



**Covenant Church  
Presbyterian Church in America  
Fayetteville, Arkansas**

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
THE LORD'S DAY  
January 22, 2023  
10:30 a.m.**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**† Call to Worship**

**Psalm 47:5-7**

<sup>5</sup> God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. <sup>6</sup> Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! <sup>7</sup> For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

**† Invocation & Lord's Prayer**

**Unison**

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.

**† Hymn of Praise**

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**"Glory Be to God the Father"**

**Confession of Sin**    Adapted from Psalm 32:3–5 and Galatians 3:13

When we keep silent, our bones waste away through our groaning all day long. For night and day Your hand is heavy upon us; our strength is dried up as by the heat of summer. But we acknowledge our sins to You. We do not cover our iniquity. We confess our transgressions to You, Heavenly Father, knowing that You will forgive us the iniquity of our sin, because Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us.

**Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Psalm 32:10 & Galatians 6:14**

<sup>10</sup> Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

<sup>14</sup> But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

## **† Hymn of Assurance**

**#338 (TH #252)**

**“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”**

## **† Confession of Faith**

Westminster Shorter Catechism, 82–85

**Q. 82.** Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

**A.** No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word and deed.

**Q. 83.** Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

**A.** Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

**Q. 84.** What doth every sin deserve?

**A.** Every sin deserveth God’s wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

**Q. 85.** What doth God require of us that we may escape His wrath and curse due to us for sin?

**A.** To escape the wrath and curse of God due to us for sin, God requireth of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicateth to us the benefits of redemption.

**Pastoral Prayer**

## Scripture Reading

### **Ezekiel 40:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>In the twenty-fifth year of our exile, at the beginning of the year, on the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after the city was struck down, on that very day, the hand of the Lord was upon me, and He brought me to the city. <sup>2</sup>In visions of God He brought me to the land of Israel, and set me down on a very high mountain, on which was a structure like a city to the south.

<sup>3</sup>When He brought me there, behold, there was a man whose appearance was like bronze, with a linen cord and a measuring reed in his hand. And he was standing in the gateway. <sup>4</sup>And the man said to me, “Son of man, look with your eyes, and hear with your ears, and set your heart upon all that I shall show you, for you were brought here in order that I might show it to you.

Declare all that you see to the house of Israel.” <sup>5</sup>And behold, there was a wall all around the outside of the temple area, and the length of the measuring reed in the man's hand was six long cubits, each being a cubit and a handbreadth in length. So he measured the thickness of the wall, one reed; and the height, one reed. <sup>6</sup>Then he went into the gateway facing east, going up its steps, and measured the threshold of the gate, one reed deep.

### **Ezekiel 41:13-14**

<sup>13</sup>Then he measured the temple, a hundred cubits long; and the yard and the building with its walls, a hundred cubits long; <sup>14</sup>also the breadth of the east front of the temple and the yard, a hundred cubits.

### **Ezekiel 41:21-22**

<sup>21</sup>The doorposts of the nave were squared, and in front of the Holy Place was something resembling <sup>22</sup>an altar of wood, three cubits high, two cubits long, and two cubits broad. Its corners, its base, and its walls were of wood. He said to me, “This is the table that is before the Lord.”

### **Ezekiel 42:13-20**

<sup>13</sup>Then he said to me, “The north chambers and the south chambers opposite the yard are the holy chambers, where the priests who approach the Lord shall eat the most holy offerings. There they shall put the most holy offerings—the grain offering, the sin offering, and the guilt offering—for the place is holy. <sup>14</sup>When the priests enter the Holy Place, they shall not

go out of it into the outer court without laying there the garments in which they minister, for these are holy.

They shall put on other garments before they go near to that which is for the people.” <sup>15</sup> Now when he had finished measuring the interior of the temple area, he led me out by the gate that faced east, and measured the temple area all around. <sup>16</sup> He measured the east side with the measuring reed, 500 cubits by the measuring reed all around. <sup>17</sup> He measured the north side, 500 cubits by the measuring reed all around.

<sup>18</sup> He measured the south side, 500 cubits by the measuring reed. <sup>19</sup> Then he turned to the west side and measured, 500 cubits by the measuring reed.

<sup>20</sup> He measured it on the four sides. It had a wall around it, 500 cubits long and 500 cubits broad, to make a separation between the holy and the common.

## **Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Jay Bruce

### **“Prepared for Glory”**

Worship with Tithes & Offerings

† **Doxology**

**#567 (TH #731)**

### **“Doxology”**

† Prayer of Dedication

† **Closing Hymn**

**#1B**

### **Psalm 1: “How Blest the Man”**

† Benediction

**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**January 22, 2023**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**Ezekiel 40-42**  
**“Prepared for Glory”**

Introduction

I. Mysteries of God (40:1–3)

II. Method of Growth (40:4)

III. Measurements for Glory (40:5–42:20)

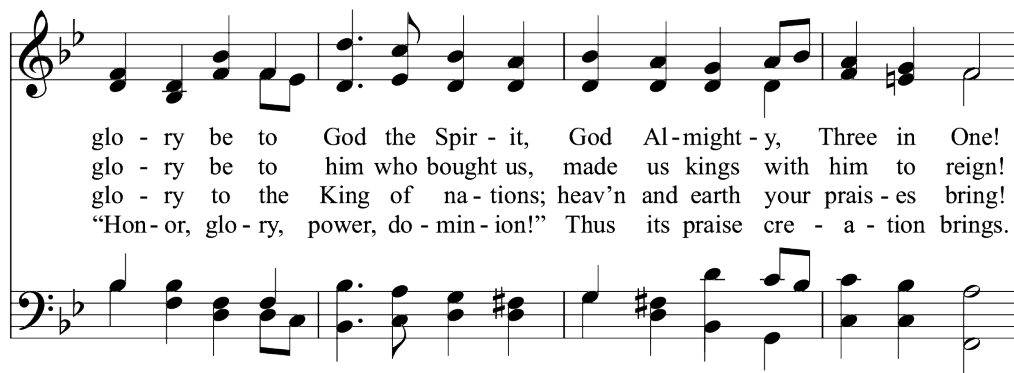
Conclusion

## Glory Be to God the Father

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1. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to God the Son,  
 2. Glo - ry be to him who loved us, washed us from all sin and stain;  
 3. Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, glo - ry to the church -'s King,  
 4. "Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings.



glo - ry be to God the Spir - it, God Al - might - y, Three in One!  
 glo - ry be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign!  
 glo - ry to the King of na - tions; heav'n and earth your prais - es bring!  
 "Hon - or, glo - ry, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings.



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry be to him a - lone.  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the Lamb that once was slain!  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! To the King of glo - ry sing!  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the might - y King of kings!

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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the  
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and  
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
 death of Christ my God: all the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and  
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709

HAMBURG L.M.  
 Gregorian chant  
 Arr. Lowell Mason, 1824

## DOXOLOGIES

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## Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

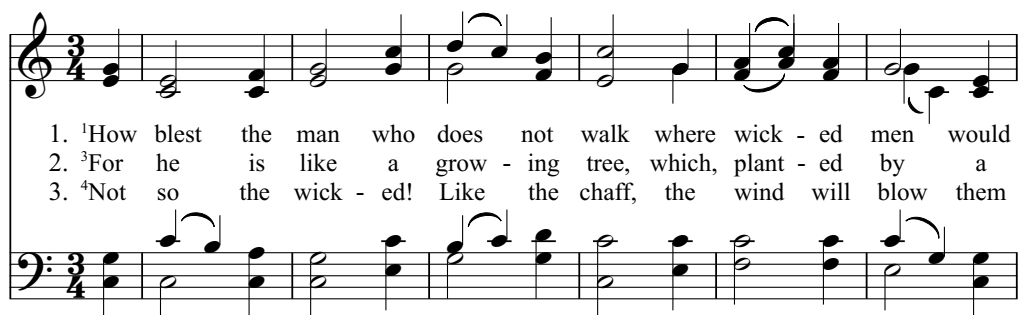
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

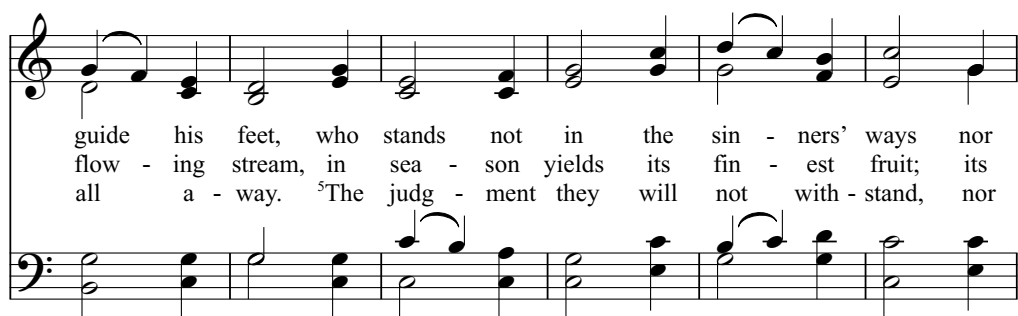
Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.  
Louis Bourgeois, 1551

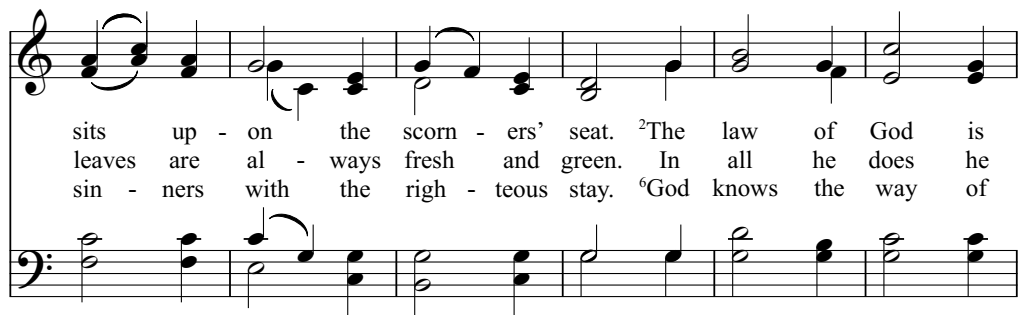
# Psalm 1B



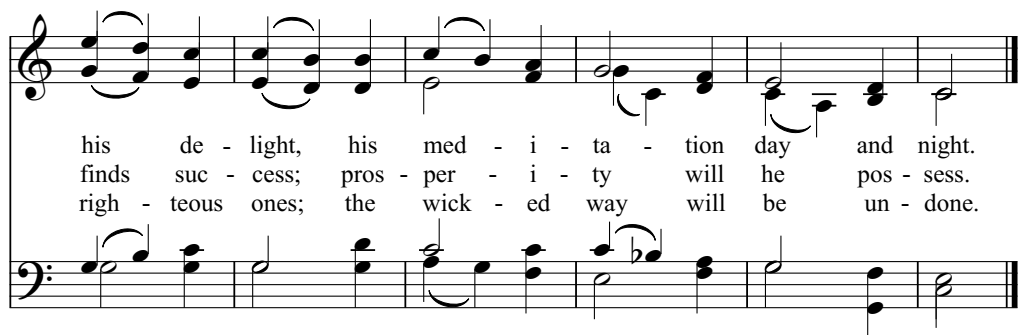
1. <sup>1</sup>How blest the man who does not walk where wick - ed men would  
 2. <sup>3</sup>For he is like a grow - ing tree, which, plant - ed by a  
 3. <sup>4</sup>Not so the wick - ed! Like the chaff, the wind will blow them



guide his feet, who stands not in the sin - ners' ways nor  
 flow - ing stream, in sea - son yields its fin - est fruit; its  
 all a - way. <sup>5</sup>The judg - ment they will not with - stand, nor



sits up - on the scorn - ers' seat. <sup>2</sup>The law of God is  
 leaves are al - ways fresh and green. In all he does he  
 sin - ners with the righ - teous stay. <sup>6</sup>God knows the way of



his de - light, his med - i - ta - tion day and night.  
 finds suc - cess; pros - per - i - ty will he pos - sess.  
 righ - teous ones; the wick - ed way will be un - done.