



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

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY**

August 13, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements

Please join us next Sunday morning at 9 a.m. for our study of J. Gresham Machen's "Christianity and Liberalism." Next week, Liam Carr will lead us again through Chapter Six: "Salvation."

We have PDF chapters of the book available for free download on the church website.

For anyone interested in learning about the history, design, and capabilities of the organ, Harrison will be leading a masterclass on Friday, August 18th at 2p.m. The masterclass is entitled "A pauper's perspective on the king of instruments."

The last Women's Book discussion meeting for the Summer will be on Thursday, August 24th at 9:30am. The book they will be discussing is "For the Body" by Timothy Tennent.

Women's weekly Bible study beginning Thursday, September 7th at 9:30am. They will be studying "Westminster Confession Study Guide" by Joseph Pipa. Books are available in late August.

Contact Judy Smith for more details.

Childcare will be provided.

† Call to Worship

Psalms 121:1

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

† 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

#216 (TH#53)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Confession of Sin

O Father, we are gathered before You, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, we have not loved You with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In Your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred.

But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With You, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In Your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love You with a holy love. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

† Hymn of Assurance

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"Lord, from the Depths to You I Cry!"

† **Confession of Faith**

Westminster Confession Ch. 16, sec. 1-2

1. Good works are only such as God hath commanded in His holy Word, and not such as, without the warrant thereof, are devised by men, out of blind zeal, or upon any pretense of good intention.
2. These good works, done in obedience to God's commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith: and by them believers manifest their thankfulness, strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren, adorn the profession of the gospel, stop the mouths of the adversaries, and glorify God, whose workmanship they are, created in Christ Jesus thereunto, that, having their fruit unto holiness, they may have the end, eternal life.

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

3 John 1:5-8

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⁵ Beloved, it is a faithful thing you do in all your efforts for these brothers, strangers as they are, ⁶ who testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their journey in a manner worthy of God. ⁷ For they have gone out for the sake of the name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. ⁸ Therefore we ought to support people like these, that we may be fellow workers for the truth.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

“The Importance of Hospitality”

Worship with Tithes & Offerings

† **Doxology**

#567 (TH #731)

“Doxology”

† Prayer of Dedication

† **Closing Hymn**

#502 (TH #565)

“All for Jesus!”

† **Benediction**

SERMON OUTLINE
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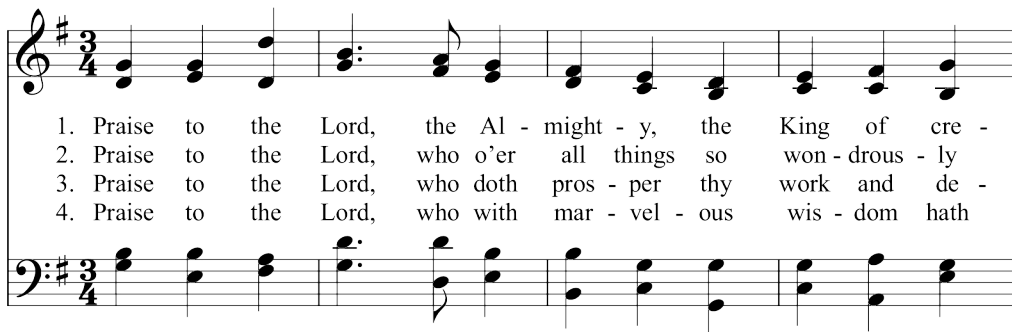
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Introduction

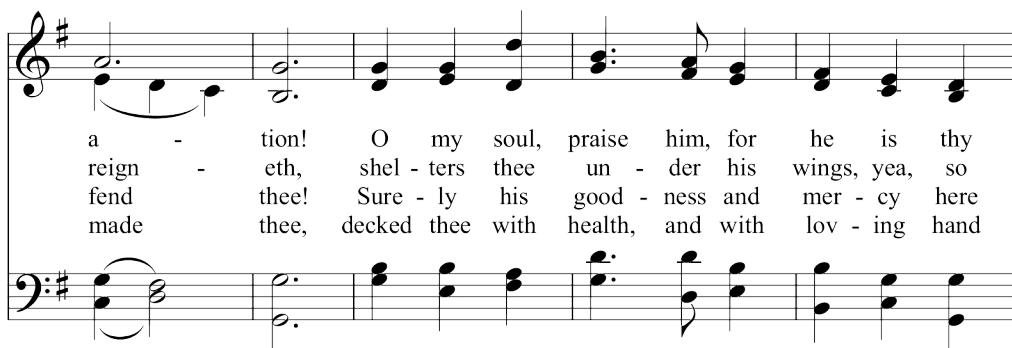
- I. Entertaining Strangers (v. 5)
- II. Furthering the Gospel (v. 6)
- III. Supporting workers for the Truth (v. 7-8)

Conclusion

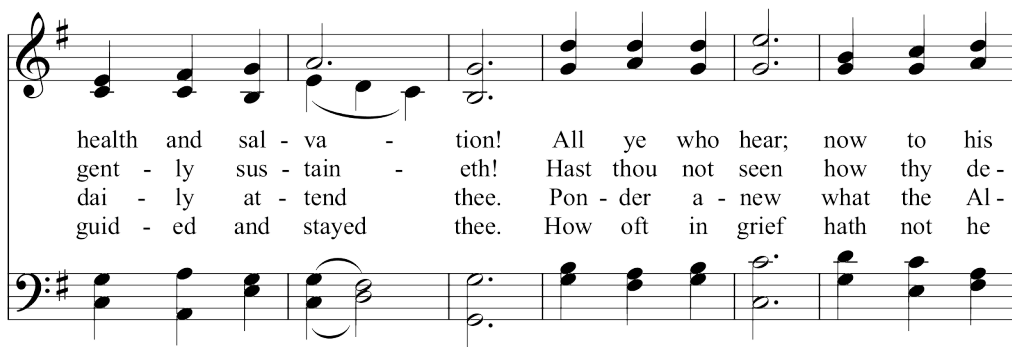
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear; now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 dai - ly at - tend thee. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad a - do - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!

5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
 All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
 Let the amen sound from his people again;
 gladly fore'er we adore him.

Based on Psalm 103
 Joachim Neander, 1680
 Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt. 1990

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8.
Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Stralsund, 1665
 Arr. in Johann Crüger, *Praxis Pietatis Melica*, 1668

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

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1. My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thy maj - es - ty how bright!
 2. Won - drous are thine e - ter - nal years, O ev - er - last - ing Lord,
 3. O how I fear thee, liv - ing God, with deep - est, ten - d'rest fears,
 4. Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al - might - y as thou art,
 5. No earth - ly fa - ther loves like thee, no moth - er half so mild

How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat, in depths of burn - ing light!
 by ho - ly an - gels day and night un - ceas - ing - ly a - dored!
 • and wor - ship thee with trem - bling hope and pen - i - ten - tial tears!
 for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.
 bears and for - bears, as thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child.

6. How wonderful, how beautiful,
 the sight of thee will be,
 thine endless wisdom, boundless pow'r,
 and awesome purity!

7. Father of Jesus, Love divine,
 what rapture it will be,
 prostrate before thy throne to lie,
 and gaze and gaze on thee!

From Psalm 113
 Frederick W. Faber, 1848; alt. 1961, 1990

ST. ETHELDREDA C.M.
 Thomas Turton, 1780–1864

130A LORD, from the Depths to You I Cry!

1. ¹LORD, from the depths to you I cry!

2. ³If you, O LORD, should mark our sins,

3. ⁵I wait, my soul a - waits the LORD;

4. ⁷O Is - r'el, hope in God the LORD,

²O Lord, to me give ear and give at - ten - tion
then who, O Lord, could stand? ⁴But par - don can be
my hope is in his word. ⁶Yes, more than watch - men
for mer - cy is with him; ⁸with great re - demp - tion

to my voice; my cry for mer - cy hear.
found with you that you may fear com - mand.
wait for dawn, my soul a - waits the Lord.
he will save his Is - r'el from all sin.

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

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All for Jesus!

1. All for Je - sus! All for Je - sus! All my be - ing's ran - sored pow'rs,
 2. Let my hands per - form his bid - ding, let my feet run in his ways;
 3. World - lings prize their gems of beau - ty, cling to gild - ed toys of dust,
 4. Since my eyes were fixed on Je - sus, I've lost sight of all be - side;
 5. O what won - der! How a - maz - ing! Je - sus, glo - rious King of kings,

all my thoughts and words and do - ings, all my days and all my hours.
 let my eyes see Je - sus on - ly, let my lips speak forth his praise.
 • boast of wealth and fame and plea - sure; on - ly Je - sus will I trust.
 so en - chained my spir - it's vi - sion, look - ing at the Cru - ci - fied.
 deigns to call me his be - lov - ed, lets me rest be - neath his wings.

Mary D. James, 1889

WYCLIFF 8.7.8.7.
John Stainer, *The Crucifixion*, 1887

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From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

1. From depths of woe I raise to thee the voice of lam - en - ta - tion;
 2. To wash a - way the crim - son stain, grace, grace a - lone, a - vail - eth;
 3. There - fore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own mer - it;
 4. What though I wait the live - long night, and 'til the dawn ap - pear - eth,
 5. Though great our sins and sore our woes, his grace much more a - bound - eth;