



# PARISH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND COVENANT RENEWAL

Ordinary Time  
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To say that God is sovereign is to say that God is God. —Arthur Pink

Jesus Christ is the Lord God *Pantokrator*. He is the ruler of all because He is the Lord of all and His dominion is an everlasting dominion and it shall not pass away. —Sir Isaac Newton

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into His courts.*

### Gospel Invitation—Philippians 2:11-12

At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### Sung Response—Come, Christians, Join To Sing, Vs. 1

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: 'Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - jice; Praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!' The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1843; Music: MADRID, Traditional Spanish melody,  
arr. David Evans, 1927.

## Call to Worship—Psalm 145:1, 3, 4, 8, 11

Pastor: We will extol You, O God our King. We will bless Your name forever and ever.

All: **Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised. His greatness is unsearchable.**

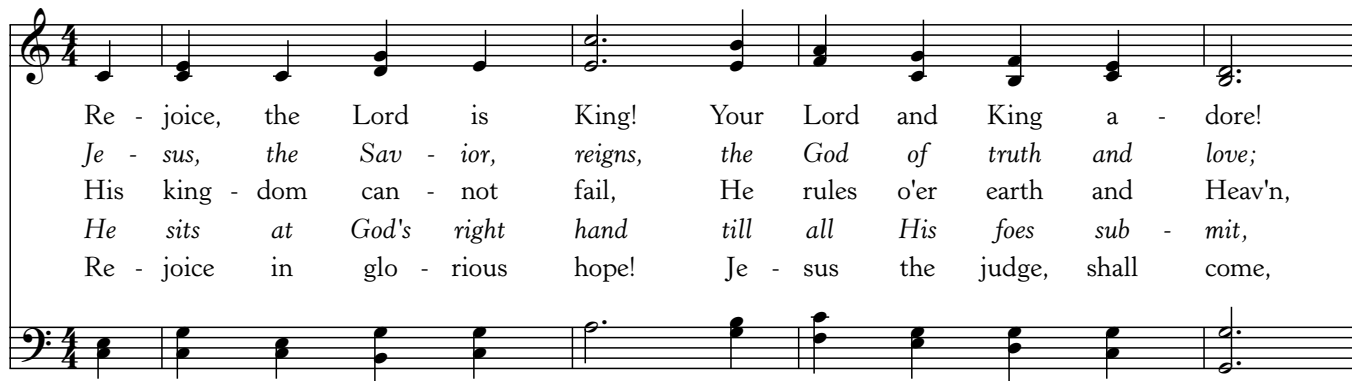
Reader 1: One generation shall commend Your works to another and shall declare Your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, we will meditate.

Reader 2: We shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds, and we will declare Your greatness. We shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.

All: **The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Pastor: We shall speak of the glory of Your Kingdom and tell of Your power.


## Congregational Hymn—Rejoice, The Lord Is King



Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!  
Je - sus, the Sav - ior, reigns, the God of truth and love;  
His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and Heav'n,  
He sits at God's right hand till all His foes sub - mit,  
Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Je - sus the judge, shall come,



Re - joice, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more;  
When He had purged our stains He took His seat a - bove;  
The keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n;  
And bow to His com - mand, and fall be - neath His feet:  
And take His ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.



Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1746; Music: DARWALL, John Darwall, 1770.

# GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

*The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts. God particularly entreats us in His Word to sing psalms. And while all Scripture is appropriate for hymns and spiritual songs, there is a specific exhortation for us to make use of the Psalter as the church's songbook.*

## Congregational Psalm—In Judah The Almighty's Known (Psalm 76)



In Ju - dah the Al - migh - ty's known, (Al - migh - ty there by\_ won - ders shown),  
Those val - iant chiefs that came for spoil, them - selves met there a\_ shame - ful foil;  
From heav'n on high earth heard its doom; it stilled with fear, when You did come



His name is great in Is - ra - el; His house of prayer in\_ Sa - lem stands;  
Se - cure - ly down to sleep, they lay: they wake no more; their stout - est band  
To save the hum - ble and the poor: The wrath of man shall yield You praise;



The maj - es - ty that heav'n com - mands in Zi - on con - de - scends to dwell.  
Could not lift a re - sis - ting hand a - gainst the Lord up - on that day.  
their last at - tempts but serve to raise the tri - umphs of our migh - ty Lord.



He broke the flash - ing ar - rows there, des - troyed their weap - ons, sword and spear,  
When Ja - cob's God be - gan to frown, the horse and ri - ders o - ver - thrown  
Vow to the Lord, you na - tions; bring your gifts to the e - te - rnal King;



For slain the migh - ty ar - my lay; then Zi - on's fame on earth is spread,  
To - ge - ther slept in end - less night. When You, whom earth and heav - en fear,  
To Him due rev - 'rence you shall pay: the proud - est kings that here do dwell;



Of grea - ter glo - ry, \_ grea - ter dread, than hills where li - ons take their prey.  
Do once with wrath - ful\_ look ap - pear, can mor - tals stand with - in Your sight?  
And earth - ly ru - lers\_ ter - ri - ble, will fear the Lord up - on His day.

Text: *A New Version of the Psalms of David*, 1696, alt. Henry C. Haffner, 2021;  
Music: RODERICK, Henry C. Haffner, 2021.

## Scripture Reading—Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Congregational Psalm—The Lord Has Spoken To My Lord (Psalm 110)



The Lord has spo - ken to my Lord, "at My right hand take Your seat,  
Your peo - ple in Your day of—pow'r free-ly—give them-selves to You;  
And when the day of wrath has come; then the Lord at Your right hand



Un - til I make Your en - e - mies in - to a foot-stool for Your feet."  
Your youth, all clothed in ho - li - ness, ap - pear each day like morn - ing's dew.  
Will crush great kings and na - tions judge, with fall - en bod - ies fill the land.



The Lord from Zi - on will ex - tend the migh - ty scep - ter in Your hand:  
The Lord has sworn a sol - emn oath from which He'll ne - ver be re - leased;  
Just - ly con - demned be - neath His rule will heads of ma - ny nations die;



"Rule in the midst of en - e - mies, sub - due each un - der Your com - mand."  
"In th'or - der of Mel - chi - ze - dek for - ev - er more You are a priest."  
But from the brook He'll stop to drink, and His own head He'll lift up high.

Text: Psalm 110:1-7; *The Book of Psalms for Worship*, © 2010 Crown and Covenant Publications.  
Music: JERUSALEM, Hubert Parry, 1916, arr. Brian E. Coombs and Andrew K. Schep, 2004.

## Reading of the Word—Hebrews 1:8-14

<sup>8</sup>Of the Son [God] says, “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom. <sup>9</sup>You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness beyond Your companions.” <sup>10</sup>And, “You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of Your hands; <sup>11</sup>they will perish, but You remain; they will all wear out like a garment, <sup>12</sup>like a robe You will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will have no end.” <sup>13</sup>And to which of the angels has He ever said, “Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet”? <sup>14</sup>Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## Sung Response—A Hymn Of Glory Let Us Sing, Vs. 7

O ris - en Christ, a - scend - ed Lord, all praise to Thee let earth ac - cord,  
A - le - lu - ia! A - le - lu - ia! Who art, while end - less ag - es run,  
With Fa - ther and with Spir - it one. A - le - lu - ia! A - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: The Venerable Bede, 8<sup>th</sup> C. tr. Benjamin Webb, 1854;  
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623.

## Sermon—*King of Kings and Lord of Lords*

—Pastor Emeritus, George Grant

# GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

*The people of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

## Confession of Sin—Daniel 9:4-5, 9-10, 18-19

Pastor: O Lord, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love You and keep Your commandments, we come confessing.

All: **We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from Your commandments and statutes.**

Pastor: To You O Lord belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against You.

All: **We have not obeyed Your voice by walking in Your laws which You set before us by Your servants the prophets.**

Pastor: O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act.

All: **Delay not, for Your own sake, O Lord, our God.**

## Assurance of Pardon—Colossians 1:21-22; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him.

Pastor: This is the promise of God.

All: **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **He is the Father of mercies and God of all comfort.**

Pastor: He comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

## Sung Response—There Is No Greater Portrait, Vs. 3



The Son of Man was lift - ed be - fore cre - a - tion's eyes;



Was mocked and scorned by sol-diers, by kings and priests de - spised.



But now the Son is ris - en, as - cend - ed to the skies.



By an - gels He is wor-shipped; by na - tions glor - i - fied.

## HEAVENLY GIFT—EUCCHARISTO

*As God beckons His people to the bounty of His table, they make joyous profession of their fealty to Him.*

### Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth,

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,

Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell.

On the third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy church—both visible and invisible;

The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

### Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

WOMEN

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might

MEN

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might Hea-ven and Earth are

Hea-ven and Earth are full of Your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the high-est.

full of Your glo-ry, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hos -

Lord. Hos - san - na, Hos - san - na, Hos - san - na in the high - est.

san - na, Hos - san - na, Hos - san - na in the high - est.

Text: Traditional, based on Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9; Music: CLOVERCROFT SANCTUS, Henry C. Haffner, 2019.



# WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S TABLE

*This table is open to all baptized Christians who have made a profession of faith. You may come forward to receive the bread and wine or grape juice.*

## Congregational Hymn—There's A Wideness In God's Mercy



There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, Like the wide - ness of the sea;  
There is wel - come for the sin - ner, And more grac - es for the good;  
There is plen - ti - ful re - demption In the blood that has been shed;  
It is God: His love looks might - y, But is might - ier than it seems;



There's a kind - ness in His jus - tice, Which is more than lib - er - ty.  
There is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; There is heal - ing in His blood.  
There is joy for all the mem - bers In the sor - rows of the Head.  
'Tis our Fath - er: and His fond - ness Goes far out be - yond our dreams.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows Are more felt than up in Heaven;  
For the love of God is broad - er Than the mea - sure of our mind;  
Souls of men! why will ye scat - ter Like a crowd of fright - ened sheep?  
Was there ev - er kind - er shep - herd Half so gen - tle, half so sweet,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings Have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
And the heart of the E - ter - nal Is most won - der - ful - ly kind.  
Fool - ish hearts! why will ye wan - der From a love so true and deep?  
As the Sav - ior who would have us Come and gath - er at His feet?

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1854; Music: HOLY MANNA, William Moore, 1825.

## Congregational Hymn—We Will Glorify



We will glo - ri - fy the King of kings, we will glo - ri - fy the Lamb;  
Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in Maj - es - ty, we will bow be - fore His throne;  
He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;  
Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of kings, Hal - le - lu - jah to the Lamb;  
Ho - san - na to the King of kings, Ho - san - na to the Lamb;



We will glo - ri - fy the Lord of lords, Who\_ is the great I Am.  
We will wor - ship Him in right - eous - ness, we will wor - ship Him a - lone.  
He is Lord a - bove the u - ni - verse, all\_ praise to Him we give.  
Hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord of lords, Who\_ is the great I Am.  
Ho - san - na to the Lord of lords, Who\_ is the great I Am.

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# GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE, PETITIONS, TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Our praying, serving, and giving are essential aspects of worship. It is here that our faith moves from our heads and hearts into our lives and callings.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.*

## Congregational Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign

Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;  
To Him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es throng to crown His head;  
Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on His love with sweet - est song,  
Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns; the pris - 'ner leaps to lose his chains,  
Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;

His king - dom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
His name, like sweet per - fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
And in - fant voic - es shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.  
The wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.  
An - gels de - scend with songs a - gain, and Earth re - peat the loud a - men!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus Shall Reign'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system. The first system covers the first five lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last five lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and clear melodic lines.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793.

# GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

## Benediction—from 1 Timothy 6:15-16

Jesus is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light. To Him be honor and eternal dominion. *Amen.*

## Sung Response—Gloria Patri

The musical score for the Gloria Patri is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. The first system is in 4/4 time and features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The third system concludes the piece with a final vocal phrase and piano accompaniment, including a double bar line. The key signature is one sharp (F#).

Glor - y be\_\_ to the Fath - er, and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is\_\_ now, and ev - er shall be,

World\_\_ with - out end. A - men. A - - - men.

Text: Lesser Doxology, 2<sup>nd</sup> century;  
Music: Nathan George, 2015, harm. Henry C. Haffner, 2015.

## Announcements

## Worship Notes:

The final portion of Hebrews 1 concludes a long discussion of the supremacy of God's Son, which we've been walking through the past three weeks. The elements of this morning's service were chosen to reflect this theme. The Scripture readings call Jesus the "head of the body, the church" (Colossians 1:18) and the "blessed and only sovereign" (1 Timothy 6:15). The hymns declare that He is the "King of Kings" (*We Will Glorify*), who rules wherever the sun shines (*Jesus Shall Reign*) and whose kingdom cannot fail (*Rejoice, The Lord Is King*). Psalm 110, which we sing and hear quoted in the sermon text, speaks of Jesus making His enemies a footstool (*The Lord Has Spoken To My Lord—Psalm 110*). Psalm 76 (*In Judah The Almighty's Known—Psalm 76*) describes the proudest rulers of the earth "fear[ing] the Lord upon His day." Yet this same Christ gently gathers us at His feet like a shepherd gathering the sheep (*There's A Wideness In God's Mercy*). The Son who is worshipped by angels was also mocked, scorned, and lifted up on the cross to die for our sins. —Henry C. Haffner

**Key words:** Throne, Forever, Scepter, Footstool, Ministering  
**Keystone verse:** Your throne O God is forever and ever. (Hebrews 1:8)



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