



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

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
THE LORD'S DAY  
April 16, 2023  
5:00 p.m.**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**†Call to Worship**

**†Opening Hymn**

#8A

“O Lord, Our Lord, in All the Earth”

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading**

Proverbs 12:12-22

<sup>12</sup> Whoever is wicked covets the spoil of evildoers, but the root of the righteous bears fruit. <sup>13</sup> An evil man is ensnared by the transgression of his lips but the righteous escapes from trouble. <sup>14</sup> From the fruit of his mouth a man is satisfied with good, and the work of a man's hand comes back to him. <sup>15</sup> The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice. <sup>16</sup> The vexation of a fool is known at once, but the prudent ignores an insult.

<sup>17</sup> Whoever speaks the truth gives honest evidence, but a false witness utters deceit. <sup>18</sup> There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. <sup>19</sup> Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment. <sup>20</sup> Deceit is in the heart of those who devise evil, but those who plan peace have joy. <sup>21</sup> No ill befalls the righteous, but the wicked are filled with trouble. <sup>22</sup> Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who act faithfully are his delight.

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

“The Fruit of the Righteous”

**†Closing Hymn**

**#533**

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

**†Benediction**

**Sermon Outline**  
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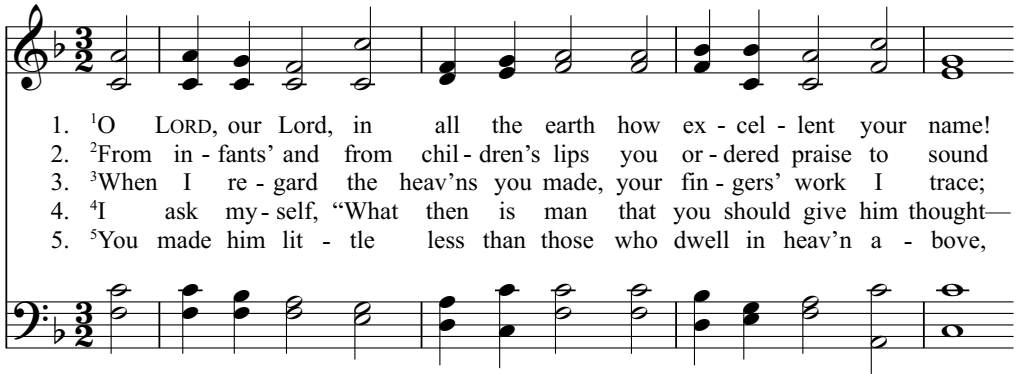
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**“The Fruit of the Righteous”**

Introduction

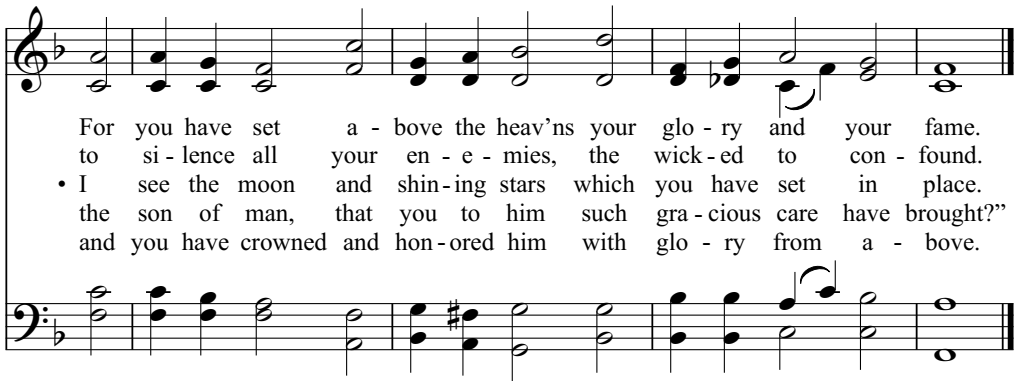
1. God expects fruit from the righteous (v. 12)
2. Fruitful speech bears witness to the truth (v. 13-21)
3. God hates lies (v. 22a)
4. God delights in the faithful (v. 22b)

Conclusion

## Psalm 8A



1. <sup>1</sup>O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how ex - cel - lent your name!  
2. <sup>2</sup>From in - fants' and from chil - dren's lips you or - dered praise to sound  
3. <sup>3</sup>When I re - gard the heav'ns you made, your fin - gers' work I trace;  
4. <sup>4</sup>I ask my - self, "What then is man that you should give him thought—  
5. <sup>5</sup>You made him lit - tle less than those who dwell in heav'n a - bove,



For you have set a - bove the heav'ns your glo - ry and your fame.  
to si - lence all your en - e - mies, the wick - ed to con - found.  
• I see the moon and shin - ing stars which you have set in place.  
the son of man, that you to him such gra - cious care have brought?"  
and you have crowned and hon - ored him with glo - ry from a - bove.

6. <sup>6</sup>You made him ruler of the works created by your hand;  
you placed all things beneath his feet to be in his command:

7. <sup>7</sup>All sheep and oxen, birds and fish, all beasts both wild and tame.  
<sup>8</sup>O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how excellent your name!

# Have Thine Own Way, Lord!



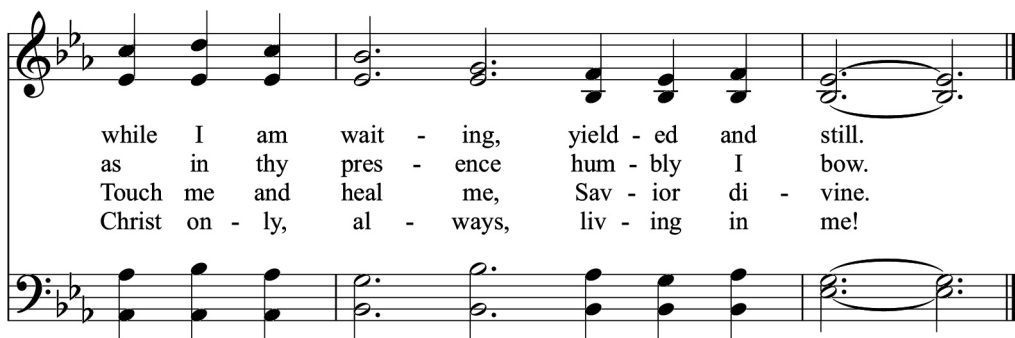
1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
 2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
 3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
 4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!



Thou art the pot - ter, I am the clay.  
 Search me and try me, Mas - ter, to - day!  
 Wound - ed and wea - ry, help me, I pray!  
 Hold o'er my be - ing ab - so - lute sway!



Mold me and make me af - ter thy will,  
 Whit - er than snow, Lord, wash me just now,  
 Pow - er, all pow - er, sure - ly is thine!  
 Fill with thy Spi - rit 'til all shall see



while I am wait - ing, yield - ed and still.  
 as in thy pres - ence hum - bly I bow.  
 Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine.  
 Christ on - ly, al - ways, liv - ing in me!