



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

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

**August 20, 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, Phil Schenewerk will lead us through Chapter Seven: "The Church."  
We have PDF chapters of the book available for free download on the church website.

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.

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> convening at 10:30 AM concluding at the end of worship, for the purpose of electing new ruling elders. Phil Schenewerk and Nathan Jarvis have been approved by the session to stand for the office of ruling elder.

**† Call to Worship**

**Psalms 100**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! <sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. <sup>4</sup> Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! <sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

† 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

#100B

**"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"**

### **Confession of Sin**

Holy and righteous God, we confess that like Isaiah, we are a people of unclean lips. But it is not only unclean lips we possess. We are people with unclean hands and unclean hearts. We have broken Your law times without number, and are guilty of pride, unbelief, self-centeredness, and idolatry. Affect our hearts with the severity of our sin and the glory of Your righteousness as we now acknowledge our sins in Your holy presence. We have had other gods before You.

We have taken Your name in vain. We have not kept Your Day holy. We have murdered in our hearts. We have committed adultery with our eyes. We have stolen what is not ours and coveted what belongs to others. We have lied to you and to others. God, we have sinned against Your mercy times without number. Our iniquities have gone over our heads. If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? How shall we answer You?

We lay our hands on our mouths. We have no answer to your righteous wrath and just judgment, except for the one you have provided for us through the death of Christ. Amen.

Silent Confession

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Isaiah 53:5-6**

But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

## **† Hymn of Assurance**

**#342 (TH #257)**

**“Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”**

## **† Confession of Faith**

Westminster Confession of Faith 11.1

Those whom God effectually calleth He also freely justifies not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their persons as righteous: not for anything wrought in them, or done by them, but for Christ's sake alone; nor by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other evangelical obedience to them, as their righteousness;

but by imputing the obedience and satisfaction of Christ unto them, they receiving and resting on Him and His righteousness by faith; which faith they have not of themselves, it is the gift of God.

Pastoral Prayer

## **Scripture Reading**

**3 John 1:9-15**

*Pew Bible page number 1026*

<sup>9</sup> I have written something to the church, but Diotrephes, who likes to put himself first, does not acknowledge our authority. <sup>10</sup> So if I come, I will bring up what he is doing, talking wicked nonsense against us. And not content with that, he refuses to welcome the brothers, and also stops those who want to and puts them out of the church. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, do not imitate evil but imitate good. Whoever does good is from God; whoever does evil has not seen God. <sup>12</sup> Demetrius has received a good testimony from everyone, and from the truth itself. We also add our testimony, and you know that our testimony is true. <sup>13</sup> I had much to write to you, but I would rather not write with pen and ink. <sup>14</sup> I hope to see you soon, and we will talk face to face. <sup>15</sup> Peace be to you. The friends greet you. Greet the friends, each by name.

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

**“True Verses False Teachers”**

Worship with Tithes & Offerings

† **Doxology**

**#571 (TH #735)**

**“Gloria Patri”**

† Prayer of Dedication

† **Hymn of Preparation**

**#196 (TH #420)**

**“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”**

**The Sacrament of Lord’s Supper**

† **Closing Hymn**

**#450 (TH #508)**

**“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”**

† Benediction

**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**August 20, 2023**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**3 John 1:9-15**  
**“True Verses False Teachers”**

Introduction

- I. The Marks of Bad Teachers (v. 9-10)
  
- II. The Marks of Good Teachers (v. 11-12)
  
- III. The Importance of Face to Face Fellowship (v. 13-15)

Conclusion

## 100B

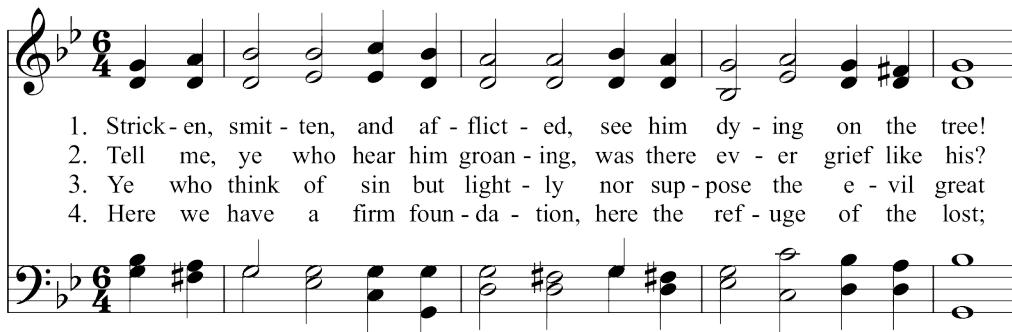
## All People That on Earth Do Dwell

1. <sup>1</sup>All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing  
 2. <sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD is God in - deed; he  
 3. <sup>4</sup>O en - ter then his gates with joy, with -  
 4. <sup>5</sup>Be - cause the LORD our God is good, his

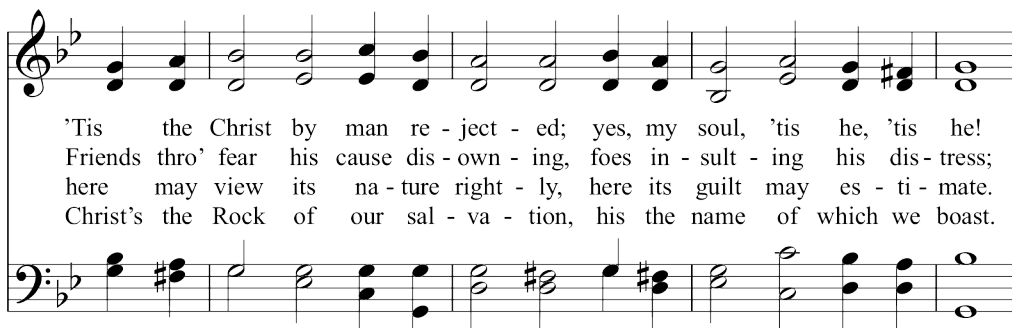
to the LORD with cheer - ful voice. <sup>2</sup>Serve him with joy, his  
 formed us all with - out our aid. We are the flock he  
 in his courts his praise pro - claim! Let thank - ful songs your  
 mer - cy is for - ev - er sure. His faith - ful - ness at

prais - es tell, come now be - fore him and re - joice!  
 sure - ly feeds, the sheep who by his hand were made.  
 tongues em - ploy. O bless and mag - ni - fy his name!  
 all times stood and shall from age to age en - dure.

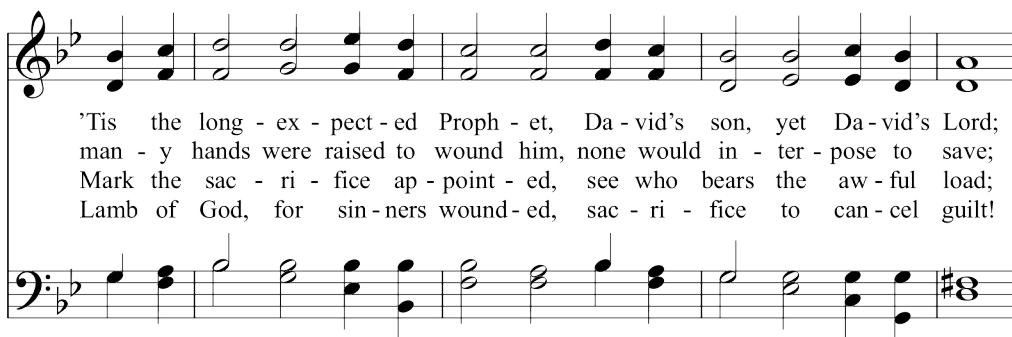
## Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



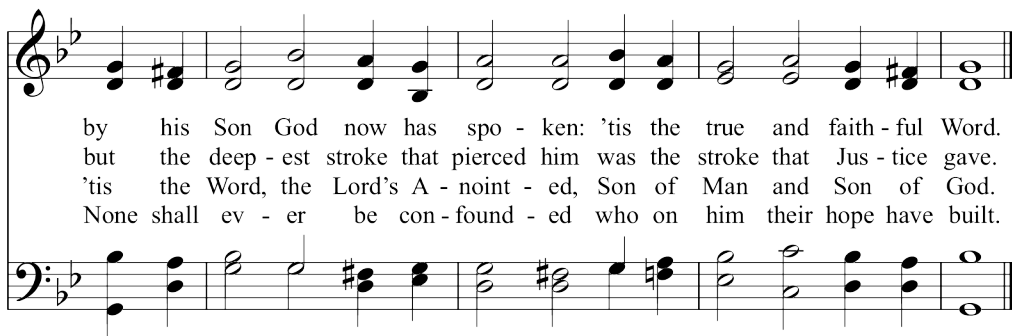
1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!  
 2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?  
 3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great  
 4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;



'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!  
 Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;  
 here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.  
 Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.



'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's son, yet Da - vid's Lord;  
 man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;  
 Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;  
 Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!



by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word.  
 but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.  
 'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.  
 None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

## Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of musical notation for 'Gloria Patri' is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bass staff begins with a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody in the treble staff is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half). The bass staff accompaniment is: G3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), D3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), A2 (half).

Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody is: D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half). The bass staff accompaniment is: G3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), D3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), A2 (half).

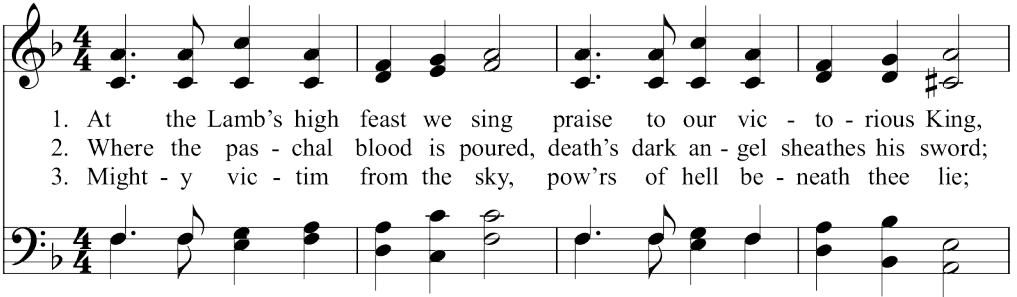
now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. The treble staff melody is: D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half). The bass staff accompaniment is: G3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), D3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), B2 (quarter), A2 (half).

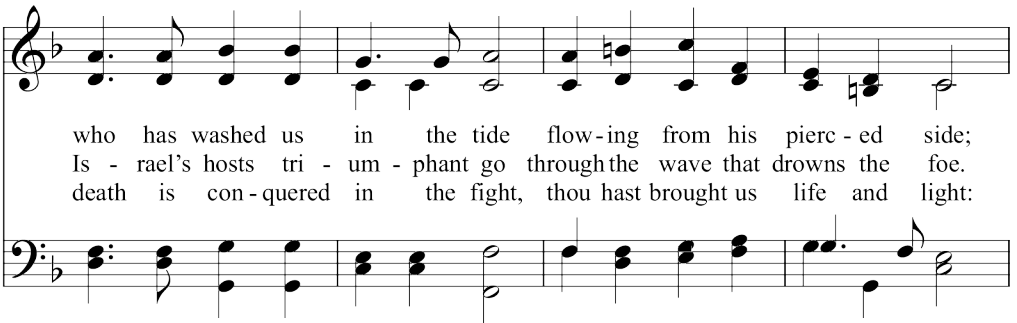


## At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

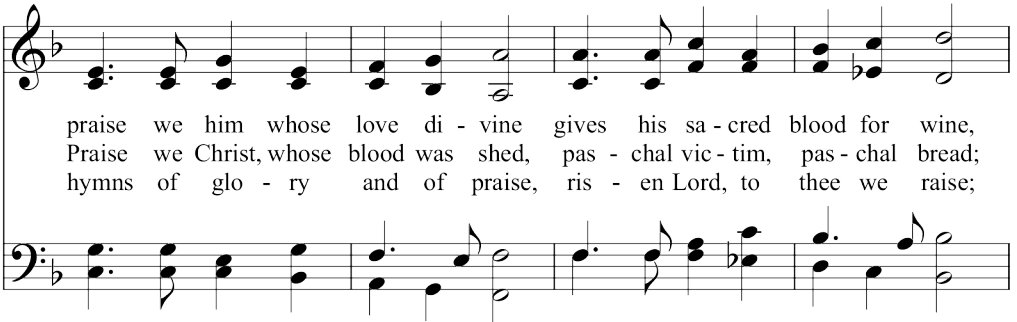
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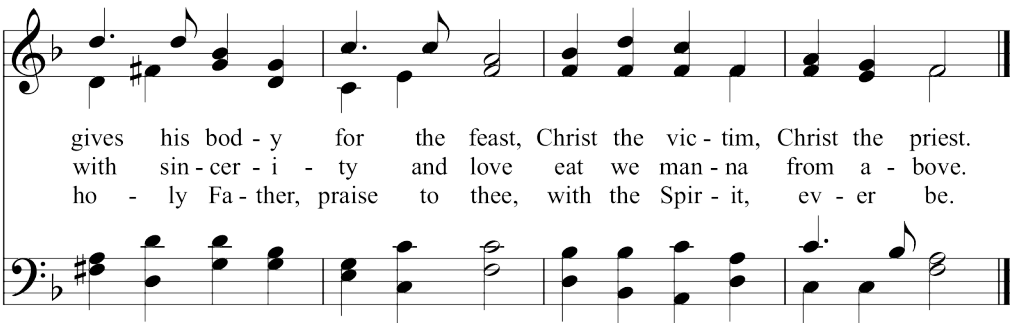
1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,  
 2. Where the pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;  
 3. Might - y vic - tim from the sky, pow'rs of hell be - neath thee lie;



who has washed us in the tide flow-ing from his pierc - ed side;  
 Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.  
 death is con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light;



praise we him whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred blood for wine,  
 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal vic - tim, pas - chal bread;  
 hymns of glo - ry and of praise, ris - en Lord, to thee we raise;



gives his bod - y for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.  
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.  
 ho - ly Fa - ther, praise to thee, with the Spir - it, ev - er be.

## Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bos - om fly,  
 2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on thee;  
 3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:  
 4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er all my sin;

while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is high:  
 leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort me!  
 raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
 let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in:

hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, 'til the storm of life is past;  
 All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
 Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness;  
 thou of life the foun - tain art, free - ly let me take of thee;

safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last!  
 cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.  
 false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.  
 spring thou up with - in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.