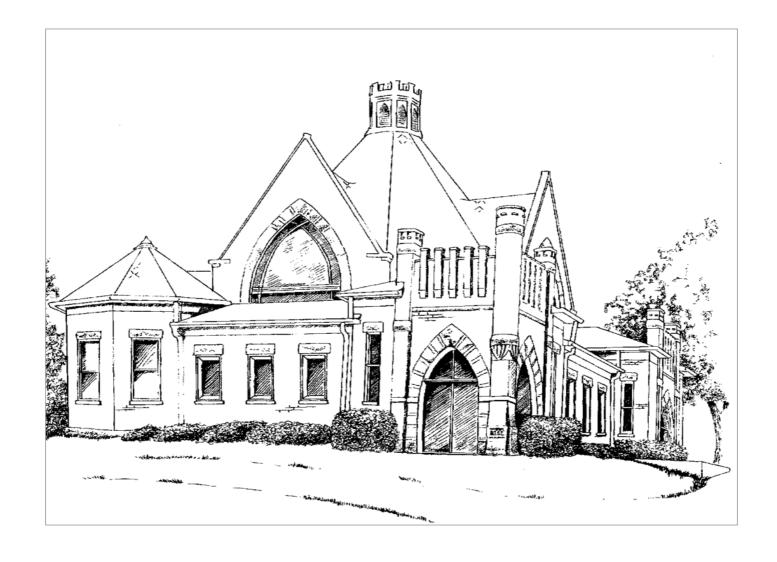
Service for the Lord's Day

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Hopewell Presbyterian Est. 1831

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 20th, 2023 | 10:30 am Worship Service § Invites you to rise in body or spirit with the people of God.

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

-We Gather to Praise -

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Elder

Prelude Aurelia, Op. 1, No. 3

SCOTT ROBERTS

SCOTT ROBERTS, ORGAN

§ Call to worship

LITURGIST

ONE There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

ALL All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

-from Psalm 86:8-10, NRSV

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Hymn 22

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth; let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever!

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life.

My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ.

Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me from taking delight in you. 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.

We pray for the

God created the

world and cares for it. To abide

in God's love is

to share God's

the world. Our prayers should

therefore be as specific as God's

tender compassion for the least ones among us.

concern for

world because God loves it.

§ 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

§ 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

New Testament Lesson

Luke 19:1-10

LITURGIST

ONE This is the word of the Lord.

ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

Sing praise to the LORD, who in Zion does dwell; Among all the peoples His great doings tell. When blood He avenges, His mem'ry is clear; The cry of the poor never fades from His ear.

LORD, see what I suffer from malice and hate; Have mercy! O lift me away from death's gate; In gates of the daughter of Zion I'll praise, Rejoicing in Your mighty power to save.

The nations are sunk in the pit they prepared; Their foot in the net that they hid is ensnared. The LORD by His judgment has made Himself known; He catches the wicked in snares of their own.

The wicked to death's realm of darkness are brought; All nations who would not keep God in their thoughts. Forgotten no longer the cause of the weak, Nor perished forever the hope of the meek!

Arise, LORD, that man may not make himself strong; Let nations be judged in Your presence for wrong. O LORD, put Your fear and Your terror in them; Let nations know truly that they are mere men.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:15

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

SERMON

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL

REV. Brandon Jolley

- We Go Forth to Proclaim -

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

§ Affirmation of Faith

Q73. Which is the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment is, Thou shalt not steal.

Q74. What is required in the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment requireth the lawful procuring and furthering the wealth and outward estate of ourselves and others.

Q75. What is forbidden in the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment forbiddeth whatsoever doth, or may, unjustly hinder our own, or our neighbor's, wealth or outward estate.

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.

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins, and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains; lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains; and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day, and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away; wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away; and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power, till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more; be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more; till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply, redeeming love has been my theme and shall be till I die; and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; redeeming love has been my theme and shall be till I die.

When this poor lisping, stammering tongue lies silent in the grave, then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy power to save; I'll sing thy power to save, I'll sing Thy power to save; then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy power to save.

§ BENEDICTION

§ PostludeScott Roberts

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

-SERMON NOTES -

QUESTIONS TO PONDER -

WHAT STOOD OUT TO ME?

WHERE DID I SEE JESUS IN THIS SERMON?

What questions/thoughts do I have?



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- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Deacon's Meeting - Sunday, September 3rd, at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Ministry Dinner - Wednesday, August 30th, 6:00 p.m., at the manse.

Choir - The annual Choir Workshop will be Saturday morning, September 9th. All choir members or potential choir members are encouraged to attend. More details will be posted soon.

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School (classroom in the basement by the elevators) 10:15 a.m. - Preschool Class 11:00 a.m. - Jr. Church (dismissed during the Worship Service)

Wednesday Prayer - 10:30 a.m.

- PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Alberta Satter recovery from broken hip
- Bill Weaver recovery from stroke
- Danny Nickelson pancreatic cancer
- Eric Pasborg heart
- Erleen Faris cardiac catheterization on 8/23
- Judy Huber upcoming knee surgery on 8/31
- Katrina Browning upcoming surgery on 9/14
- Leigh Wicker surgery on 8/23
- Letty Cherian pancreatic cancer
- Marilyn Hiser
- Martha Myers pancreatic cancer
- Nora Mae Phillips in hospice care
- Rick Moss cancer treatment
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer Czech Republic

Homebound: Alberta Satter, Clarellen Kelsay, Hugh Carter, Lester Burton, Jean Williams, Mary Catt, and Norma Jean Fox

Sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Bobbie Harsch.

August Birthdays: Hadley Ditmars - 4th; Debbie Picek - 8th; Leigh Morning-Wicker - 10th; Chuck Mathena - 13th; Rick Smith - 14th; Andrew Spencer, Donna Harsch, and Mirabelle Allender - 15th; Bradley Berkley - 17th; Mark Myers - 18th; Betty Jo Hobert - 20th; Cindy Williams - 21st; Les Mink - 24th; Doug Demaree - 25th; Shelley Grissom - 25th; Jacob Hash - 28th; and Jonathan Schmitt - 31st

Attendance: August 13th - 116

- 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	II John	Epistles
MONDAY	Deuteronomy 26-28	The Law
TUESDAY	Nehemiah 10-13	History
WEDNESDAY	Psalm 143-145	Psalms
THURSDAY	Song of Solomon 3-4	Poetry
FRIDAY	Revelation 7-11	Prophecy
SATURDAY	Acts 23-24	Gospel

Prelude: Aurelia, Op. 1, No. 3

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- WEEKLY AT HOME LITURGY -

CALL TO WORSHIP

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

- Psalm 92:1-4

PRAYER OF ADORATION

You, Lord, have become my hope, my comfort, my strength, my all! In you does my soul rejoice. The darkness vanished from before my eyes, and I beheld you, the sun of righteousness. When I loved darkness, I knew you not, but wandered on from night to night. But you led me out of that blindness; you took me by the hand and called me to yourself, and now I can thank you, and your mighty voice which has penetrated to my inmost heart. Amen.

- Augustine

READING OF THE LAW

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ: Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. . . . You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect. . . . Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. . . . Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. . . . So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 5:20, 48, 6:1, 33; 7:12

CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we acknowledge and confess that we indeed were conceived and born in sin and, therefore, inclined to all evil and slow to all good; that we unceasingly transgress your holy commandments, and corrupt ourselves more and more. But we are sorry for this and desire your grace and help. Therefore, have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father, through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us your Holy Spirit, so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness from the depth of our heart, feel true contrition and grief for them, die to them completely, and please you wholly in a new, godly life.

- Martin Bucer

Assurance of Pardon

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

- I Corinthians 15:3-4

PRAISE

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. - Gloria Patri

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O heavenly Father, whose law is perfect, converting the soul; a sure testimony, giving wisdom to the unlearned, and enlightening the eyes - we humbly implore you, through your boundless goodness, to enlighten our blind intellect by your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly understand and profess your law and live according to it. Since it has pleased you, most merciful Father, to reveal the mysteries of your will only to the little ones; and since you look to him alone who is of a humble and contrite spirit, who has reverence for your Word, grant us a humble spirit and keep us from all fleshly wisdom, which is enmity against you. Bring to the right way those who stray from the truth, so that we all may unanimously serve you in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our life. We ask this from you, most merciful Father, in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

- Martin Micronius

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Bible reading plan (see Discipleship Reading Plan)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

I ask you, my most gracious God, preserve me from the cares of this life, lest I should be too much entangled in them; and from the many necessities of the body, lest I should be ensnared by pleasure; and from whatsoever is an obstacle to the soul, lest, broken with troubles, I should be overthrown. Amen.

- Thomas à Kempis

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. 96. What is the Lord's Supper?

A. The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, His death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of His body and blood, with all His benefits, to their spiritual nourishment, and growth in grace.

Q. 97. What is required for the worthy receiving of the Lord's Supper?

A. It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

To Ponder Prayerfully

"A true and faithful Christian does not make holy living an accidental thing. It is his great concern.

As the business of the soldier is to fight, so the business of the Christian is to be like Christ."

- Jonathan Edwards

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