



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

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
THE LORD'S DAY  
August 13, 2023  
5:00 p.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 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. The book they will be discussing is "For the Body" by Timothy Tennent.

Women's weekly Bible study beginning Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

**† Opening Prayer**

**† Hymn of Praise**

**# 446 (TH#642)  
"Be Thou My Vision"**

Pastoral Prayer

## **Scripture Reading**

**Genesis 14:17-24**

Page #10 in your pew Bible

<sup>17</sup> After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). <sup>18</sup> And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) <sup>19</sup> And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; <sup>20</sup> and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. <sup>21</sup> And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself." <sup>22</sup> But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have lifted my hand to the Lord, God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth, <sup>23</sup> that I would not take a thread or a sandal strap or anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.'<sup>24</sup> I will take nothing but what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me. Let Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre take their share."

## **Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

**"The Ministry of Melchizedek and Abraham"**

## **† Hymn of Preparation**

**#338 (TH #252)**

**"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

## **The Sacrament of Lord's Supper**

## **† Closing Hymn**

**#119H**

**"You, Lord, Are the Portion"**

## **† Benediction**

**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**August 13, 2023**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**Genesis 14:17-24**  
**“The Ministry of Melchizedek and Abraham”**

Introduction

1. Melchizedek’s Provision for Abraham (v. 18-19)
2. Abraham’s Blessing of Melchizedek (v. 20)
3. Abraham’s Rejection of the World (v. 21-24)

Conclusion

## Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all  
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er  
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my  
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -  
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by  
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,  
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,  
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,  
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.  
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vis - ion, O Rul - er of all.

## 338

## 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

## 119H

## You, LORD, Are the Portion

1. <sup>57</sup>You, LORD, are the por - tion that I long for,  
 2. <sup>59</sup>When I search my ways and all my con - duct,  
 3. <sup>61</sup>Though the wick - ed tie me up with bind - ings,  
 4. <sup>63</sup>Those who fear you are my best com - pan - ions,

I have pledged o - be - dience to your word.  
 then I turn my foot - steps to your way.  
 I do not for - get your ho - ly law.  
 all who keep your pre - cepts and your ways.

<sup>58</sup>I with all my heart have sought your fa - vor;  
<sup>60</sup>I make haste to fol - low your com - mand - ments;  
<sup>62</sup>E'en at mid - night I will rise to praise you,  
<sup>64</sup>LORD, the earth is full of your great mer - cy,

grant me grace, as you have prom - ised, LORD.  
 I will hur - ry and will not de - lay.  
 for your rules are righ - teous, O my God.  
 teach me all your righ - teous laws, I pray.