
a liturgy for corporate worship

HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 6, 2020

Prelude & Reflection

Be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

~ Hebrews 13.5-6

*I would not have the restless will that hurries to and fro,
Seeking for some great thing to do or secret thing to know;
I would be treated as a child, and guided where I go.*

*So I ask Thee for daily strength, to none that ask denied,
And a mind to blend with outward life while keeping at Thy side;
Content to fill a little space, if Thou be glorified.*

*There are briers besetting every path that call for patient care;
There is a cross in every lot, and an earnest need for prayer;
But a lowly heart that leans on Thee is happy anywhere.*

~ Anna Laetitia Waring, from her hymn
"Father I Know that All My Life" (1850)

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worship, nurture & service

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Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

from John 6.35-40

I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. And whoever comes to me I will never cast out. Everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

Songs of Praise

Jesus Strong And Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him.
No one else can satisfy; I should come to him.

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to him.
No one else can be my strength; I should come to him.

For the Lord is good and faithful.

He will keep us day and night.

We can always run to Jesus;

Jesus strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him.
No one else can be my shield; I should come to him.

Jesus said if I am lost, he will come to me.
And he showed me on that cross, he will come to me.

*CityAlight, 2019 (Colin Buchanan, Jonny Robinson,
Michael Farren & Rich Thompson)*

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Words: Fanny Crosby, 1873

Music: Phoebe Knapp, 1873

Confessing Our Faith

New City Catechism, questions 35-36

Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?

All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?

That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son, and that God grants him irrevocably to all who believe.

Song of Preparation

The musicians will introduce this song to us by singing the first verse & the chorus. Then we will join them – as we're able – through the whole song.

Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall,
There is still one king reigning over all.
So I will not fear, for this truth remains:
That my God is the Ancient of Days.

*None above him; none before him; all of time in his hands.
For his throne it shall remain and ever stand.
All the power; all the glory; I will trust in his name.
For my God is the Ancient of days.*

Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul,
He is here with me; I am not alone.
O, his love is sure and he knows my name,
For my God is the Ancient of Days.

Though I may not see what the future brings,
I will watch and wait for the Saviour king.
Then, my joy complete, standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days.

*CityAlight, 2018 (Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson,
Michael Farren, Jesse Reeves)*

Philippians 4.10-13

¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Looking to Jesus

Jesus said, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore let us boast all the more gladly of our weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon us. For the sake of Christ, then, let us be content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when we are weak, then we are strong.

(from 2 Corinthians 12.9-10)

By Thy Mercy

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee, friend of helpless sinners, hear:

From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,

*By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.*

When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour:

When the world around is smiling, in the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace:

(chorus)

In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain:

In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay.

Words: James Cummins, 1839

Music: Greg Thompson, 2004

The Covenant Meal

There are four tables around the sanctuary that are supplied with individual, pre-packaged communion elements. To reduce the amount of movement and allow plenty of space between people, please send one person to get the elements for those partaking of communion in your household. Please hold the elements until all have received and then we will partake together.

To help with a more sanitary clean-up, please take used communion cups and place them in the trash cans by the exit doors as you leave.

Parting Hymn

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Benediction

Numbers 6.24-26

*The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
The LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

As you depart the sanctuary:

- *please wear your mask and be mindful of social-distancing*
 - *please take your used communion supplies and dispose of them in the trashcans next to the exit doors*
 - *remember to put your Offering in the Box at the rear of the sanctuary*
 - *please do not congregate in the Foyer, but move beyond the fireplace into the Fellowship Hall or directly outside*
 - *remember that the door by the piano is reserved for those wishing to avoid the higher traffic areas of the Foyer & Fellowship Hall*
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Announcements

Fellowship Meal – THIS Evening

Tonight, we will re-gather for our 1st Sunday of the Month Fellowship Meal, beginning at 5pm. Please note a few Covid caveats:

- 1) It will be *outside* so you may want to bring your own chairs.
- 2) The *building will be open for restroom use only*, not for hanging out in.
- 3) BYOD – *Bring Your Own Dinner* (and drinks and desserts, etc.). We will not be sharing food or drinks off a common table.

Monthly Fellowship Meals are rich times in our life together and we believe these adjustments will enable us to fellowship together without exposing ourselves and one another to undue risks. Please join us if you are able.

Small Groups

As a church family we need to be in relationships with other Christians; being part of a Small Group can be key to that. Please contact Grant with any questions or if you are interested in participating in a Small Group this Fall (gmbeachy@gmail.com).

Ladies Bible Studies

Harvest women's small group bible studies are forming for the fall, and registration is open! We have three groups (Psalms, Hebrews and Romans!) with limited slots available in each group. Contact Lindsey Olson for details (locamentefeliz@gmail.com or 540.840.7985) or visit the following website to sign up – harvestwomen.groupvitals.com/groupFinder/

Offerings

We are not currently taking up an Offering during the service. However, if you have brought offering, there is a box at the back of the sanctuary in which you can place your check or cash. As well, online giving is a reliable option. You can find your way to our online giving page either through the [Resources tab](#) on our website or directly [here](#). You can also snail mail any contributions to:

Harvest Presbyterian Church | PO Box 12243 | Jacksonville NC 28546

Harvest Online –

- ~ Email Distro List – *if you're interested in receiving email announcements and reminders, please send Grant an email and ask to be added to the official Harvest distro list (gmbeachy@gmail.com).*
- ~ Any need or prayer request that you would like to make known to the church leadership can be done through the email address *elders@harvestpres.com*. That is a confidential email that only the elders see. We would welcome you to make use of it.
- ~ **Facebook & Instagram** @harvestpresjax
- ~ **YouTube** – search “Harvest Presbyterian Church Jacksonville NC”

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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

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