

## HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship
January 8, 2023

# 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)

# January 8, 2023 a day of rest

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#### Welcome & Announcements

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**Invocation** Psalm 124:8

"Our help is in the name of the Lord, Who made heaven and earth."

Let us pray,

O Father, Majestic is your name

From the rising of the sun
to its setting
your name is to be praised,
Merciful God,
Gracious Lord.

Hear us in the name of your Son,

For he has promised that where two or three of us are gathered in his name he would be with us and our prayer would be heard.

#### Hear us in the name of your Son,

For he is the revelation of your wisdom, the outpouring of your glory, the incarnation of your mercy toward us and the whole human race.

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To you be glory,
And all praise and honor,
Father,
Son, and
Holy Spirit,
One God, now and evermore. Amen.
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Call to Worship

Isaiah 5:20-23

Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!

## Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, and shrewd in their own sight!

Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, and valiant men in mixing strong drink, who acquit the guilty for a bribe, and deprive the innocent of his right!

#### **Songs of Praise**

#### We come, O Christ, to Thee

We come, O Christ, to Thee, True Son of God and man, By whom all things consist, in whom all life began: In Thee alone we live and move And have our being in Thy love.

Thou art the Way to God, Thy blood our ransom paid; In Thee we face our Judge And Maker unafraid. Before the throne absolved we stand: Thy love has met Thy law's demand.

Thou art the living Truth! All wisdom dwells in Thee,
Thou Source of every skill, Eternal Verity!
Thou great I Am! In Thee we rest,
True answer to our every quest.

Thou only art true life, to know Thee is to live
The more abundant life that earth can never give:
O Risen Lord! We live in Thee
And Thou in us eternally!

We worship Thee Lord Christ, Our Savior and our King,
To Thee our youth and strength adoringly we bring:
So fill our hearts that men may see
Thy life in us and turn to Thee!

Words: Margaret Clarkson, 1957 Music: John Darwall, 1770

#### The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation, is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation, by water and the Word:
From heav'n he came and sought her, to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Against or foe or traitor, she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

> Words: Samuel Stone, 1866 Music: Samuel Wesley, 1864

#### Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Q. 19. What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?
A. All mankind, by their fall, lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell for ever.

#### **New Testament Reading**

Luke 1:76-79

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

## **Pastoral Prayer**

Doug Zimbelman, 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**

Before the Throne of God Above
Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart;
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

And when I stumble in the dark, his hand shall lead me to the light.

His death to me his grace imparts. He rose again to give me life.

The law my flesh could never keep, but my Redeemer bore my guilt.

He brought me out of misery, that I in him shall surely live;

That I in him shall surely live.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see him there who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free

For God the just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me;

To look on him and pardon me.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Praise the One, risen Son of God! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Praise the One, risen Son of God!

Behold him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One in himself I cannot die my soul is purchased by his blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ my Savior and my God!
With Christ my Savior and my God!

Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft (1863) & Vicki Cook (1997), Stanza 2, Ryan Stone, 2006; Music: Vikki Cook, 1997

Eric Winship, elder

## The Preaching of God's Word

"The God of Justice"

**Malachi 2:17-3:7a** (p801 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**

**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**

#### **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.

**Sunday Evening Service** 1You 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.

#### **Informational Meeting**

Next Sunday, January 15, the elders will hold an informational meeting following the Worship service. While not a formal congregational meeting, we will use this meeting to relay important information about the life of our church family, including the 2023 church budget. You do not need to be a member to attend this meeting.

## 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 8<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in joining this Missions trip please contact Dan or Melanie at *dan.norvell@mail.peraton.com* or Eric Winship at *eric@isanswers.net*.

#### Prayer for our Leadership

Please pray for wisdom for the deacons and elders as they prepare the 2023 Harvest budget. Since COVID we have been significantly under budget. The 2023 budget will reflect this reality calling for difficult decisions for supported ministries and missions.

#### **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.

#### 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 (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

#### SUPPORTED MISSIONS

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**Ben** & **Alison Sheldon** – church planting in Connecticut (*thesheldons.net*)

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

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