

**October 28, 2018**  
*A Service of Worship*

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HARVEST  
Presbyterian Church  
PCA

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*The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.  
Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest  
to send out laborers into his harvest.*

~ The Lord Jesus Christ  
*(Luke 10.2)*

HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*worship, nurture & service*

**Sunday Schedule**

Sunday School	9:30 am
Fellowship	10:15 am
Worship	10:45 am
Family Dinner	5:00 pm (1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday)

**Nursery Reminders**

**Oct 28**– *Sunday School*: Brian & Lara Liedstrand, Gavin Ehrhart  
*Worship Infants*: Bridget Dibella, Deborah Roush & Kaylee Davis  
*Worship Toddler*: Holly Plumb, Okhui Mun, Ruth Arensdorf & Noey Roush

**Nov 4**– *Sunday School*: Teresa Smith, Joy Thomsen & Thayne Ehrhart  
*Worship Infants*: Aubrey Maldonado, Anna Franklin & Eliana Ehrhart  
*Worship Toddler*: Matt & Katrina Schillings, Kristen Broussard & Joy Davis

*Volunteers need to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the service.*

*If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please arrange your own replacement and inform Savanna Hovies (540.903.4236).*

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*Preparing for Worship ...*

*Tell me, you who want to live under the law, do you know what the law actually says? The Scriptures say that Abraham had two sons, one from his slave wife and one from his freeborn wife. The son of the slave wife was born in a human attempt to bring about the fulfillment of God's promise. But the son of the freeborn wife was born as God's own fulfillment of his promise.*

*So, dear brothers and sisters, we are not children of the slave woman; we are children of the free woman. So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law.*

~ Galatians 4.21-23, 31 & 5.1  
(New Living Translation)

*The gospel is that we do not try to attain a righteousness that our abilities can develop. Rather, we are to receive a righteousness provided through the supernatural acts of God in history – the miraculous birth, sin-bearing death, and death-defeating resurrection of Christ. We need to rely on God – just as Abraham eventually learned that he needed the miraculous work of God to provide him with a son and heir. As Abraham needed to switch his faith from his own efforts to God's supernatural work, so these Galatian Christians need to look back to Christ's work, rather than at their own law-keeping efforts.*

*Pagan idolatry and biblical moralism are basically the same thing. The Galatians had been amoral liberals, and now they were about to become very moral conservatives. Paul is saying that these boiled down to the same spiritual slavery! Under circumcision, the Galatians will experience once again the anxiety, guilt and burdened life they knew before as pagans. They will never be sure that they are being good enough. Their lives will be as fear-based, proud and guilt-ridden as they were before; in fact, probably more so! They will fall into the touchiness, insecurity, pride, discouragement and weariness of people who are never sure that they have worth (i.e.: righteousness).*

~ Tim Keller  
(Galatians For You)

## *Welcome & Announcements*

### *Invocation*

#### *Call to Worship*

*from Revelation 1.4-7*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

**To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.**

Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.

**Even so. Amen.**

Beloved, let us worship God.

### *Songs of Praise*

#### **How Firm A Foundation**

*no. 94*

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

*(song continues on next page)*

When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

E'en down to old age all my people shall prove  
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
And when the white hairs shall their temples adorn,  
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

*Words: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787  
Music: Traditional American Melody*

### **Forever**

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King – his love endures forever.  
For he is good, he is above all things – his love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm – his love endures forever.  
For the life that has been reborn – his love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

*Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is with us. Forever.*

From the rising to the setting sun – his love endures forever.  
By the grace of God we will carry on – his love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

*Chris Tomlin, 2001*

**What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.**

Your Great Name

Lost are saved, find their way at the sound of your great name.  
All condemned feel no shame at the sound of your great name.  
Ev'ry fear has no place at the sound of your great name.  
The enemy he has to leave at the sound of your great name.

*Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us!  
The Son of God and man, you are high and lifted up  
And all the world will praise your great name.*

All the weak find their strength at the sound of your great name.  
Hungry souls receive grace at the sound of your great name.  
The fatherless find their rest at the sound of your great name.  
The sick are healed, the dead are raised at the sound of your great name.

*(chorus)*

*Redeemer, my Healer Lord Almighty.  
Defender, my Savior you are my King.*

*Krissy Nordhoff & Michael Neale, 2008*

The LORD said to Abraham, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

The LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did to Sarah as he had promised. And Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh over me." And she said, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

*Pastoral Prayer*

Tom Phillips, elder

*The Offering*

## *Preparing for the Word*

### Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.  
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of my sickness into Thy health, out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm,  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, out of despair into raptures above,  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

*Words: William Sleeper, d. 1920*

*Music: Greg Thompson, 2000*

## *The Preaching of God's Word* *"children of promise"*

GALATIANS: NO OTHER GOSPEL

Grant Beachy, pastor

### **Galatians 4.8-5.1**

<sup>8</sup> Formerly, when you did not know God, you were enslaved to those that by nature are not gods. <sup>9</sup> But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more? <sup>10</sup> You observe days and months and seasons and years! <sup>11</sup> I am afraid I may have labored over you in vain.

<sup>12</sup> Brothers, I entreat you, become as I am, for I also have become as you are. You did me no wrong. <sup>13</sup> You know it was because of a bodily ailment that I



preached the gospel to you at first, <sup>14</sup> and though my condition was a trial to you, you did not scorn or despise me, but received me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> What then has become of your blessedness? For I testify to you that, if possible, you would have gouged out your eyes and given them to me. <sup>16</sup> Have I then become your enemy by telling you the truth? <sup>17</sup> They make much of you, but for no good purpose. They want to shut you out, that you may make much of them. <sup>18</sup> It is always good to be made much of for a good purpose, and not only when I am present with you, <sup>19</sup> my little children, for whom I am again in the anguish of childbirth until Christ is formed in you! <sup>20</sup> I wish I could be present with you now and change my tone, for I am perplexed about you.

<sup>21</sup> Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? <sup>22</sup> For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. <sup>23</sup> But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. <sup>24</sup> Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. <sup>25</sup> Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. <sup>26</sup> But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. <sup>27</sup> For it is written,

“Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;  
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!  
For the children of the desolate one will be more  
than those of the one who has a husband.”

<sup>28</sup> Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. <sup>29</sup> But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. <sup>30</sup> But what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” <sup>31</sup> So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

<sup>5.1</sup> For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

*The Word of the Lord.*

*Thanks be to God.*

## ***The Covenant Meal***

*The elements of bread and wine are simple and yet by God's power and his Spirit's blessing are both a sign and seal of God's love. For those who are not believing in Jesus, this meal is a sign of the sacrificial love of Jesus for those who acknowledge their need of him. For those who are believing in Jesus, this is not only a sign of these things, it is also a seal to their hearts, that indeed the Gospel is true and that his love for them is real.*

## ***Parting Hymn***

**We Will Feast in the House of Zion**

*We will feast in the house of Zion.*

*We will sing with our hearts restored.*

*"He has done great things," we will say together.*

*We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire;

He is the LORD our God.

We are not consumed, by the flood;

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn

My soul, be not afraid.

For the promised morning, oh how long?

Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed;

You are the faithful one.

And from the garden to the grave

Bind us together, bring shalom.

*Sandra McCracken & Josh Moore, 2015*

*Music: Andrew Osenga, 2005*

## ***The Benediction***

*Numbers 6.24-6*

## Announcements & Reminders

### Small Groups

We have a number of Small Groups meeting throughout the area for consistent prayer, fellowship & application of the Scriptures to our lives. Please see the list in the foyer for group locations, meeting times and points of contact.

### Reformation Party-This Wednesday October 31st

We will have an evening together to celebrate The Reformation and All Saints Day. Beginning at 5:30 we will have a potluck meal, campfire, games (both indoor and outdoor). Come enjoy the evening together!

### Calling All Men!

*Need some friends? Want a little more Bible input in your life? Struggling with sin & looking for some help? Plan on this: Saturdays at 7.* Here's the deal, from Sept 1 - Nov 17, we'll meet in the church fellowship hall and allow the Sonship discipleship material to set the tone for our meetings. Each Saturday for 12 weeks from 7-9am. Come on brothers. Don't fight alone. Grant is point of contact (910.650.0898 | [gmbeachy@gmail.com](mailto:gmbeachy@gmail.com)).

### Ladies!

The Women's Bible Study meets Wednesday morning at the church building, from 9:30-11:30. Childcare is available. With questions contact Sarah Sardina ([moodys524@gmail.com](mailto:moodys524@gmail.com)).

### Our Deployed Personnel & Their Families

**Chip & Laura Raybon** (Chloe, Gabriel & Samuel) **Billy & Kristin Gunther**

**Valerie Schwindt** (Violet)

**Jono & Joy Thomsen**

**Chris & Aubrey Maldonado**

**Jordan & Kathy Horn** (Joshua & William)

**Matt & Haiden Grey** (David, Benjamin & Stephen)

**Stephen & Teresa Smith** (Lillian, Westin, Walter, Lucy & Edison)

**Wes & Tammy Scholtz** (Elijah, Jude)

### Harvest Communications

If you'd like to stay connected with upcoming events & information concerning our life together as a church, consider sending an email to Grant to be included in the *Harvest distro list* ([gmbeachy@gmail.com](mailto:gmbeachy@gmail.com)). In addition to this 'official' email list, there is a *Google Group* for communicating needs or opportunities among the congregation – things like needing a ride to the airport, a freezer you want to get rid of, etc. To be added to this Harvest Google Group, please contact Micah at [mroush1@live.com](mailto:mroush1@live.com).

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## **Purpose Statement**

*Harvest Presbyterian Church exists by the providence and grace of God  
to develop and equip God's people for their calling  
to glorify and enjoy him in all of life through  
worship, nurture & service.*

## **Our Supported Ministries & Missions**

**Onslow Pregnancy Resource Center** – *oprcfriends.com*, 910.938.7000

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