

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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3rd Sunday after Epiphany
January 21st, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

§ Invites you to
rise in body or
spirit with the
people of God.

PRELUDE

CORDALE HANKINS
PIANO

§ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST

ONE Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

ALL **Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.**

ONE Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us and we are his;

ALL **we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

ONE Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

ALL **For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**
- Psalm 100, NIV

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

HYMN 31

V. 1 To God be the glory, great things He hath done;
so loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Chorus Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

V.2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

V. 3 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our victory, when Jesus we see.

As fallen people, we must be
called from our
worship of the
created and focus
on the proper
worship of the
Creator.

“Man of Sorrows!” What a name
for the Son of God, who came,
ruined sinners to reclaim!
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
in my place condemned He stood;
sealed my pardon with His blood:
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
spotless Lamb of God was He;
full atonement! Can it be?
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die,
“It is finished,” was His cry,
now in heaven exalted high:
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,
all His ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we’ll sing:
“Hallelujah, what a Savior!”

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, who hast mercy upon all -
take away from me my sins,
and mercifully kindle in me the fire of thy Holy Spirit.
Take away from me the heart of stone,
and give me a heart of flesh,
a heart to love and adore you,
a heart to delight in you,
to follow and enjoy you,
for the sake of Jesus my Lord.

(time for silent, individual confession)

Amen.

§ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

§ RESPONSE TO PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

HYMN 614

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.

As members of
Christ’s body,
we confess the
reality of sin
and brokenness
in personal and
common life and
ask for God’s
saving grace.

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

-WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS -

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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;
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.

OFFERTORY

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

§ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

- WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD -

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

DANIEL 3:13-18

LITURGIST

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.
ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE

1 PETER 2:13-25

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SERMON

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– WE GO FORTH TO PROCLAIM –

§ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who out of nothing created heaven and earth
and everything in them,
who still upholds and rules them
by his eternal counsel and providence,
is my God and Father
because of Christ his Son.

I trust him so much that I do not doubt
he will provide whatever I need
for body and soul,
and he will turn to my good
whatever adversity he sends me
in this sad world.

He is able to do this because he is almighty God;
he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

-from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 26

§ CLOSING HYMN

SINCE JESUS CAME INTO MY HEART

HYMN 514

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
since Jesus came into my heart!

Chorus Since Jesus came into my heart,
since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul
like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.

I have ceased from my wandering and going astray,
since Jesus came into my heart!
And my sins, which were many, are all washed away,
since Jesus came into my heart!

I shall go there to dwell in that city, I know,
since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy as onward I go,
since Jesus came into my heart!

§ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

A benediction
is literally a
“good word”
or a blessing to
carry with us
as we leave our
time of wor-
ship.

- SERMON NOTES -

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals are on pause for a few more weeks. Stay tuned for more details.

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Hopewell Presbyterian will be February 11, 2023.

Book Discussion - (*In Good Time*, Jen Pollock Michel) - February 5th - 7:00 at the Manse

January Birthdays: Iris Allender - 2nd; Ellen Fox - 6th; Jami Howland - 8th; Nora Berkley, Melinda Frazier, and Jen Maurer - 10th; Dave Maurer - 11th; Silas Smith - 12th; Dave Baughman - 13th; Katrina Browning - 15th; Jason Allender - 17th; Linda Henderson and Christopher Bolds- 19th; Amy Spencer - 21st; Eric Rose and Thomas Spencer - 26th; Lori Rose - 27th; and Ed Henry - 31st

- PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Cara Kelsay
- Melinda Frazier
- Michael Burgess
- Becky Wertz
- Teena Catt
- Elsie Tarsitano
- Martha Myers - pancreatic cancer
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer - Czech Republic

Homebound: Lester Burton, Hugh Carter, Mary Catt, Norma Jean Fox, Clarellen Kelsay,

-DISCIPLESHIP READING -

WEEK 3: God's Covenant Promise to Abraham

The central promise that drives Old Testament history is that of God to Abraham: a nation coming from his offspring, a land in which to dwell, and the blessing of all nations through him – all by faith.

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| __ Genesis 12 (Abram's call) | __ Matthew 1:1-17 (Abraham to Christ) |
| __ Genesis 14 (Abram and Melchizedek) | __ Romans 4 (Abraham - heir of the world) |
| __ Genesis 15 ("Abram believed God..") | __ Galatians 3 (Justification by faith) |
| __ Genesis 17 (Circumcision) | __ James 2 (On Abraham's testing) |
| __ Genesis 22 (Testing of Abraham) | __ Hebrews 7 (Jesus, Abraham, Melchizedek) |

WCF 7: God's Covenant with Man (#1-4)

1. The distance between God and his creation is so great, that, although reasoning creatures owe him obedience as their creator, they nonetheless could never realize any blessedness or reward from him without his willingly condescending to them. And so it pleased God to provide for man by means of covenants.¹

1. Is 40.13-17, Jb 9.32-33, 1 Sm 2.25, Ps 100.2-3, 113.5-6, Jb 22.2-3, 35.7-8, Lk 17.10, Acts 17.24-25

2. The first covenant made with man was a covenant of works.² In it life was promised to Adam and through him to his descendants,³ on the condition of perfect, personal obedience.⁴

2. Hos 6.7, Gn 2.16-17, Gal 3.10, Rom 5.12,19, 1 Cor 15.22,47, Gal 3.12.

3. Rom 5.12-20, 10.5.

4. Gn 2.17, Gal 3.10; Compare Gn 2.16-17 with Rom 5.12-14, 10.5, Lk 10.25-28, and with the covenants made with Noah and Abraham

3. By his fall, man made himself incapable of life under that covenant, and so the Lord made a second, the covenant of grace.⁵ In it he freely offers sinners life and salvation through Jesus Christ. In order to be saved he requires faith in Jesus⁶ and promises to give his Holy Spirit to all who are ordained to life so that they may be willing and able to believe.⁷

5. Gal 3.21, Rom 3.20-21, 8.3, Gn 3.15, Is 42.6, Mt 26.28, Heb 10.5-10.

6. Mk 16.15-16, Jn 3.16, Rom 10.6,9, Gal 3.11, Acts 16.30-31, Mt 28.18-20, Rom 1.16-17.

7. Ez 36.26-27, Jn 6.37,44-45, 5.37, 3.5-8, Acts 13.48, Lk 11.13, Gal 3.14.

4. This covenant of grace is frequently identified in Scripture as a testament, in reference to the death of Jesus Christ, the testator, and to the everlasting inheritance and everything included in that legacy.⁸

8. Heb 9.15-17, 7.22, Lk 22.20, 1 Cor 11.25.

PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“[Jesus] must have control not only in the big things,
but in the little things also; not only over what we do,
but how we do it. We must submit to Him and His way as
He has been pleased to reveal it in the Bible;
and if what we do does not conform to this pattern, it is an
assertion of our will, it is disobedience, and as repellent as
the sin of witchcraft.”

- *David Martyn Lloyd-Jones*
Studies in the Sermon on the Mount

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