

HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship May 29, 2022

Jesus has said,

"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God? For whoever believes in the Son has eternal life."

"But unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe. And I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe."

"Thomas, have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

- from John 11.40; 3.36; 4.48; 6.36 & 20.29

He who saw it has borne witness – his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth – that you also may believe. These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- The Apostle John (John 19.35 & 20.31)

Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

- The Apostle Peter (1 Peter 1.8-9)

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

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

	Current	June – August
Sunday School	9:30	No Sunday School
Fellowship	10:15	9:30
Worship	10:45	10:00
Family Dinner	5pm (1st Sundays)	5pm (1st Sundays)

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May 29, 2022 a day of rest

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Welcome & Announcements

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Entering into Worship

Let us prepare ourselves for worship with a few moments of silent reflection and prayer ...

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

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Father, we acknowledge your sovereign glory and power, your holiness and purity. And in these verses we are confronted with our unworthiness: our hands are dirty, our hearts impure, we have given our souls to what is false and we deceive with our words. We must conclude that in ourselves, we have no hope of receiving either righteousness or blessing from you.

Who then shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, strong and mighty, he is the King of glory!

And as Jesus drew near the city, the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice saying,

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

adapted from Psalm 24 & Luke 19

Songs of Praise

Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ, no. 524

Holy, Holy, Holy!, no. 100

Confessing the Faith

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* 'catholic' here means 'universal'

Affirmation of Vows

Aric & Hannah Ramsey, Andrew & Jessie Sumner Jonathan & Alina Strain, Harper & Chloe

- 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?

Vows for the Parents:

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
- 3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Vow for the Congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

all vows taken from the *Book of Church Order* of the Presbyterian Church in America

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709 Tune: Genevan Psalter. 1551

Pastoral Prayer

Ken Counts director of men's discipleship

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

"seeing is believing?"

The Gospel of John: BELIEVE & LIVE Grant Beachy, pastor

John 20.19-31

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

sermon notes ...



Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sometimes called 'Communion' or the 'Eucharist', this simple meal, instituted by Jesus himself, signifies to us the reality of his ministry on behalf of his people. 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, demonstrated to us in the body and blood of Jesus Christ, broken and shed for all who believe.

Parting Hymn

How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; For I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you and cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be with you, your troubles to bless, And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply; The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

E'en down to old age all my people shall prove My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; And when the white hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

(song concludes on the following page ...)

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

Words: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787 Music: Traditional American Melody

Benediction Numbers 6.24-26

Beloved, 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, now and forevermore, through Jesus, our King and our Savior.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Schedule - Beginning NEXT Sunday

Please note that beginning *June 5*, we'll move to our summer schedule: No Sunday School, Worship at 10am and 1st Sunday Family Dinners at 5. This change in our ministry schedule is intended to foster rest – giving Sunday School teachers a break, allowing a bit more room for fellowship and engaging with family and neighbors. Please don't think of this as a chance to check out, but to recharge.

First Sunday Family Dinner

Please plan to attend our first Sunday fellowship meal next Sunday evening, June 5. Beginning at 5pm, these potluck family dinners are a great way to get to know new folks and connect with old friends. Next week, instead of our Pastor Q&A before dinner, we will get to hear more fully from Dan & Melanie Norvell about their recent trip with Heart to Heart to Nairobi, Kenya! So bring your questions about Kenya and some food to share!

Pure Desire Ministries

Sunday afternoons, from 1:30 to 3:30, we are hosting a Pure Desire Ministries study. These studies are an excellent and proven way to both come alongside sexual strugglers as well as combat the struggle yourself. While there are some scheduling changes coming during the summer, Jeremiah Davis remains the point of contact – 910.546.8224 or jeremiah.davis@tuntavernfellowship.org.

Mission Trip

July 16-24, we will be sending a team to **Fairmont**, **West Virginia** to work with a PCA ministry called *Camp Dayspring*, serving in construction, VBS and relationship building. Ken Counts is your point of contact for this trip.

Small Groups

Please take advantage of the opportunity to gather together with fellow believers in a smaller setting for prayer, fellowship, Bible Study and encouragement. 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.

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.

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. Additionally, you can give online through the <u>Resources tab</u> on our website.

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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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