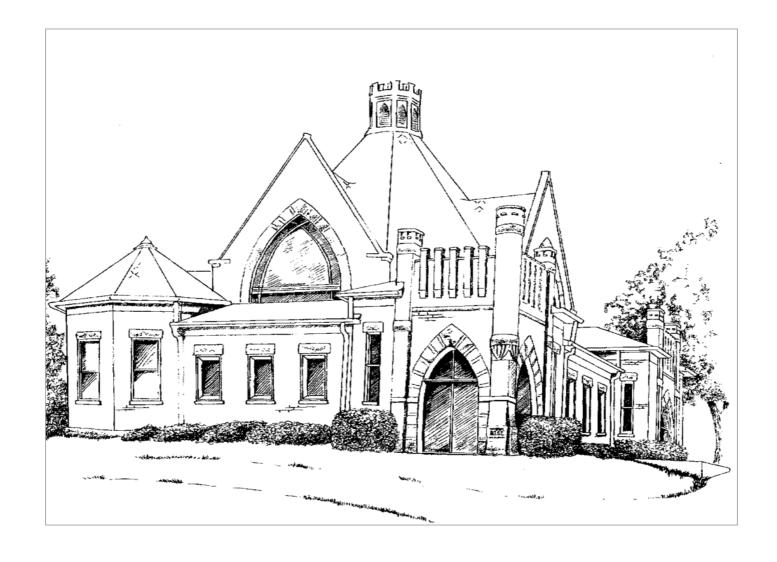
# Service for the Lord's Day

# HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Hopewell Presbyterian Est. 1831

Third Sunday in Lent March 12th, 2023 | 10:30 am Worship Service

# -WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

Let us now prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

§ Invites you to rise in body or spirit with the people of God.

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PRELUDE

Verso II in G minor

Domenico Zipoli

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

Prayer of Invocation

LITURGIST

ELDER

As fallen people, we must be called from our worship of the created and focus on the proper worship of the Creator.

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God. Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people, so that we will not grow weary and lose heart. -from Hebrews 12:2-3, NIV

§ HYMN OF PRAISE COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Hymn 4

Come, Thou Almighty King, help us Thy name to sing, help us to praise: Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, gird on Thy mighty sword, our prayer attend; come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour: Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore.
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

# § CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our great shepherd, you tenderly gather us as lambs, carrying us with your all-embracing love. Yet, like sheep, we wander from you: following our own ways, ignoring your voice, distrusting your provisions. Forgive our stubborn rebellion, our hardened hearts, our lack of trust. Refresh us once again by your quiet waters of mercy and restore our souls by your redeeming love. Guide our paths, that we might follow you more closely . . . (Silent confession)
Through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd, we pray. Amen.

As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

# § Assurance of Pardon

### § RESPONSE TO PARDON GLORIA PATRI

**Hymn 614** 

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.

# -We Share Our Life & Gifts -

We bring our concerns, joys, and burdens to the Lord in prayer and give out of love and awe.

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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;

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.

# OFFERTORY/CHORAL ANTHEM

THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

KAREN MARROLLI

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.

There'a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n.

There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement giv'n.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind. And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

If our love were but more faithful, we would rest upon God's Word, and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

# § RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

Doxology

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.

### § Prayer of Dedication

# - We Proclaim God's Word -

"Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice"

PHILIPPIANS 1:18

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 56:1-8

Liturgist

ONE This is the word of the Lord.

ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALTER 32C

WHAT BLESSEDNESS

Music on page 6

What blessedness belongs to him who has forgiven been, for whom trangressions have been cleared, and covered is his sin.
Blessed is the one for whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit is no taint of insincerity.

I languished, silent in my guilt; my days were filled with groans.
On me Your hand pressed day and night, and heat dried up my bones.
My sin I then confessed to You, not hiding guiltiness;
I said, "I will before the LORD transgressions now confess."

Then You released me from my sin, and took its guilt away.
And therefore while You may be found, let all the godly pray.
They'll not be harmed by rising floods.
In You I hide in peace;
You keep me safe, surrounding me with songs of my release.

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### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE

Acts 19:1-20

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SERMON

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# - We Go Forth to Proclaim -

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" Romans 10:15

## § Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# § CLOSING HYMN

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

Hymn 303

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me; see, on the portals He's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

(Chorus)
Come home, come home,
ye who are weary, come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not His mercies, mercies for you and for me?

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing, passing from you and from me; shadows are gathering, death's night is coming, coming for you and for me.

(Verse 4 is on the next page.)

Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

A benediction is literally a "good word" or a blessing to carry with us as we leave our time of worship.

O for the wonderful love He has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

# § BENEDICTION

**P**OSTLUDE

Versi I, III in G minor

Domenico Zipoli

-SERMON NOTES -

- Questions to Ponder -

What stood out to ME?

Where did I see Jesus in this Sermon?

What questions/thoughts do I have?

# 32C Psalm 32:1-7

### What Blessedness

David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works. —Romans 4:6



- 1. 1 What bless-ed-ness be-longs to him Who has for-giv-en been,
- 2. <sup>3</sup>I lan-guished, si-lent in my guilt; My days were filled with groans.
- 3. Then You re-leased me from my sin, And took its guilt a way.



For whom trans-gres-sions have been cleared, And cov-ered is his sin.

<sup>4</sup>On me Your hand pressed day and night, And heat dried up my bones.

<sup>6</sup>And there-fore while You may be found, Let all the god-ly pray.



<sup>2</sup>Blessed is the one for whom the LORD Counts no in-iq - ui - ty,

<sup>5</sup>My sin I then con-fessed to You, Not hid-ing guilt-i - ness;

They'll not be harmed by ris-ing floods. <sup>7</sup>In You I hide in peace;



And in whose spir-it is no taint Of in-sin-cer-i-ty.

I said, "I will be-fore the LORD Trans-gres-sions now con-fess."

You keep me safe, sur-round-ing me With songs of my re-lease.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

**Wednesday Night:** The **Meal** is at 6:00, **Bible Study** is at 6:30, and **Choir** is at 7:00. Sign-up sheets for meal-teams and clean-up are available in Fellowship Hall. **We need some meal-team volunteers!** 

**Men's Lenten Breakfast Schedule:** March 18th, Greenwood, and April 8th, Franklin. All breakfasts begin at 7:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Liverett (317) 501-0140.

### - PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Adara Mink physical therapy for scholiosis and hip turning in
- Alberta Satter
- Becky Wertz
- Clarellen Kelsay in-home rehab
- Danny Nickelson pancreatic cancer
- Delores Weaver
- Eric Pasborg (heart problems; at home)
- Grayson Unruh
- Jan Martin (in hospice care)
- Jean Williams
- Katrina Browning (upcoming surgery, March 16th)
- Lester Burton
- Letty Cherian pancreatic cancer
- Martha Myers pancreatic cancer
- Maxie Gardner
- Rick Moss
- Sally Henderson (cancer)
- Scott Vandenberg
- Zack Firks urgent need for kidney
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer Czech Republic
- Earthquake victims and rescue workers in Turkey and Syria
- Residents of East Palestine, Ohio

March Birthdays: Amy Jones - 2nd; Barb Dirks - 4th; Michele Burgess - 8th; Grace Haehl and Cathy Johnson - 13th; Elaina Smith - 14th; Jake Findley and Joann Esteb - 18th; Harrison Wicker - 21st; Jackson Lee - 23rd; Brent Henderson and Janet Tearman - 27th; Mary Catt and Sable Tearman - 31st

Attendance: March 5th, 110

### DISCIPLESHIP READING -

Encountering God in your daily life is the best way to grow your relationship with our Redeemer. This reading plan from Table Talk magazine leads us through all the main genres of the Bible each week. Join us as we read through the majority of the Bible in a year.

SUNDAY	Philippians 3-4	Epistles
MONDAY	Leviticus 10-12	The Law
TUESDAY	II Kings 1-5	History
WEDNESDAY	Psalm 78-80	Psalms
THURSDAY	Proverbs 8-9	Poetry
FRIDAY	Ezekiel 19-24	Prophecy
SATURDAY	Luke 17-18	Gospel

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Choral Anthem: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy - Karen Marrolli

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### - WEEKLY AT HOME LITURGY -

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

- Psalm 67:3-5

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands. Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be sure that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. Be thankful to him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endures from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. - Book of Common Prayer (1552)

#### READING OF THE LAW

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's." - Exodus 20:1-17

#### Confession of Sins

O Father, receive again the thing which you have created. O Son, receive the thing which you have governed. O Holy Spirit, fetch the thing which you so bountifully have preserved. Three persons and one very God I entreat you: remember not my offenses forever. For I cry, Lord God and Father, *mercy*. Lord God Son, *mercy*. Lord God Holy Spirit, *mercy*. Amen.

- Martin Luther

### Assurance of Pardon

But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. - Galatians 6:14-16

#### **PRAISE**

Glory be 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. - Gloria Patri

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Grant, Almighty God, that as you shine on us by your Word, we may not be blind at midday, nor willfully seek darkness, and thus lull our minds asleep; but may we be roused daily by your words, and may we stir up ourselves more and more to fear your name and thus present ourselves and all our pursuits as a sacrifice to you, that you may peaceably rule, and perpetually dwell in us, until you gather us to your celestial habitation, where there is reserved for us eternal rest and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- John Calvin

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Bible reading plan (see Discipleship Reading Plan)

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Restore my soul, O God. There are green pastures around me for which my eye has no lens; there are quiet waters beside me for which my ear has no chord; restore my soul. The path on which I go is already the path of your righteousness; open my eyes, that I may behold its windows. The place I call dreadful is even now the house of the Lord; the heavens shall cease to hide you when you have restored my soul. May I be content to know that your goodness and mercy shall follow me without waiting to see them in advance of me. Amen.

- George Matheson

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by your name; your kingdom come; your 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.

#### WEEKLY CATECHISM

As a church body, we affirm the Westminster Confession of Faith. The confession, written in 1648, serves as the confessional anchor of Presbyterian doctrine and includes a catechism to teach the faith in churches. Each week we work our way through 3-5 questions from the Westminster Shorter Catechism to both learn and remind ourselves of the faith that we profess. Pastor Brandon would love to talk to you when difficult sections come up.

### Q. 19. What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under His wrath and curse, and so made liable to all the miseries of this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

# Q. 20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

A. God, having out of His mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

### Q. 21. Who is the redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one Person, forever.

### To Ponder Prayerfully

# "God so often blesses his people not because of themselves but despite themselves."

- Kevin DeYoung

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