
a liturgy for corporate worship

HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 27, 2020

Prelude & Reflection

Before you enter into prayer, ask thy soul these questions: To what end, O my soul, art thou retired into this place? Art thou not come to discourse the Lord in prayer? Is he present; will he hear thee? Is he merciful; will he help thee? Is thy business slight; is it not concerning the welfare of thy soul? What words wilt thou use to move him to compassion? To make thy preparation complete, consider that thou art but dust and ashes, and he the great God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that clothes himself with light as with a garment; that thou art a vile sinner, he a holy God; that thou art but a poor crawling worm, he the omnipotent Creator. In all your prayers forget not to thank the Lord for his mercies. When thou prayest, rather let thy heart be without words, than thy words without a heart. Prayer will make a man cease from sin, or sin will entice a man to cease from prayer.

~ John Bunyan, author of
Pilgrim's Progress



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Welcome & Announcements

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Invocation

Matthew 6.9-13

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 96.1-6

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD. Make a joyful noise before the King!

Songs of Praise

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)*

Joy to the World!

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Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing!

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Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

Words: Isaac Watts, 1719 (based on Psalm 98)

Music: George Frederick Handel, 1742

Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1836

Gloria Patri

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, amen.

Text: 2nd cent.; translated

Tune: Henry Greatorex, 1851

Song of Response

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, I helpless, hang on thee;
Leave, O, leave me not alone, support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want, here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1740

Music: Greg Thompson, 2000

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.

For when 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*
- 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*

Parting Hymn

It's Not Long Till the Day of the Lord (Psalm 37)

It's not long till the boastful are silenced and shamed.
It's not long till the wealth of the wicked's reclaimed.
And the ones who have waited with eyes on the Lord
Will shine like the sun forevermore!
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Just be still and be faithful and dwell in the land.
Put your trust in the Savior and cling to his hand.
When your heart burns with anger for all that is wrong,
Do not let the dark steal your song.
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

*It's not long till the day of the Lord,
It's not long till the day of the Lord!
Everything that is broken will soon be restored.
It's not long till the day of the Lord!*

Do not fear for the wicked with weapons of war,
For the Lord is the shelter and strength of the poor.
And our God comes with laughter, let him be your joy.
The power of the sword, he'll destroy.
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Wendell Kimbrough, 2017

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,
through Jesus, our King and our Savior. Amen.*

Announcements

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).

Nursery Volunteers

While we continue to not have a nursery, we have instituted a background check policy for all adult nursery workers. In preparation for re-opening the nursery (at some future point), we would like to begin running the background checks now so that when that day comes, we are ready to roll with cleared volunteers. So, if you are interested in volunteering in the nursery once it re-opens, please contact Amelia Hale, nursery coordinator, to get the process started (317.625.3194 or ameliajhale12@gmail.com).

Fellowship Meal – Next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 4, 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.

Offerings

In addition to passing the plate during the service, there is also a box at the back of the sanctuary in which you can place your offering. A third option is giving online through the [Resources tab](#) on our website.

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/

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](https://www.instagram.com/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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