



COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PCA

The Lord's Day

June 25, 2023

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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## Preparation for Worship

**Music for Gathering**

**Announcements**

**Scripture for Meditation**

Hebrews 12:28

“Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.”

**Silent Prayer of Preparation**

## God Calls Us Into His Presence

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† **Salutation**

Pastor: We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalm 124:8

† **Call to Worship**

Psalm 95.1-3

## We Respond to God's Call

†\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 3**

*Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

† **Prayer of Adoration**

## God Cleanses Us of Our Sins

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**Call to Confession**

Psalm 45:3

Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart.

† Congregation stands as able

\* Arriving worshippers may be seated

## We Confess Our Sins

(congregation kneels as able)

**All:** Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. [*Silent prayer of confession*] Amen.

## + Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”

## We Respond to God’s Declaration of Forgiveness

### + The Gloria Patri

(with hands lifted)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, amen.*

### +\* Hymn of Praise, No. 172

*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

## God Consecrates us By His Word

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### Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament Reading

**Habakkuk 1:1-4, 3:17-19**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

### + Hymn No. 1 (Psalm 100)

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

### + New Testament Reading

Romans 1:1-17

### + Congregational Response

Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades,

People: **But the word of our God stands forever.**

### Sermon

*“Misplaced Expectations and Rediscovered Faith”*

# We Respond to God's Instruction

## † Affirmation of Faith

*The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

*\*catholic=universal*

## † Prayer of Supplication and Intercession

† **The Lord's Prayer**

**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**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

† **Doxology, No. 731**

(with hands lifted)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**God Communes with Us at His Table**

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**The Communion**

**Eucharistic Meditation and Fencing of the Table**

**Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ**

**Hymn No. 420 (hymnal insert)**

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

**Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ**

(Outermost ring of cups contain grape juice; all others contain wine)

**Silent Prayer**

**Prayer**

**We Respond to God's Gift**

† **Hymn of Commitment, No. 580**

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

**Congregational Response: Amen!**

# **God Commissions Us to Go Into the World**

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† **Charge**

† **Benediction**

## **We Respond to God's Charge**

† **Threefold Amen, No. 740**

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