

# HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

gathered for corporate worship March 26, 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)

March 26, 2023 a day of rest

**Welcome** & **Announcements** 

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**Invocation** Psalm 8:1

"O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!"

Let us pray,

Father, ruler of earth and heaven, we bow before you in this place, for you are all glorious, all wonderous, all holy.

We worship you, O God, our Father, confessing with our hymns and prayers the name of Christ, your Son, whom we acknowledge as Lord indeed.

Grant to us your blessings and presence, your Word and your peace, that we be witnesses of your truth, the reflection of your image, the ambassadors of your kingdom, O sovereign God, all glorious, all wonderous, all holy.

To God be the glory ever on high, to Father, to Son, to Holy Spirit.

Ever one God, for ages and ages. Amen.

From "Leading in Prayer", Hughes Oliphant Old

Call to Worship Colossians 1.15-17

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

## **Songs of Praise**

#### In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground; firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled when strivings cease!
My Comforter my All in All – here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone – who took on flesh – fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied - For every sin on Him was laid: here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain.

Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me.

For I am His and He is mine – bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny.

No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.

Till he returns or calls me home — here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

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#### 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word; Just to rest upon his promise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood; Just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease; Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend; And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Words: Louisa M.R. Stead, 1882

Music: William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882

#### All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well.

Free and changeless is his favor, all is well.

Precious is the blood that healed us;

Perfect is the grace that sealed us;

Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us —

All must be well.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well.

Ours is such a full salvation, all is well.

Happy still in God confiding;

Fruitful if in Christ abiding;

Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding —

All must be well.

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well.

Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well.

On our Father's love relying;

Jesus every need supplying;

Yes in living or in dying —

All must be well.

Words: Mary Bowley-Peters, 1847 Music: Matthew Smith, 2007

**Q.** 63. Which is the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment is, Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Q. 66. What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?

A. The reason annexed to the fifth commandment is, a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory, and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

"Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey. "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

**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**

#### Thy Mercy My God

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song; The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue. Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last Hath won my affection and bound my soul fast.

Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here; Sin would reduce me to utter despair. But through thy free goodness my spirits revive And he that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart. Dissolved by thy goodness, I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies! Thy goodness I own And the covenant love of thy crucified Son. All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

> Words: John Stocker, 1776 Music: Sandra McCracken, 2001

# The Preaching of God's Word

Rev. Ken Counts, Men's Discipleship

"Welding Lives Together"

**Luke 15:11-32** (*p874 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.

#### 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!

**Benediction** Romans 15.13

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Sunday Evening Service**

Please join us at 5:00 PM for a video series entitled "Westminster Confession of Faith" by John Gerstner followed by a Q&A, a time of prayer. Enjoy a potluck and fellowship afterwards.

# **Adult Sunday School Class**

Do you want to understand theological concepts in uncomplicated terms? Then join Mike Carter and Brent Cochran as they co-teach, "Everyone's a Theologian – an Introduction to Systematic Theology" by R.C. Sproul.

#### **Easter Service Breakfast**

Please join us for an Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Please bring a breakfast dish (enough food for your family) to share with everyone. There will be no Sunday school Easter morning. We will eat promptly at 9:30am; Worship starts at 10:45am.

#### **Ladies Bible Study**

The evening study is on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., studying Exodus. The morning study is on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., studying 1-3 John. Childcare will be provided for Wednesday mornings only. Please contact Alina Strain at 316-461-1479 or *alina.strain@gmail.com* for more info and to sign up. Sign-up sheet also located in the foyer."

#### 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*.

# **Sunday School Teachers**

We are in need of children's Sunday School teachers. Please pray about serving the body, and the children, in this wonderful way. This opportunity to serve will truly have an eternal impact on our children. The age groups are 4-6 and 7-10.

#### **Nursery Workers**

We are in need of more workers for the nursery during both Sunday School and morning worship. This is a very important ministry to the whole body and we appreciate your willingness to serve. Please contact Laura Troxel at <code>lauraetroxel@gmail.com</code>, speak to one of the elders, or send an email to <code>elders@harvestpres.com</code>.

# **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.

## **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.

#### 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

## LEADERSHIP TEAM

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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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Onslow Pregnancy Resource Center – oprcfriends.com, 910.938.7000

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

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