



# HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*a liturgy for corporate worship*

October 17, 2021

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*This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.*

*He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.*

*No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him.*

*To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right  
to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the  
will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.*

*All that the Father gives me will come to me.*

*And whoever comes to me I will never cast out.*

*By grace you have been saved through faith.*

*And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.*

*If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man,  
much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free  
gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.*

*- John 6.29; 1.11; 6.44; 1.12-13; 6.37;  
Ephesians 2.8, Romans 5.17*

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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>1<sup>st</sup> Sundays</i> )

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October 17, 2021  
*a day of rest*

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## Welcome & Announcements

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## Entering into Worship

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

*Psalm 9.1-2*

### Worship Christ, the Risen King!

*no. 286*

Rise O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.

Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares:

“Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares.”

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ the risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with pow’r;

All hell’s minions may assemble, but cannot withstand his hour.

He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;

But the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer.

He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory;

Sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free.

Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

*Words: Jack Hayford, 1986*

*Music: Henry T. Smart, 1867*

## Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy Word.

Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;

Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail – let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us –

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on your promises and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory.

*Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, 2005*

## 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'*

## Ministry Update

## Pastoral Prayer

*Eric Winship, elder*

## Offering

### Song of Preparation

#### Come, O Come Thou Holy Spirit

Come, o come Thou Holy Spirit, light and life Thy grace impart.  
Blessed source of consolation, guide our minds and fill our hearts.  
Grant my mind and my affections wisdom, counsel, purity;  
That I may be ever seeking only that which pleases Thee,  
Only that which pleases Thee.

Savior lead us to adore Thee by the true and living way.  
Then with angel hosts before Thee may we worship, love and praise.  
Dwell within us, precious Spirit, where Thou art no ill can come.  
Bless us now through Jesus' merit. Reign in every heart and home.  
Reign in every heart and home.

Holy Spirit, strong and mighty, Thou who makest all things new;  
Make Thy work within me perfect, help me by Thy word so true.  
In Thy faith, O make me steadfast. Let not Satan, death or shame  
Of my confidence deprive me. Lord, my refuge is Thy name;  
Lord, my refuge is Thy name.

While we wait for Christ's appearing, life and joy Thy beams impart,  
Chasing all our fears and cheering every poor benighted heart.  
Come and manifest the favor promised for our ransomed race.  
Come Thou mighty prince and savior. Come and bring the gospel grace.  
Come and bring the gospel grace.

When my final hour approaches, let my hopes grow yet more bright.  
Let Thy love which never fails me dissipate the gloom of night.  
From that height which knows no measure, fairer far than voice can tell,  
In Thy glorious courts of heaven, there, redeemed by Christ, to dwell,  
There, redeemed by Christ, to dwell.

*Words: Anonymous (1838), Joachim Neander (1866)  
& Julie Melucci (2015); Music: Julie Melucci, 2015*

John 3.22 – 4.3

<sup>3.22</sup> After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. <sup>23</sup> John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized <sup>24</sup> (for John had not yet been put in prison).

<sup>25</sup> Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. <sup>26</sup> And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him." <sup>27</sup> John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. <sup>28</sup> You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.' <sup>29</sup> The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. <sup>30</sup> He must increase, but I must decrease."

<sup>31</sup> He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. <sup>32</sup> He bears witness to what he has seen and heard, yet no one receives his testimony. <sup>33</sup> Whoever receives his testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true. <sup>34</sup> For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. <sup>35</sup> The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. <sup>36</sup> Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

<sup>4.1</sup> Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), <sup>3</sup> he left Judea and departed again for Galilee.

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## Responding to the Word

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.

**Since then 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 4.12-16*

*- silent prayer -*

**How Sweet and Awesome is the Place, no. 469**

## 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

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord  
Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,  
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,  
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.*

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold,  
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,  
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,  
What can avail to wash it away?  
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;  
Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
Freely bestowed on all who believe!  
You that are longing to see his face,  
Will you this moment his grace receive?

*Words: Julia Johnston, 1910*

*Music: Daniel Towner, 1910*

## 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

### **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!

### **Men's Discipleship Ministry**

Jesus drew large crowds (Mark 10.1) *and* he also hand-picked specific men to stay with him for discipleship training (John 1.35-51). Most men are content to stay back in the crowd; some men want more than that. If you are a man who wants more, you are welcome to come visit a discipleship group and consider whether the Lord would lead you to join us. We meet in the Fellowship Hall on Saturdays at 6am or Thursdays at 5:30pm. Contact Ken Counts with any questions (910.467.3041 or [chaplaincounts@gmail.com](mailto:chaplaincounts@gmail.com)).

### **Reformation Day Celebration**

Sunday evening, October 31, we will host a Reformation Day Celebration on the church grounds, beginning at 5pm. We'll have a camp fire (*bring S'more supplies if you like & guitars or fiddles for playing music around the fire*), a reminder of what the Reformation is & why it matters today, plenty of fellowship and lights on the playground so the kiddos can play. Please bring a dish to share.

### **Offerings**

In addition to passing the plate during the second 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.

*There's more on the next page ...*

## Talent Show – December 5

Harvest's Annual Talent show is scheduled for Sunday December 5. This is such a wonderful evening. The show will start at 5pm with a potluck dinner following the entertainment. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Talent is not restricted to just the children; adult talent is welcomed. We encourage family talent and small group talent as well. Some talents previously done are skits, instrumentalists, soloists, duets, recitations, ballet, comedy, etc. Contact Ray & Mary Respass to sign-up (252.521.6225).

## 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*

## SUPPORTED MINISTRIES & MISSIONS

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

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**MTW – Mission To the World** (our denominational missions arm)

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