

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Hymn No. 339

Be Thou My Vision

9:00 A.M. Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2012

"THE YEAR OF SEEKING GOD'S VISION"

THE PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Hill
Handbells

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathy Chessman

PRESENTATION OF 2012 BUDGET Greg Rollins

THE RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP
The congregation is encouraged to greet one another by saying: "The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you" and then respond "And also with you." Give special attention to those you do not know and extend a word of greeting.

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

THE CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: O Lord, we are here because of You! We gather in the name of Jesus Christ!
People: You have promised that wherever two or more are gathered in Your name, You are in our midst.
Leader: We trust that You are here, among us, to receive our gift of worship.
People: O Lord, we offer You our hearts as we come together, that united in Your Holy Spirit, we give You all that we have and all that we are in prayer and in praise!

THE HYMNS OF PRAISE *Shall We Gather at the River* Robert Lowry

<p>Verse 1 Shall we gather at the river Where bright angel feet have trod With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God</p> <p>Chorus Yes we'll gather at the river The beautiful the beautiful river Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God</p>	<p>Verse 2 On the margin of the river Washing up its silver spray We will walk and worship ever All the happy golden day</p> <p>Repeat Chorus</p> <p>Verse 3 Ere we reach the shining river Lay we every burden down Grace our spirits will deliver And provide a robe and crown</p>	<p>Repeat Chorus</p> <p>Verse 4 Soon we'll reach the shining river Soon our pilgrimage will cease Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace</p> <p>Repeat Chorus ©Public Domain</p>
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WE CONFESS OUR SINS

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION
O Lord, for some of us, confessing our sins to You feels redundant. You already know our sins, so what good does it do for us to put our wrongs into words? We know the answer. Confession places our minds in the right attitude toward You and toward one another. Confession humbles us, Lord. Confession causes us to reflect and consider the truth of what we have thought, said, and done. Confessing our wrongs helps us to consider the consequences of our actions and how we affect the lives of other people. Confessing our sins with sincerity reminds us of our deep need for You.

(Moments for silent confession) **Lord, we thank You that You choose to forgive us rather than condemn us. In Jesus Christ we have received salvation and new life. Amen.**

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON
Leader: The loving forgiveness of God has no greater expression than this: The Father gave up His Son to die for you and for me.
People: He who owed us nothing gave us everything. For all of us who cause so much suffering in the world, He experienced the ultimate suffering. Thank You, Lord!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE FIRST LESSON Matthew 10:38, 39 (Pg. 11)
Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM *Wherever You Go* Boersma/Lantz
(See Insert)

THE SECOND LESSON Philippians 2:3-11 (Pg. 197)
Minister: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet.
People: And a light unto my path.

THE SERMON *Looking Through the Window-Part 2* Rev. Philip West

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Trad.), pg. 14

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debtors)

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY

Holy Spirit Breath On Me

Smith/Nelson

THE DOXOLOGY

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

Old Hundredth

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE HYMN OF DEDICATION

Verse

I know He rescued my soul
His blood has covered my sin
I believe I believe
My shame He's taken away
My pain is healed in His name
I believe I believe
I'll raise a banner
'Cause my Lord has
conquered the grave

My Redeemer Lives

Chorus

My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer Lives

Repeat from beginning

You lift my burden
I'll rise with You
I'm dancing on this
mountaintop
To see Your kingdom come

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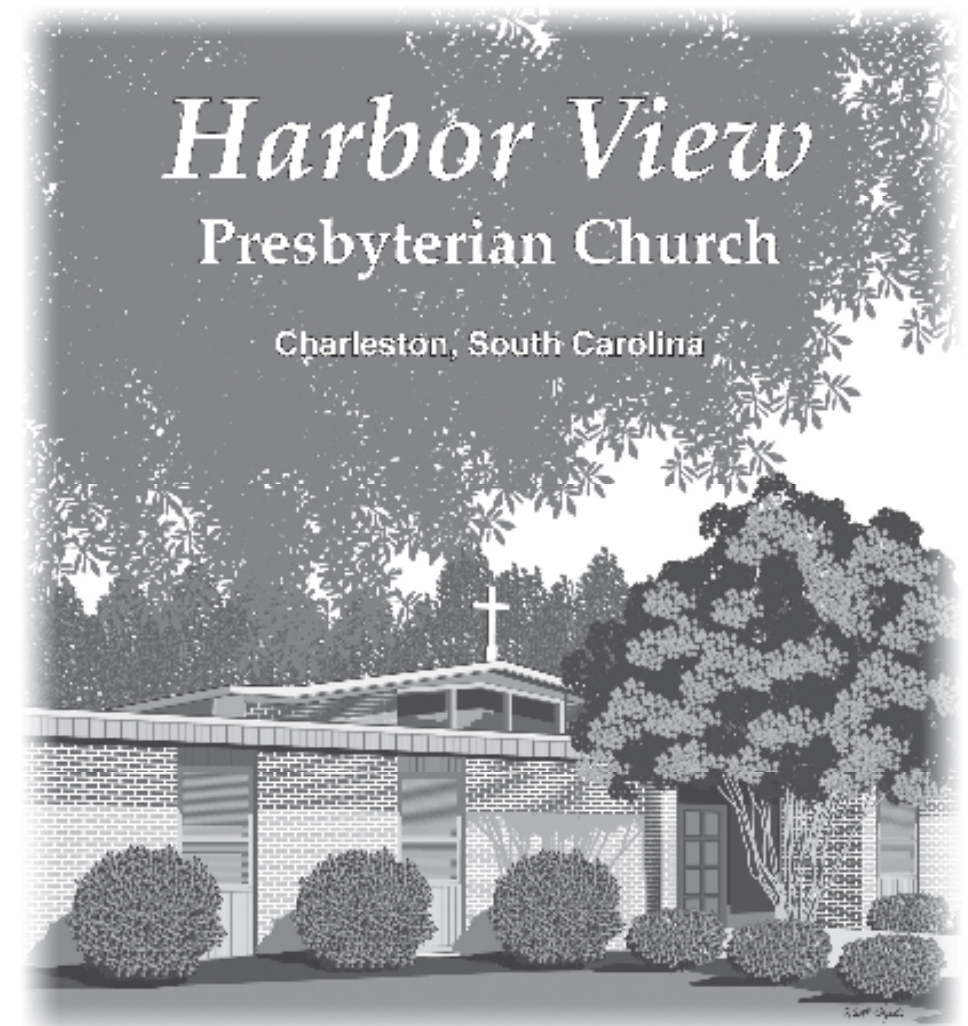
Repeat Chorus

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THE BENEDICTION

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Jeff, Laurel, Caroline & Camilla Hays

The yellow rose on the altar is in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of
Tom and Karen Lassiter, given by their children and grandchildren.



Come feel the warmth of God's family.

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