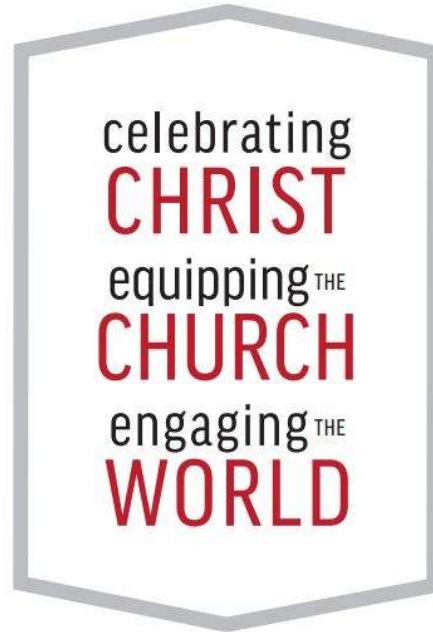
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*Please place in offering or return to the Welcome Center in the commons.*

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**Be "In The Know":**

- mitchellroad.org*** (main site)
- mitchellroadym.org*** (youth)
- mitchellroadcm.org*** (children)
- mitchellroadmissions.org*** (missions)
- mitchellroadchristian.org*** (Christian Academy)
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