



Mint Hill Presbyterian Church

"...that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."

- 1 Peter 4:11

Preparing our hearts for worship...

**"Long my imprisoned spirit lay, Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee."**

~ Charles Wesley

November 23, 2025

**Sunday Morning Worship
November 23, 2025**

Preparing Our Hearts for

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside where justice and mercy embrace—there the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased.

(Chorus)

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes—Jesus, our glory and our prize—we adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

Turn your eyes to the morning and see Christ the lion awake—what a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins.

Turn your eyes to the heavens, our King will return for His own—every knee will bow, every tongue will shout
All glory to Jesus alone! (chorus)

Welcome and Announcements

Butch Bigham

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 71:14-16

Rev. Pedro Polloreña

"I will hope continually and will praise you yet more and more. My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge. With the mighty deeds of the LORD God I will come; I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone."

Invocation

***Opening Song of Praise**

Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done in whom His world rejoices.
Who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way, with countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us—with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us.
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given—the Son and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven!
The one eternal God whom earth and heav'n adore—for thus it was is now and shall be evermore!

***Confession of Sin**

Donn DeHart

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Psalm 103:1-5

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."

***Gloria Patri**

Henry Greatorex

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

** Please stand if you are able.*

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***Prayer of Dedication for Tithes and Offerings**

Butch Bigham

Worship Through Giving

Musical Offering

Thank You for Everything

Praise Team

(We invite you to listen and worship with us!)

***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.

Pastoral Prayer

Steve Smith

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.

New Testament Scripture

Romans 8:1-4

Rev. Jeff Morrison

Proclamation of the Word

"What God Did"

Rev. Jeff Morrison

***Song of Response**

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all—here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the World by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

***Benediction**

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If you would like to know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, we invite you to speak to the pastor or one of our elders after the worship service. If you are in need of prayer, please don't hesitate to speak with the pastor. We are happy to pray with you.

Announcements

Welcome to Mint Hill Presbyterian! As our guest, if you have any needs or questions, please feel free to ask, and we will be happy to help. We also invite you to fill out a guest card in the lobby and give it to one of the greeters at the back or drop it in the offering plate.

This morning Pastor Jeff brings us the Proclamation of the Word from the book of Romans. We look forward to the word the Lord has given him!

Sunday School: The Adult Sunday School Class led by Rev. Pedro Polloreña, continues the study of the book, *"The Mortification of Sin,"* by John Owen. We meet at 9:00 a.m. Please join us!

The WOC Bible Study group is now on break until the first of the year. More details will be forthcoming as to what scripture we will study when we resume in January. All women are welcome!

With the first Sunday of Advent being November 30, the Christmas Tree Committee (which consists of anyone who wants to help!) **will be putting up the Chrismon Tree on the Monday before Advent, November 24 at 10:00, Please come and join us!**

The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, December 6 at 8:00 a.m. All the men of the church are welcome! Come and be fed on the Word and a great breakfast!

Our next Meal and Movie night will be Saturday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. Our menu will be chili and Brunswick stew. Come out and be fed on the Word, good fellowship and good food!

The WOC Christmas gathering will be held at the home of Gloria Bigham on Sunday, December 14 immediately following worship. We will find out who our secret sisters are at that time. If you are not part of the secret sister program, please come! There will be a gift for everyone. Please bring a festive dish to share (*come anyway if you aren't prepared with a dish!*) and get ready for wonderful fellowship with your sisters!

A reminder that Pastor Jeff is available on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. If you need to see him, please let him know so he can schedule a time to meet with you. His phone number is 704-804-1921.

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and worshipping the Savior.*

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