

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28th, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

ELDER

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

§ HYMN OF PRAISE TO GOD BE THE GLORY

HYMN 31

Verse 1 To God be the glory, great things He hath done;
so loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Chorus Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

Verse 2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Verse 3 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our victory, when Jesus we see.

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

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

One: The Lord who calls us to worship today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

All: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom
and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

Verse 1 Jesus, keep me near the cross,
there a precious fountain,
free to all, a healing stream,
flows from Calvry's mountain.

(Chorus) In the cross, in the cross
be my glory ever,
till my ransomed soul shall find
rest beyond the river.

Verse 2 Near the cross, a trembling soul,
love and mercy found me;
there the Bright and Morning Star
shed His beams around me.

Verse 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
bring its scenes before me;
help me walk from day to day
with its shadow o'er me.

Verse 4 Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,
hoping, trusting ever,
till I reach the golden strand,
just beyond the river.

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you are the help of all who seek you and the hope of all who find you. And yet at times our eyes are blind to your presence and our trust is placed in principalities and powers that lead us astray. Draw near to us. Correct us. Inspire us. Enlighten us. Move us to acknowledge your holiness, and let us stand amazed in your presence. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. 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. Amen.

- WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS -

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.

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

§ 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 -

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 67

LITURGIST

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.
ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE

JOHN 21: 20-25

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

SERMON

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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.

– WE GO FORTH TO PROCLAIM –

§ 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

BLESSED ASSURANCE

HYMN 362

Verse 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Chorus This is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Savior all the day long;
 this is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
 visions of rapture now burst on my sight:
 angels descending bring from above
 echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Verse 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
 I in my Savior am happy and blest:
 watching and waiting, looking above,
 filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

§ BENEDICTION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFESSING THE FAITH - Tuesdays at 9:30 am. A study of the Westminster Confession of Faith meets weekly in the pastor's study.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER TIME - 10:00 am in the pastor's study.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS & SOON TO BE COLLEGE GRADUATES- If you have a soon to be graduate please let Kathleen know - kathleen@hopewellpc.org.

CONFIRMATION MEETING - Parents of kids interested in confirmation, are invited to attend an informational meeting for this falls upcoming confirmation study. The meeting will be Sunday, June 2nd, immediately following worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADERS - VBS is in need of group leaders. The leader would help beginning with dinner, guide kids to their different stations and help manage the kids while at their different activities. If interested in volunteering please let Jessica Brown - jnbrown211@gmail.com or Amy Davidson - aedavidson@yahoo.com know.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL; "SHINE" - "Arise, Shine; For thy light is come" - This years VBS will be June 17th - 20th. The meals will be every evening starting at 5:30 - 6:00 with VBS immediately following.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS: Michael Jones - 1st; Clarellen Kelsay, Jaime Shilts, Martha St. Clair, and Sam Albright - 2nd; Eric Howland, Jim McMillion - 7th; Luke Davidson, Melba Wicker - 9th; Jenna Schmitt - 11th; Jenna Browning and Kathy Henderson - 13th; Tripp Brown - 14th; Debbie Myers - 15th; Nikolai Shergi - 17th; Garrett Snyder - 19th; Chad Tearman and Felicity Faris - 21st; Diana Fox and Sarah Smith - 22nd; Josie Albright, Chad Findley - 30th

PRAYER REQUESTS: Ashley Kelly, Lindsey & Nick Milto, Becky Wertz, Mark & Stacey Grapengater and The Table Denver, Eric Pasborg, Brandon Rice, Vickie Huck, Debbie Jones, Joan Jones (Mike Jones mom), John Spencer, Liam Schmitt, Rex Thornbury, Melinda Frazier, Michael Burgess, Martha Myers, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

HOMEBOUND Lester Burton, Hugh Carter, Mary Catt, Norma Jean Fox, Clarellen Kelsay, Pat Mundorff, Alberta Satter, Becky Wertz, Jean Williams

ATTENDANCE: April 21st - 104; April Average - 106 ; YTD Avg.- 107

-WEEKLY DISCIPLESHIP -

Week 16 - (Partial) Restoration from Exile - Though the Northern Kingdom is never fully restored (rather, repopulated with Samaritans), the Southern Kingdom is released under Persian rule to rebuild the temple. But things are never quite the same.

__ Ezra 1-6 (Return under Cyrus, rebuilding)

__ Nehemiah 8-9 (Covenant renewal)

__ Haggai 1 (Encouragement to rebuild)

__ John 4 (Jesus and the Samaritan woman)

Welcome to Hopewell Presbyterian Church

Hopewell is a historic congregation rooted in the reformed tradition and the truth of the gospel, telling the story of Jesus to a modern world.

Core Values

Worship

We are committed to worship that connects us to the church in history and at the same time is accessible to our community today. We worship God together through reformed liturgy that is rich, accessible and emotionally honest. Through vibrant, expectant worship, we long for Jesus to become more beautiful.

Spiritual Formation

Growing in our relationship with Jesus does not come from determination or grit, but from embracing our dependence on Him. We seek to be a place where all are encouraged and equipped to be more like Jesus.

Community

As a gospel-transformed community, we seek to be a place of meaningful relationships marked by love, honesty, vulnerability, service and forgiveness.

Outreach

Because God has blessed us, we seek to serve and bless others in His Name.

Hospitality

As a people who have been welcomed in by the work of Christ, we extend the welcome of the gospel to members, visitors, and neighbors.

Interested in joining the Hopewell Family?

If you've been visiting and would like to make your membership official, the process is simple:

1. Schedule some time with Pastor Brandon so he can share with you the essentials of our faith, answer any questions you might have, and give you an opportunity to share your story and how God is working in your life.
2. Attend a brief meeting with elders from our church before worship on the Sunday you would like to join. This is an opportunity for you to introduce yourself and affirm your agreement with the essentials of the Christian faith.
3. Join us in worship so that we can welcome and pray for you.

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“The Christian’s comfort is not grounded on how he or she feels, but on the firm foundation of God’s promises.”

-John Calvin

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