

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SEBASTIAN



*If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray,
seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear
from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.
2 Chronicles 7:14*

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Welcome and Announcements:

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Call to Worship ¹

Introit

*Affirmation of Faith²

Apostles' Creed

*Hymn 640 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

SWEET HOUR LMD

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer;
That calls me from a world of care;
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known;
In seasons of distress and grief
My soul has often found relief
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness
Engage the waiting soul to bless:
And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His Word, and trust His grace.
I'll cast on Him my every care
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Invitation to Confession

Cornelia Mills

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Cornelia Mills

Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before Thee; Our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; And all our shortcomings and offences. Thou alone knowest how often we have sinned; In wandering from Thy ways; In wasting Thy gifts; In forgetting Thy love. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us; Who are ashamed and sorry for all

1. Please silence electronic devices

2. Catholic means universal, not the Catholic church

* Please stand if you are able.

wherein we have displeased Thee. Teach us to hate our errors; Cleanse us from our secret faults; And forgive our sins; For the sake of Thy dear son. And O most holy and loving Father; Help us, we beseech Thee; To live in Thy light and walk in Thy ways; According to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. (HENRY VAN DYKE; ALT.)

(Silence for Individual Confession)

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Sung Response:** #638 *I Need Thee Every Hour*

NEED

I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

Refrain:

*I need Thee, O I need Thee; Every hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.*

I need Thee every hour, Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r When Thou art nigh. (refrain)

I need Thee every hour, In joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain. (refrain)

I need Thee every hour, Most Holy One;
O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son! (refrain)

First Reading	I Kings 3:3-9	Kathy Landers
Choir Anthem	<i>Ancient Words</i>	Warner Green, vocalist
Scripture	John 17:20-24	Brian Banks
Sermon	<i>"About Prayer, Ways to Pray"</i>	Pastor Jeff Wood
Invitation to Offering and Offering		Joan Kraftchak
Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer		Joan Kraftchak
Ascription of Praise		Joan Kraftchak
	Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.	<i>Ephesians 3:20-23</i>

***Hymn 596** *I Surrender All*

SURRENDER

All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.

Refrain:

*I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Thee,
my blessed Savior, I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender, Humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken,
Take me, Jesus, take me now. (refrain)

All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
May Thy Holy Spirit fill me,
May I know Thy pow'r divine. (refrain)

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give my self to Thee.
Fill me with Thy love and power;
Let Thy blessing fall on me. (refrain)

Examen

Pastor Jeff Wood

***Charge**

Richard Grant

***Benediction**

Pastor Jeff Wood

Wherever you are, Christ has put you there.
There is something He wants to do through you there.
Wherever you go, Christ is sending you.
The indwelling Christ has something
He wants to do through you there.
Believe this and rely on His power,
His grace, and His love.

--Adapted from R. Halverson, former Chaplain of the Senate

***Response**

“Shalom”

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**