

WE WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS (Our mailing address is:
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WE THANK GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS" (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.

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD: Phil. 1:12; Eph. 2:8-9; Rom. 6:8; 1 Pt. 2:21-25

"The Shape of Life: part 1, Dying and Rising"

Pastor Michael Colvard

"BEFORE THE THRONE"

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great High Priest whose name is Love, whoever lives and pleads for me,
My name is graven on His hands; my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n 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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WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)



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Harbor's mission is to exist as a FAMILY of God's people to GLORIFY God in all things, by PREACHING the gospel of Jesus Christ crucified, EQUIPPING His saints, and ENGAGING our community and the world with the love of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Welcome visitors! To stay connected, go to harborchurch.org and sign up for our emails)

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: Psalm 145:8-21 (selections)

(Please Read Responsively)

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Lord is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.

My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.

WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US (PRAYER OF INVOCATION)

"TO GOD BE THE GLORY"

Trinity Hymnal #55

To God be the glory—great things He has done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the Life-gate that we may go in.

Chorus

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the Earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the son,
And give Him the glory—great things He has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To ev'ry believer the promise of God;

The vilest offender who truly believes,

That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *(Chorus)*

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,

And great our rejoicing through Jesus the son;

But purer and higher and greater will be,

Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *(Chorus)*

WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER

O Lord, our God, Help us and heal us. We are stubborn, blind people who **repeatedly and willfully stray away from you. Like children who don't want their** parents to hold their hands while walking through a dangerous city, we will not stay near you. In our blindness, even our ability to confess has been distorted. Some of us are emotionally unaffected by the fact that we are helpless sinners without your mercy, indifferent to the cost of our rebellion. We speak words of confession out of principle, out of duty, or out of habit, but rarely out of a deep awareness of our need and helpless state. Others of us are so undone by our habitual falls into sin that we can barely look up to you for help. Lost in the anxiety of our unbelief, we speak words of confession out of fear, out of desperation, out of hopelessness, but seldom out of confidence that you love us and have invited us into the blessedness of repentance and forgiveness.

*From *Prone to Wander*

WE CONFESS OUR SINS IN OUR HEARTS *(silently)*

GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN: Lamentations 3:21-24

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your **faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him."**

"I WILL WAIT FOR YOU (PSALM 130)"

Out of the depths I cry to You, In darkest places I will call. Incline Your ear to me anew, And hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways, How could I come before Your throne? Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze. I stand redeemed by grace alone.

Chorus:

I will wait for You. I will wait for you. On your word, I will rely. I will wait for you surely wait for You till my soul is satisfied.

So put your hope in God alone. Take courage in His power to save. Completely and forever won, By Christ emerging from the grave. *(Chorus)*

Now He has come to make a way, And God Himself has paid the price. That all who trust in Him today, Find healing in His sacrifice. *(Chorus)*

I will wait for You. I will wait for You. Through the storm and through the night, I will wait for you. Surely wait for You, For Your love is my delight!

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH TOGETHER

Heidelberg Catechism #60

Q. How are you righteous before God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I **have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of** them, and am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 1:21

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

"I'LL NOT BE SHAKEN"

For God alone I wait in silence. My soul is still before the Lord.
He is my rock and my salvation, my fortress strong; I trust in Him.

Chorus:

I'll not be shaken, I'll not be shaken

For all my hope is in His love.

From God alone comes my salvation;

I'll wait and trust His steadfast love.

Put not your hope I gain of riches; seek not your rest in empty wealth.

The rich are weak, the poor are mighty who turn to God alone for help. *(Chorus)*

Pour out your heart to God our refuge and trust in Him to hear you cry.

No other hope will never fail you, no other love will not run dry. *(Chorus)*

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WE READ FROM GOD'S WORD 2 Peter 2:21-25

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION

Michael Colvard