



HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*gathered for corporate worship*

December 31, 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)

December 31, 2023  
*a day of worship & rest*

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**Welcome & Announcements**

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**Call to Worship**

*Psalm 95:1-8*

Rev. Jason Petterson

**Songs of Praise**

**All Praise To God Who Reigns Above, no.4**

**Our God Our Help In Ages Past, no.30**

**Invocation**

*Psalm 121:1; 124:8*

I lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

**Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**Prayer of Adoration**

**God's Greeting**

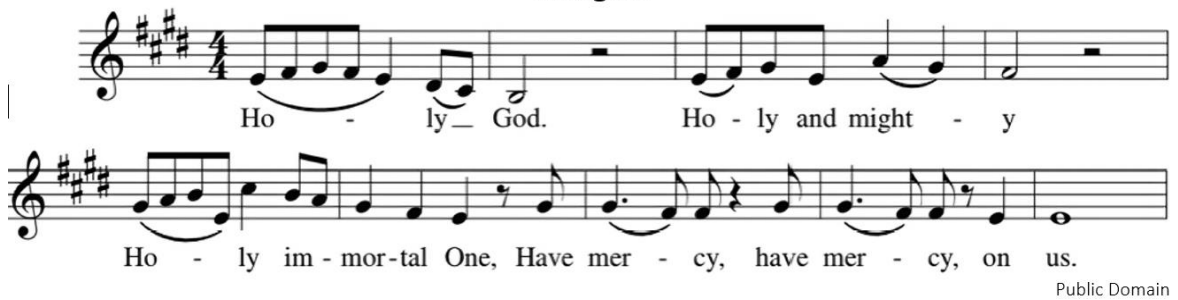
*1 Corinthians 1:2-3 [mod.]*

**Call to Confession of Sin**

*Ecclesiastes 7:20*

## Song of Preparation

### Trisagion



Ho - ly - ly - God. Ho - ly and might - y  
Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy, have mer - cy, on us.

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## Corporate Confession of Sin

**Our Father, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us of our proud thoughts, and our sinful desires and actions. O Lord, hear our prayers and have mercy on us for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*silently confess your sins*

## Declaration of Pardon

*1 Peter 2:22-25*

### **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!

*Keith Getty | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa  
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**Old Testament Reading**

*Psalm 90*

**New Testament Reading**

*2 Corinthians 5:1-10*

### The Day of the Lord (Psalm 37)

It's not long till the boastful are silenced and shamed.  
It's not long till the wealth of the wicked's reclaimed.  
And the ones who have waited with eyes on the Lord  
Will shine like the sun forevermore!  
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Just be still and be faithful and dwell in the land.  
Put your trust in the Savior and cling to his hand.  
When your heart burns with anger for all that is wrong,  
Do not let the dark steal your song.  
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

*It's not long till the day of the Lord,  
It's not long till the day of the Lord!  
Everything that is broken will soon be restored.  
It's not long till the day of the Lord!*

Do not fear for the wicked with weapons of war,  
For the Lord is the shelter and strength of the poor.  
And our God comes with laughter, let Him be your joy.  
The power of the sword, he'll destroy.  
It's not long till the day of the Lord!

*Wendell Kimbrough, 2017*

**Pastoral Prayer**

Tom Phillips, elder

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

## 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.)*

## The Preaching of God's Word

Rev. Jason Petterson

*"Moving Ahead With Christ"*

### **2 Timothy 4:6-8**

*(p996 pew Bible)*

We Will Feast in the House of Zion  
***We will feast in the house of Zion.***  
***We will sing with our hearts restored.***  
***"He has done great things," we will say together.***  
***We will feast and weep no more.***

We will not be burned by the fire;  
He is the LORD our God.  
We are not consumed, by the flood;  
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn  
My soul, be not afraid.  
For the promised morning, oh how long?  
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed;  
You are the faithful one.  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom.

*Sandra McCracken & Josh Moore, 2015*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*\* 'catholic' here means universal*

**Gloria Patri**

*no. 735*

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.

**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 Song

### O Church Arise

O church arise and put your armour on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold – whose battle cry is Love – reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war: to love the captive soul but to rage against the captor.  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valour.  
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure.  
And Christ will have the prize for which he died – an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken.  
Then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet; for the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,  
This victory march continues till the day every eye and heart shall see him.

So Spirit come put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of his grace,  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

*Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, 2005*

### 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! Amen

## 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,  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **HOGGS**

Mark your calendar for the next HOGG'S gathering. **Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>** at five o'clock at the church fellowship hall. We will be having a Soup Exchange. For more info or to RSVP Please contact Mary Respass @ [mwrfrog@suddenlink.net](mailto:mwrfrog@suddenlink.net).

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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 the elders an email and ask to be added to the official Harvest distro list ([elders@harvestpres.com](mailto:elders@harvestpres.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.'

To get into the directory, all you need to do is send Mike Carter, [emcarter51@icloud.com](mailto:emcarter51@icloud.com), an email request to do so and include a family photo if you would like to have one in the directory—a cell phone selfie is sufficient. You can then go to Instant Church Directory, <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com>, and Create a Login for your first access and add as much or as little information as you so desire. Note that only people in the directory will have access to the information therein, so your information/photo will be protected. You can also access the directory using a smart phone. Simply checkout your favorite app store and search for Instant Church Directory. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mike Carter at [emcarter51@icloud.com](mailto:emcarter51@icloud.com) or call at 334-322-0282.

## **Harvest Women's Ministry- Ladies Spring Bible Study**

Come join us for the Spring Ladies' Bible Study that will begin on Jan. 11 from 9:30-11:30 am. We will be studying the book of Hebrews using *Hoping for Something Better*, by Nancy Guthrie. Denny Phillips will be facilitating. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those interested in joining us. Please contact Alina Strain or Denny Phillips for more information.

## **Childcare Need for The Ladies Bible Study**

We are looking for two adults or an adult and a teen to provide childcare during the Ladies' Bible Study beginning January 11. This is a paid position paying \$15/hr for adults and \$10/hr for teens. Please contact Alina Strain or Denny Phillips for more information.

## **Email Communications for Ministry Events**

Please fill out a Pink Sheet (on the bulletin table) and give it to Denny Phillips in order to receive email communications regarding Women's Ministry events and opportunities.

## **Harvest PCA Women's Group on Facebook**

Join the private Facebook group, "Harvest PCA Women's Group (Jacksonville, NC)" for informal communication among members in the group (e.g. if you need a babysitter, have something to sell/buy/give away, or need someone to switch nursery duty with you).

## **TEEN THEOLOGY & PIZZA NIGHT - FRIDAY, JANUARY 12TH AT 6PM**

Harvest Teens are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for an evening of pizza and theology. Once a month leading up towards the summer, Pastor Jason will be teaching and leading a lively discussion on "The Good Life" from a Christian perspective. We will compare and contrast the teachings of Holy Scripture with various worldviews and assumptions about goodness, truth, and beauty. Special attention will be given throughout to the concepts of human happiness and human flourishing.

01/12 - The Image of God and The Good Life: Who are We?

02/09 - Ethics and The Good Life: What are We to Do?

03/08 - Virtue & Vice: Walking with God - Part 1

04/12 - Virtue & Vice: Walking with God - Part 2

05/10 - How Not to Fall Away: A Parable from The Savior

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*worship, nurture & service*

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

**Sept. 10 – May 19**

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

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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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