



HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship

December 11, 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 11, 2022

a day of rest

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Welcome & Announcements

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Invocation

Ephesians 1:18-20

Open the eyes of our hearts that we may know the hope of Your calling, the riches of the glory of our inheritance and the surpassing greatness of Your power toward us in Jesus Christ.

All of this You have brought about in Christ, when you raised Him from the dead and seated Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places.

Call to Worship

Isaiah 25:7-9

And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Songs of Praise

What Child is This?

no. 213

What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste! To bring him praise, the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear. For sinners here the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary.

Why comes he thus in humble dress, born 'midst the sheep – a Lord, a King?
“Hear,” child of sod, “Behold your God!” Who with his subjects dwelling.
This, this the Lamb of God: for sinners slain – salvation bought.
Kneel, kneel before the throne, the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby:
“Joy! Joy! For Christ is born!” The babe, the son of Mary.

Traditional English Carol, 16th Century
Adapted by William C Dix, ca 1865

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen, no. 211

As with Gladness Men of Old, no. 226

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Q. 23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

New Testament Reading

2 Cor 3:14-18

But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

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

Once in Royal David's City

no. 225

Once in Royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid a baby in a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child,

He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall.
With the poor, and mean, and lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood he would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden in whose gentle arms he lay.
Christian children all must be mild, obedient, good as he.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love,
For that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heav'n above.
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,
We shall see him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high.
When like stars his children crowned all in white shall wait around.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848

Music: Henry J. Gauntlett, 1849

The Preaching of God's Word
"The Promise"

Eric Winship, elder

Parting Hymn

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold him come, offspring of the virgin's womb.

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heav'nborn Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings.

Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King."

Words: Charles Wesley, 1753

Music: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1840

Arr. by William H. Cummings, 1856

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

Sunday Evening Service

You are invited to join us Sunday evenings at 5:00 PM for a video series "Westminster Confession of Faith" by John Gerstner (24 weeks). We will have Q&A after the video followed by a potluck and fellowship in the fellowship hall. The Session is excited about providing the Body of Christ at Harvest with another means of grace to deepen our walk with the Lord. For now, childcare is not available.

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 **Today**, 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 (mrroush@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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