

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Third Sunday of Easter  
April 23rd, 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.

## PRELUDE

WAS GOTT TUT, DAS IST WOHLGETAN  
PARTITA 3

JOHANN PACHELBEL

## § CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST

ONE Loving God,  
we come to you in worship and thanksgiving.  
You are greater than we can understand;

ALL **open our eyes that we may see the wonderful truths  
you have shown to us in Jesus.**

ONE You are more loving than our hearts can respond to;

ALL **help us to give ourselves to you in worship  
so that we learn what you want us to be.**

ONE You are wiser than we can know;

ALL **still our minds as we worship you  
so that we can understand  
the things you are saying to us.**

ONE Loving God, in Jesus  
you chose to come to the world in humility.  
You chose the path the world saw as foolish.  
You used what the world considered weak.

ALL **We worship and adore you. Amen.**

## § HYMN OF PRAISE

THE STRIFE IS O'ER

HYMN 191

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
The strife is o'er, the battle done,  
the victory of life is won;  
the song of triumph has begun. "Alleluia!"

The powers of death have done their worst  
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:  
let shouts of holy joy outburst. "Alleluia!"

The three sad days are quickly sped,  
He rises glorious from the dead:  
all glory to our risen Head! "Alleluia!"

He closed the yawning gates of hell;  
the bars from heaven's high portals fell;  
let hymns of praise His triumphs tell! "Alleluia!"

Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,  
from death's dread sting thy servants free,  
that we may live, and sing to Thee. "Alleluia!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

## § CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I, a poor sinner, confess myself before you,  
my Lord God and Maker,  
that sadly I have sinned much, with my senses,  
thoughts, words and deeds,  
as you eternal God, know very well.  
I regret them, and beg your grace.  
Almighty, and eternal, and merciful God,  
forgive us our sin and lead us to eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*- from Bullinger's Christian Order Liturgy*

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 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.

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 compas-  
sion for the least  
ones among us.

## OFFERTORY/CHORAL ANTHEM

Over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

Oh, when the world is silent,  
I hear music in the air.  
Oh, when the world is silent,  
I hear music in the air.  
Oh, when the world is silent,  
I hear music in the air.  
There must be a God somewhere.

And when I'm feeling lonely,  
I hear music in the air.  
and when I'm feeling lonely,  
I hear music in the air.

And when I'm feeling lonely,  
I hear music in the air.  
There must be a God somewhere.

Now when I think on Jesus,  
I hear music in the air.  
Now when I think on Jesus,  
I hear music in the air.  
Now when I think on Jesus,  
I hear music in the air.  
There must be a God somewhere.

**§ 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**

PSALM 56

LITURGIST

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

**SONG OF PRAISE**

YOU ARE ALWAYS GOOD

MUSIC ON PAGE 6

Looking back,  
I can see Your fingerprints upon my life  
always seeking my best.  
There were times  
when Your way would make no sense;  
but as You said, You have never left.

(Chorus)  
You are always good; You are only good.  
You are always good to me.  
Though my eyes can't see, help my heart believe  
You are always only good.

Looking in,  
I can see my frailty; my sin is great,  
and my strength is so small.  
Still You stay, and Your mercy shelters me;  
You hold my hand, and You hear my call.

Looking up,  
I can see Your sympathy;  
I doubt myself, but I'm sure of Your love.  
Lavish grace was poured out at Calvary,  
securing me for our home above.

## DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

### SERMON SCRIPTURE

ACTS 21:1-36

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

### 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

#### Q. What is my only comfort, in life and in death?

A. My only comfort in life and in death is  
that I am not my own,  
but belong -  
body and soul,  
in life and in death -  
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.  
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.  
He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven:  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Because I belong to him,  
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,  
assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready  
from now on to live for him.  
*- Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1*

### § CLOSING HYMN

THINE BE THE GLORY

HYMN 188

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave clothes where Thy body lay.

(Chorus)

Thine is the glory, risen conquering Son:  
Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let His Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing;  
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life!  
Life is nought without Thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors, through Thy deathless love:  
bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.

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 wor-  
ship.

## § BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan, Johann Pachelbel  
Partita 5

-SERMON NOTES -

- QUESTIONS TO PONDER -

WHAT STOOD OUT TO ME?

WHERE DID I SEE JESUS IN THIS SERMON?

WHAT QUESTIONS/THOUGHTS DO I HAVE?



# You Are Always Good

CHLOE

Chris Anderson

Jonathan Hamilton

D A/C# G/B D/A G D/F#

1. Look - ing back, I can see Your fin - ger - prints up - on my life al - ways  
2. Look - ing in, I can see my frail - ty; my sin is great, and my  
3. Look - ing up, I can see Your sym - pa - thy; I doubt my - self, but I'm

Em9 Asus A D A/C# G/B D/A

seek - ing my best. There were times when Your way would make no sense; but  
strength is so small. Still You stay, and Your mer - cy shel - ters me; You  
sure of Your love. Lav - ish grace was poured out at Cal - va - ry, se -

G D/F# Em9 A D

as You said, You have nev - er my left.  
hold cur - ing my hand, and You our hear - er my call.  
me for our home a - bove.

Refrain B min G D/F# A/C# D B min G D/F# Asus A

You are al - ways good; You are on - ly good. You are al - ways good to me.

B min G D/F# F# F# A# B min B min G Asus A D

Though my eyes can't see, help my heart be - lieve You are al - ways on - ly good.

## 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!**

**Parents of children, nursery through high school,** are invited to dinner on Sunday, April 30th, at the Hopewell Manse from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. During our time together we'll get to know one another better and learn more about the children's ministry classes and a Wednesday evening confirmation class being offered this fall. No need to bring anything for dinner, but your favorite beverage to share. Child care is available for children ages 2-12 years at the church from 4:45- 7:30 PM. The kiddos will enjoy pizza and a movie. A link to sign-up will be emailed out soon.

**Deacon's Meeting - Sunday, May 7th, 9:00 a.m.**

### - PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Alberta Satter
- Becky Wertz
- Christie Smith - lymphoma and histoplasmosis
- Clarellen Kelsay - in-home rehab
- Danny Nickelson - pancreatic cancer
- Delores Weaver
- Don Jolley - upcoming back surgery
- Eric Pasborg (needs a heart transplant)
- Jami Howland (recovery from back surgery)
- Jean Williams
- Lester Burton
- Letty Cherian - pancreatic cancer
- Linda Mink's mother and sister
- Martha Myers - pancreatic cancer
- Maxie Gardner
- Michelle Plummer
- Rick Moss (cancer)
- Sally Henderson (cancer)
- Scott Vandenberg (recovery from transplant)
- Te Marchand - has chronic pain and her sister was killed in a car wreck
- Zack Firks - urgent need for kidney
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer - Czech Republic
- Tornado victims and rescue workers in Indiana and other states
- Families, friends, and staff of Covenant Presbyterian School in Tennessee
- Residents of East Palestine, Ohio

**April Birthdays:** Michael Jones - 1st; Clarellen Kelsay, Jaime Shilts, Martha St. Clair, and Sam Albright - 2nd; Jim McMillion - 7th; Luke Davidson - 9th; 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; and Josie Albright - 30th

Attendance April 16th - 109



## 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.

<input type="checkbox"/>	SUNDAY	I Timothy 1-3	Epistles
<input type="checkbox"/>	MONDAY	Numbers 1-4	The Law
<input type="checkbox"/>	TUESDAY	I Chronicles 5-9	History
<input type="checkbox"/>	WEDNESDAY	Psalms 96-98	Psalms
<input type="checkbox"/>	THURSDAY	Proverbs 17-18	Poetry
<input type="checkbox"/>	FRIDAY	Daniel 7-12	Prophecy
<input type="checkbox"/>	SATURDAY	John 5-6	Gospel

Prelude: *Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan, Partita 3* - Johann Pachelbel  
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Choral Anthem: *Over My Head* - African-American Spiritual  
Arr. John L. Bell  
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Song of Praise - *You Are Always Good*  
Chris Anderson/Jonathan Hamilton  
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Postlude: *Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan, Partita 5* - Johann Pachelbel  
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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

*1 Timothy 6:13-16*

**PRAYER OF ADORATION**

With what shall we come before you, O Lord? Or bow ourselves in your presence, O you Most High God? Cause us to come unto you in faith: mentioning no other name, pleading no other righteousness, and trusting in no other atonement than the name, righteousness, and atonement of your blessed Son and our adorable Mediator Jesus Christ. In him, we desire to be found; through him, we hope for favor with you, and acceptance in your sight. Blessed be your goodness for the mercies of the day, for the blessings of your providence, the comforts of your Spirit, and the privileges we enjoy. Amen.

*-Augustus Toplady*

**READING OF THE LAW**

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.  
You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

*-Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

O Lord, in whose hands are life and death, by whose power I am sustained, and by whose mercy I am spared - look down upon me with pity. Forgive me that I have until now so much neglected the duty which you have assigned to me, and suffered the days and hours of which I must give account to pass away without any endeavor to accomplish your will. Make me to remember, O God, that every day is your gift, and ought to be used according to your command. Grant me, therefore, so to repent of my negligence, that I may obtain mercy from you, and pass the time which you shall yet allow me in diligent performance of your commands, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*- Samuel Johnson*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The LORD, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

*- Exodus 34:6-7*

**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. Amen.

*-Gloria Patri*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning - grant us that we may in such a way hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*-Book of Common Prayer (1552)*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Bible reading plan (see Discipleship Reading Plan)

## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Almighty God, heavenly Father, because we are so weak in ourselves that we cannot stand even for a moment, and moreover, our sworn enemies - the devil, the world, and our own flesh - do not cease to attack us; will you, therefore, keep and strengthen us by the power of your Holy Spirit, so that we may firmly resist them and not go down to defeat in this spiritual war, but remain persistent until we finally obtain the complete victory and reign together with your Son, our Lord and Protector Jesus Christ, in your kingdom forevermore. Amen.

*-Zacharias Ursinus*

## 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. 45. Which is the first commandment?**

A. The first commandment is, Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

### **Q. 46. What is required in the first commandment?**

A. The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify Him accordingly.

### **Q. 47. What is forbidden in the first commandment?**

A. The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, or not worshiping and glorifying, the true God as God, and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to Him alone.

### **Q. 48. What are we specially taught by these words before me in the first commandment?**

A. These words before me in the first commandment teach us, that God, who seeth all things, taketh notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other god.

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“To make intercession for men  
is the most powerful and practical way  
in which we can express our love for them.”

- *John Calvin*

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