



First Presbyterian Church

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A service of praise and worship of Almighty God On the Lord's Day

January 14, 2024 ∞ 10:30 in the morning

Order of Worship

(☞-Please Stand)

Preparation for Worship

We invite you to use this time to quietly prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

☞ Call to Worship

Praise the LORD!
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!
Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD,
or declare all his praise?

Psalm 106:1-2

The one true God graciously invites us into his presence to worship him in spirit and in truth, and we eagerly respond in faith. This begins a dialogue which will continue to the end of the service as God initiates with us, and we respond to him.

☞ Prayer of Invocation & 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.

☞ Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

☞ Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Seeking to glorify God by holding out the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community, our country, and our world to impact others to do the same.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you who are rich in mercy to all who call upon you; hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins, and asking your mercy and forgiveness. We've broken your holy laws by our words and deeds, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We admit before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward our fellow men. Father, have mercy on us, and in your great goodness grant that from now on we may serve and please you in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:21

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

⌘ Corporate Confession of Faith

Q. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

Q. How does the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. The Spirit applies to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

Q. What is effectual calling?

A. Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, whereby, convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he does persuade and enable us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel.

Q. What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

A. They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.

WSC Questions 29-32

The Westminster Shorter Catechism is a catechism written in 1646 and 1647 by the Westminster Assembly, a synod of English and Scottish theologians and laymen intended to bring the Church of England into greater conformity with the Church of Scotland.

The purpose of the Shorter Catechism is to educate people in the basic doctrines of the Reformed faith.

Pastoral Prayer

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

Malachi 3:10

With grateful hearts for God's extravagant mercy and blessing, we joyfully present our offerings to the Lord for the ministry of our church and community.

Offertory Song

Jesus, I Come

⌘ The Doxology

The word "doxology," coined in the 17th century, is a combination of the words "glory" and "word." A doxology is a "word of glory," a hymn of praise to the Triune God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), who is one divine nature in three Persons.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Bill Gleason

Series—Romans

"What's in a Name: Glorified"

Romans 8:28-31, 5:1-2

The Lord's Supper

Passing of the Bread

All Sufficient Merit

Passing of the Cup

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

⌘ **O Love that Will Not Let Me Go**

⌘ **Benediction**

Psalm 121:7-8

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Assisting in Worship: Ruling Elder Marshall Davis III

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Bill Gleason

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Sermon Notes

What's in a Word: Glorified

Romans 8:28-31; 5:1-2

Romans 8:28-31

²⁸ And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Romans 5:1-2

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Why Christians Can Rejoice in the "Hope of Glory"

I. Because of Its Certainty

- Glory is guaranteed by the _____ of God (v. 30; Phil 1:6)
- Glory is guaranteed by the _____ of God (Jn 17:24)
- Glory is guaranteed by the _____ of God (Heb 9:12)

II. Because of Its Quality

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Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the Day of Judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

- Glory will satisfy our longing for _____ (Mt 25:23)
- Glory will satisfy our longing for _____ (Mt 13:43)

III. Because of Its Eternity

- The glory of this present world is _____ (Mt 6:28-30; Is 40:6-7)
- The glory of the world to come is _____ (1 Pet 1:4,6; 5:10)

Announcements

This Week

Today	11:45 am	Coffee, Cakes, & Conversation	Fellowship Hall
Wed.	6:30 pm	Prayer Meeting & Dinner	Fellowship Hall
Thurs.	9:30 am	Women's Morning Study	Women's Classroom



Events

LIFE Groups | Life groups meet on Sunday evenings in homes around our area. This is an excellent opportunity to grow in your faith and deepen relationships within the church. This semester kicks off next Sunday, January 21st. If you have not been in a group, and would like to sign up, there are sign up sheets in the Fellowship Hall, as well as a link to sign up in this week's newsletter. If you have questions, please see Crystal Twibell.

Sunday School | Sunday school for all ages resumed this week. It meets from 9:30-10:15 am each week. See Crystal Twibell if you have any questions.

Prayer Meeting | Our monthly prayer meeting and fellowship dinner is this week, on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30 pm.

Student Ministries | Wednesday night study will resume January 24th, with a new series.

Women's Bible Studies | We have prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, and so that study will not meet, however our Thursday group *will* meet at the usual time, 9:30 am, for a time of fellowship and prayer.

Ministry Opportunities

Volunteers needed | We need volunteers in a variety of capacities specifically in the nursery, bringing snacks after service, and ushers. Please see Crystal Twibell to find out how you can help.

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