



HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship

December 4, 2022

HARVEST
Presbyterian Church
PCA



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.

~ Jesus (Luke 10.2)

December 4, 2022

a day of rest

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Welcome & Announcements

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Invocation

Call to Worship

Galatians 4:4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Songs of Praise

Come Thou Redeemer of the Earth

Come Thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest thy virgin birth.
Let every age adoring fall; such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will, but of the Spirit, thou art still.
The word of God in flesh arrayed, the promised fruit to man displayed.

O equal to the Father, thou! Gird on thy fleshly mantle now.
The weakness of our mortal state with deathless might invigorate.

Thy Cradle here shall glitter bright, and darkness breathe a newer light .
Where endless faith shall shine serene, and twilight never intervene.

O Jesu, virgin born, to thee eternal praise and glory be.
Who with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit evermore .

translation by John Mason Neale mid-nineteenth century.

Of the Father's Love Begotten

no. 162

Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, he the Source, the Ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore!

O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race;
And the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face,
Evermore and evermore!

This is he whom heav'n-taught singers sang of old with one accord,
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets promised in their faithful word;
Now he shines, the long-expected; let creation praise its Lord,
Evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heav'n, adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing;
All dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King;
Let no tongue on earth be silent, ev'ry voice in concert ring,
Evermore and evermore!

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and O Holy Ghost, to thee,
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore!

*Words: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, d. 413
trans. by John Mason Neal, 1854 & Thomas Baker, 1859
Music: Plainsong, 12th cent.; arr. by Charles Winfred Douglas, 1916*

Angels We Have Heard on High, no. 214

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.

Q. 22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 3:1-7

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

Pastoral Prayer

Tom Phillips, elder

Offering

(In addition to the plates being passed, you can place your offering in the box at the back of the sanctuary or you can give online through the Resources tab on our website.)

Song of Preparation

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, no. 193

The Preaching of God's Word

Eric Winship, elder

"The Problem"

Genesis 3:15

(p2 pew Bible)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The elements of bread and wine are simple and yet by God's power 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 his love is for them.

Receiving the Elements

Those receiving communion will please come forward when prepared to do so.

Please note: the common cups and the outer rings of the trays are wine.

Searching for Truth ...

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might not be discouraged by the cost of following you, but drawn to you by a sight of your loving sacrifice for me. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Help me to be honest in my search, and give me an understanding of you that fits together and leads to life.

Ready to believe Christ ...

Lord Jesus Christ, I confess that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared to admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever hoped or imagined. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me your complete righteousness. Knowing that you have been raised as Victor over sin, I turn from my sins and receive your grace in my life. Help me to rest in you.

Struggling with sin ...

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the True and Living Bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race before me, looking only unto you, the Author and Perfecter of my faith, one day, one hour, at a time.

Desiring deeper commitment to the Church ...

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. You have called me not to exist alone, but to be a vital member of your Body, the church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and to live in the fullness of fellowship with your Spirit.

Rejoicing in God's provision ...

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I am overwhelmed and delighted by your mercies to me: a sure and certain salvation in Jesus, restored relationship with the God of heaven and earth, daily supplies of compassion, kindness, grace and strength – thank you. Further enable me to live in light of your glory and goodness.

Parting Hymn

Joy to the World! The Lord is Come
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!

no. 195

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

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

First Sunday Family Dinner | **TONIGHT**, Please plan to attend our first Sunday fellowship meal this evening, beginning at 5pm. These potluck family dinners are a great way to get to know new folks and connect with old friends. We look forward to being together.

Adult Sunday School Class

Mike Carter and Brent Cochran will be co-teaching Sunday School using R.C. Sproul's book "Everyone's a Theologian - an Introduction to Systematic Theology". You are encouraged to purchase this book so you can better benefit from this class.

2023 Heart to Heart Ministry Trip to Kenya

Heart to Heart will be returning to Kenya for a mission's trip in the New Year. Departure will be on Thursday, April 27 and returning to US on Monday, May 8th. If you are interested in joining this Missions trip there will be a informational meeting on December 11, right after the worship service. Please contact Dan or Melanie at dan.norvell@mail.peraton.com or Eric Winship at eric@isanswers.net.

Pastor Recommendation Form

If you have someone you want to make the Pulpit Committee aware of as a prospect, please fill out a Pastor Recommendation Form and give it to any member of the Committee. They are located on the round table near the main entrance.

Pulpit Committee

We ask most sincerely that you continue to be in prayer for the committee and our applicants as we continue to seek the man whom God has called to be our next Pastor. Pray for us and for the man, that we will both be assured of the Lord's will in the matter.

Pulpit Committee Email

In order to make communication easy, efficient, and effective the Pulpit Committee may be reached at: (pulpit.cmte@harvestpres.com)

Prayer Ministry

We look forward to praying for each other throughout the week. To that end If you have any praises or prayer requests, please email them to prayer@harvestpres.com; your request will be sent to the elders and Amy Cochran, who will add your request to the prayer list. The list will be emailed on Sunday afternoons to the church.

Printed copies will be available on Sunday mornings.

Pure Desire Ministries

Pure Desire exists to help men and women take back their lives from unwanted sexual behavior and the trauma of betrayal. These studies are an excellent and proven way to both come alongside sexual strugglers as well as combat the struggle yourself. For the current schedule & location, please contact Jeremiah Davis (jeremiah.davis@tuntavernfellowship.org | 910.546.8224).

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 Micah an email and ask to be added to the official Harvest distro list (mroush@live.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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worship, nurture & service

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

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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 MISSIONS

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RUF – Reformed University Fellowship (our denominational campus ministry)
MTW – Mission To the World (our denominational missions arm)

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