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# a liturgy for corporate worship

# HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH July 11, 2021

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

~ The Apostle Paul (2 *Timothy 2.8-10*)

Hallelujah!
For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.
Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory.

~ the voice of the great multitude (*Revelation 19.6-7*)

He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

~ The Apostle John (*Revelation 22.20-21*)

# HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) worship, nurture & service

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.

~ Luke 10.2 ~

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# July 11, 2021 a day of rest

Welcome & Announcements

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Invocation

# Call to Worship

Psalm 99 & Revelation 19

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

#### Lead On, O King

no. 580

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home: Through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong, And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, But deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning where-e'er thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

Words: Ernest Shurtleff, 1888 Music: Henry Smart, 1836

#### The Church's One Foundation

no. 347

The church's one foundation, is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is his new creation, by water and the Word: From heav'n he came and sought her, to be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

(song continues on the next page ...)

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Against or foe or traitor, she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

> Words: Samuel Stone, 1866 Music: Samuel Wesley, 1864

#### Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, question 1

Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death – to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

(The Heidelberg Catechism was comprised in 1563 as an aid for Christians to learn the truths of the faith in a devotional way. It can still help to instruct 21st century Christians and connect us to believers in other times and places.)

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

Pastoral Prayer

Tom Phillips, elder

The Offering

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8.9)

# The Preaching of God's Word "Greetings from your Savior"

LETTERS TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES
Grant Beachy, pastor

#### **Revelation 1**

(page 1,028 in the pew Bible)



#### **Entrusting Ourselves to Our Savior**

Beloved, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

(*Hebrews* 4.12-13)

#### Have Mercy on Me

Have mercy on me. Have mercy on me. O Lord, have mercy. O Lord, have mercy.

O help my unbelief. O help my unbelief. O Lord, have mercy. O Lord, have mercy.

During the musical interlude, let us each lay our particular burdens and needs before the Lord, entrusting ourselves to his Fatherly care ...

Have mercy on me. Have mercy on me. O Lord, have mercy. O Lord, have mercy.

Sandra McCracken & Thad Cockrell, 2015

Beloved, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

(Hebrews 4.14-16)

#### 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.

# The Parting Hymn

#### 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)

#### The Benediction



#### **Announcements**

# **Baby Shower –** *THIS Tuesday (July 13)*

Ladies of the church, you are invited and encouraged to attend a baby shower, honoring Rebekah Magill and Chelsey Meissner, who have both recently delivered their baby girls! This Tuesday evening, 5pm in the church fellowship hall. Contact Teresa Smith if you have questions or would like to help with food or decorations (360.927.6598).

## Baseball Game - THIS Friday (July 16)

Join us Friday evening, 7pm at Grainger Stadium in Kinston for a Wood Ducks game! Contact Ray & Mary Respess (252.521.6225) or, for additional information, see the sheets on table in the foyer.

## Offerings

In addition to passing the plate during the worship 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 <u>Resources tab</u> on our website.

# **Small Groups**

Please take advantage of the opportunity to gather together with fellow believers in a smaller setting. A list of groups is available on the table in the foyer (yellow sheet).

## **Staying Connected**

- ~ *Directory* In order to foster relationships among us as a church family, we encourage you to make use of the app 'Instant Church Directory.' Jim Turner is point of contact for the app if you have any questions.
- ~ *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*).
- ~ Please feel free to make any need or prayer request known to the church leadership 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.

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- ~ Facebook & Instagram @harvestpresjax
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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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