



HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

a liturgy for corporate worship

September 19, 2021

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11.25-28

*I sought the Lord, and afterward I knew
he moved my soul to seek him, seeking me;
it was not I that found, O Savior true,
no, I was found of thee.*

*Thou didst reach forth thy hand and mine enfold;
I walked and sank not on the storm-vexed sea -
'twas not so much that I on thee took hold,
as thou, dear Lord, on me.*

Jean Ingelow, 1878

God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4.6

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

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

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a day of rest

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Welcome & Announcements

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The Call to Worship

from Psalm 63.1-8

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips, for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

Corporate Invocation

Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing

Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace.

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I've come.

And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God.

He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

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O, to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be.
Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Then one day I'll see my Savior; face to face behold Him there.
No more tears and no more sorrows, no more sin and no despair!
Faith to sight and prayer to praises, I will worship evermore
With the saints and with the angels, Jesus Christ, my gracious Lord.

*Words: Robert Robinson, 1758
4th stanza, Ryan Stone, 2010
Music: Asahel Nettleton, 1825*

Confessing The Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell*. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

** 'hell' here means the realm of death, not 'place of eternal torment'*

*** 'catholic' here means 'universal'*

Pensive, Doubting, Fearful Heart

Pensive, doubting, fearful heart, hear what Christ the Savior says;
Every word should joy impart, change thy mourning into praise.
Yes, He speaks and speaks to thee, may He help thee to believe;
Then thou presently will see thou has little cause to grieve.

Fear thou not, nor be ashamed; all thy sorrows soon shall end,
I, who heaven and earth have framed, am thy Husband and thy Friend;
I the High and Holy One, Israel's God, by all adored,
As thy Savior will be known, thy Redeemer and thy Lord.

For a moment I withdrew, and thy heart was filled with pain;
But my mercies I'll renew; thou shall soon rejoice again;
Though I seem to hide my face, very soon my wrath shall cease;
'Tis but for a moment's space, ending in eternal peace.

Though afflicted, tempest tossed, comfortless awhile thou art,
Do not think thou can be lost, thou art graven on my heart;
All thy wastes I will repair; thou shalt be rebuilt anew;
And in thee it shall appear what the God of love can do.

*Words: John Newton, 1779
Music: Wendell Kimbrough, 2004*

Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me

What gift of grace is Jesus, our Redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is our joy, our righteousness and freedom, our steadfast love, our deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus! For my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but we are not forsaken, for by our side the Saviour, he will stay.
We labour on in weakness and rejoicing, for in our need, his power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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No fate we dread, we know we are forgiven, the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for our pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold: my sin has been defeated. Jesus now, and ever, is my plea.

Oh the chains are released, I can sing, I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath we long to follow Jesus, for he has said that he will bring us home.

And day by day we know he will renew us until we stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus! All the glory evermore to him.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

*Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren
& Rich Thompson, 2018*

Affirmation of Vows

*Bruce & Susan Richardson, Meredith Clark,
Shane & Elizabeth Hilton*

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure, and without hope, except in his sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise – in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit – that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Jesus, With Thy Church Abide

Jesus, with Thy church abide; be her savior, Lord, and Guide.
While on earth her faith is tried: we beseech Thee, hear us.
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in Thy promise sure: we beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be, one in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in Thee: we beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, seek the lost until she find
And the brokenhearted bind: we beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Arm her soldiers with the cross, brave to suffer toil or loss,
Counting earthly gain but dross: we beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she holy triumphs win, overthrow the hosts of sin,
Gather all the nations in: we beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Words: Thomas Benson Pollock, 1871

Music: Chris Miner, 1997

The Pastoral Prayer

*Ken Counts,
director of men's discipleship*

The Offering

John 1.35-51

³⁵ The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴² He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷ Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸ Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." ⁴⁹ Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

sermon notes ...



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 displayed in Jesus Christ. 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, 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

Eternal Weight of Glory

Now the days and hours and moments of our suff'ring seem so long;
And the toilsome wait and wond'ring threaten silence to our song.
Now our pain is real and pressing, where our faith is thin and weak,
But our hope is set on Jesus; and we cling to him, our strength.

Oh eternal weight of glory! Oh inheritance divine!
We will see our Lord redeeming every past and future time.
All our pains will be transfigured, like the scars of Christ our Lord.
We will see the weight of glory, and our broken years restored.

*For behold! I tell a myst'ry: at the trumpet sound we'll wake
"Death is swallowed up in vict'ry!" when we meet our King of Grace.
Every year we thought was wasted, every night we cried "How long?"
All will be a passing moment in our Savior's vict'ry song.*

We will see our wounded Savior. We'll behold him face to face;
And we'll hear our anguished stories sung as vict'ry songs of grace.

Wendell Kimbrough, 2015

The Benediction

Numbers 6.24-26

*The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make his face 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

Ladies Bible Studies

Though the Harvest's *Women & High School Girls* Bible studies have recently begun, you can still jump in if you haven't yet. Pick up a flyer in the foyer for all the details! Contact Lindsey Olson (harvestwomensbiblestudy@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Small Groups

Please take advantage of the opportunity to gather together with fellow believers in a smaller setting. We have a number of groups meeting in peoples' homes throughout the area and at a variety of times. A list of groups is available on the table in the foyer (yellow sheet).

Elder Visits

If you'd be interested in having a couple of the elders visit you in your home for conversation and prayer, please sign up on the green sheet in the foyer. We look forward to being with you!

Harvest Online –

- [Facebook](#) & [Instagram](#) @harvestpresjax
- [YouTube](#) – search “Harvest Presbyterian Church Jacksonville NC”

Staying Connected

- 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.
- *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).
- *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.

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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

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