

HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship

December 18, 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 18, 2022 a day of rest

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Welcome & Announcements

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InvocationMatthew 6:9-13

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil." Call to Worship Psalm 89:34-37

I will not violate my covenant or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

Once for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David.

His offspring shall endure forever, his throne as long as the sun before me.

Like the moon it shall be established forever, a faithful witness in the skies." Selah

Songs of Praise

Angels, From the Realms of Glory, no. 218

O Little Town of Bethlehem, no, 201

Lo How A Rose E're Blooming, no. 221

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Q. 28. Wherein consisteth Christ's exaltation?

A. Christ's exaltation consisteth in his rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

New Testament Reading

John 1:14-18

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'") For from his fullness, we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

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

Christ the True and Better

Christ the true and better Adam, Son of God and Son of man.
Who when tempted in the garden never yielded, never sinned.
He who makes the many righteous brings us back to life again.
Dying He reversed the curse then rising crushed the serpent's head!

Christ the true and better Isaac, humble son of sacrifice.

Who would climb the fearful mountain, there to offer up his life.

Laid with faith upon the altar, Father's joy and only son.

There salvation was provided, oh what full and boundless love!

Amen, Amen, From beginning to end Christ the story, His the glory Alleluia, Amen!

Christ the true and better Moses called to lead a people home.

Standing bold to earthly powers, God's great glory to be known.

With his arms stretched wide to heaven, see the waters part in two.

See the veil is torn forever, cleansed with blood we pass now through.

Christ the true and better David, lowly shepherd, mighty King.

He the champion in the battle, where o death is now thy sting?

In our place He bled and conquered. Crown Him Lord of majesty.

His shall be the throne forever, we shall e'er His people be!

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Eric Winship, elder

The Preaching of God's Word

"The Preparation"

Luke 1 & 2 (p855 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.

Parting Hymn

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus
Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,

Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee, Dayspring from on high, appear; Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse, of thy birth we long to hear! O'er the hills the angels singing news, glad tidings of a birth: "Go to him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."

Come to earth to taste our sadness, he whose glories knew no end; By his life he brings us gladness, our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend. Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall; This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king, Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By thine all-sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

> Words: Charles Wesley (1744) & Mark Hunt (1978), Music: Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1855

no. 196

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

Holiday Schedule

Please note our *Service of Lessons & Carols on Christmas Eve*, beginning at 5pm with a potluck meal to follow. This year the service will be held by candlelight . Please arrive no later than 4:45 so that you may get your food dropped off and enter the sanctuary to enjoy the musical prelude. Also note that there will be *no Sunday School* the last Sunday in December.

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 please contact Dan or Melanie at dan.norvell@mail.peraton.com or Eric Winship at <u>eric@isanswers.net</u>.

Pulpit Committee

Pray for the committee as each member spends time reviewing ministerial data forms, resumes, and listens to sermons of assigned potential candidates through the week. Pray the Lord would lead us to the man he has chosen, and that the Lord is now preparing that man's heart to come.

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 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.

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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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 (1st Sundays)

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

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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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