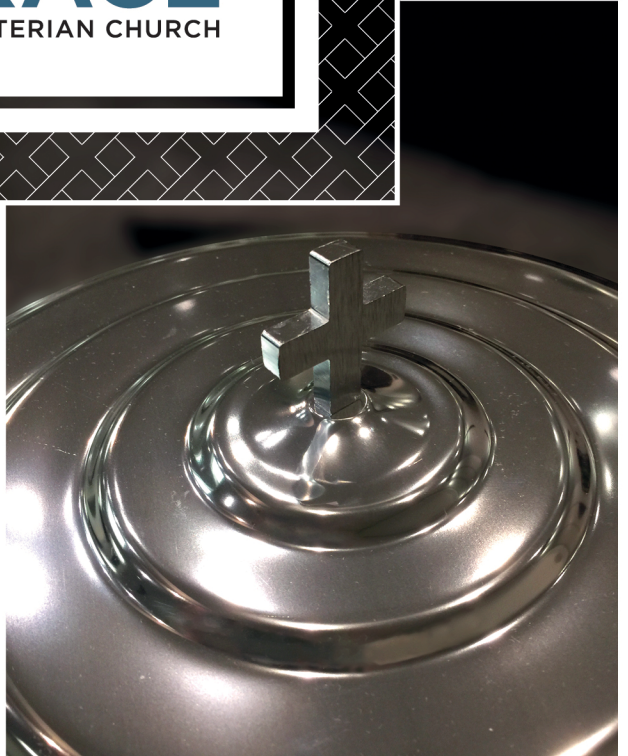


 **GRACE**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



WORSHIP SERVICE

January 12, 2025

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Psalm 34:1

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 86 (p. 814 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

Hear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

Guard my life, for I am devoted to you.

You are my God; save your servant who trusts in you.

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I call to you all day long.

Bring joy to your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to you.

Hear my prayer, O LORD; listen to my cry for mercy.

In the day of my trouble I will call to you, for you will answer me.

Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

**All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord;
they will bring glory to your name.**

For you are great and do marvelous deeds;

you alone are God.

Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth;

give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the depths of the grave.

The arrogant are attacking me, O God; a band of ruthless men seeks my life—
men without regard for you.

**But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger,
abounding in love and faithfulness.**

Turn to me and have mercy on me; grant your strength to your servant
and save the son of your maidservant.

**Give me a sign of your goodness, that my enemies may see it and be put to shame,
for you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.**

** Congregation is requested to stand, if able.*

The pastor will read the plain text; the congregation will read the bold text.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Gracious God, we confess that you are holy and perfect. We feel unworthy to enter into your presence because we again have failed to keep all your commandments.

All: We confess that we have sinned against you and others, and that we have failed to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God.

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord, and help us to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which we have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

All: Thank you for the assurance we have of forgiveness through the blood of our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Numbers 34:1-15

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 455

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies:
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine.

'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more.

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above
(So free, so infinite his grace!),
Humbled himself (so great his love!)
And bled for all his chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,

And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 53. *Which is the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment is “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.”

Q. 54. *What is required in the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God’s names, titles, attributes, ordinances, Word, and works.

Q. 55. *What is forbidden in the third commandment?*

A. The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of anything by which God makes himself known.

Q. 56. *What is the reason attached to the third commandment?*

A. The reason attached to the third commandment is that, however those who break this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not allow them to escape his righteous judgment.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship ❖

Gloria Patri*

Hymn 734

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.

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.

❖ *Tithes and offerings may be placed in the box at the entrance to the sanctuary or given online through our church’s website.*

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Second Reading*

Ephesians 1:3-14

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 13])

Hymn 641

How Long Wilt Thou Forget Me

How long wilt thou forget me,
O Lord, thou God of grace?
How long shall fears beset me,
While darkness hides thy face?
How long shall griefs distress me
And turn my day to night?
How long shall foes oppress me
And triumph in their might?

O Lord my God, behold me,
And hear my earnest cries;
Lest sleep of death enfold me,
Enlighten thou mine eyes;
Lest now my foe insulting
Should boast of his success,
And enemies exulting
Rejoice in my distress.

But I with expectation
Have on thy grace relied;
My heart in thy salvation
Shall still with joy confide;
And I with voice of singing
Will praise the Lord above,
Who, richest bounties bringing,
Has dealt with me in love. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Rudy Manrique

“Forgiveness for the Past, Provision for the Present, Security for the Future”
Lamentations 3:22-24

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 32

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! Amen.*

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Hymn 115, verse 5)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in One, O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

SERMON NOTES

“Forgiveness for the Past, Provision for the Present, Security for the Future”
Lamentations 3:22-24

1. God has forgiven your past. (v. 22)
 Psalm 106:44-45; Ephesians 1:7
 2. God is providing for your present. (v. 23)
 Psalm 36:5; Psalm 92:1-2; Psalm 100:4; Habakkuk 3:17-18
 3. God has secured your future. (v. 24)
 Psalm 16:5-6; Ephesians 1:11, 13-14
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HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

The daily reading schedule follows the One Year Bible Reading Plan.

Monday, January 13

Scripture: Genesis 28:1 - 29:35; Matthew 9:18-38; Psalm 11:1-7; Proverbs 3:11-12

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 15

Pray for: Our federal, state, and local government leaders.

Tuesday, January 14

Scripture: Genesis 30:1 - 31:16; Matthew 10:1-23; Psalm 12:1-8; Proverbs 3:13-15

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 63

Pray for: Our military, police, fire, and medical personnel.

Wednesday, January 15

Scripture: Genesis 31:17 - 32:12; Matthew 10:24 - 11:6; Psalm 13:1-6; Prov. 3:16-18

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 64

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.
The churches in Togo and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, January 16

Scripture: Genesis 32:13 - 34:31; Matthew 11:7-30; Psalm 14:1-7; Proverbs 3:19-20

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 65

Pray for: Our Elders, Deacons, Women's Ministry, & the PCA. Our pregnant mom.

Friday, January 17

Scripture: Genesis 35:1 - 36:43; Matthew 12:1-21; Psalm 15:1-5; Proverbs 3:21-26

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 66

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.
The Shepherd's Church Plant in Riverside and the Manrique Family.

Saturday, January 18

Scripture: Genesis 37:1 - 38:30; Matthew 12:22-45; Psalm 16:1-11; Proverbs 3:27-32

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 67

Pray for: The preaching and for our Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, January 19

Scripture: Genesis 39:1 - 41:16; Matthew 12:46 - 13:23; Psalm 17:1-15; Prov. 3:33-35

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 68

Pray for: Our worship this morning.

MISSIONS CORNER

Pray for our missionaries. Their prayer requests are sent out through the Prayer Chain and their newsletters are published in Grace Notes as they become available.

Ray & Michele Call in Belize

Dave Eby in Uganda

Christ Bible Institute in Japan

The Shepherd's Church in Riverside

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Greeting and Call to Worship*

Psalm 34:1-5

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

All: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

Hymn*

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies” Hymn 7

Congregational Confession of Sin

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. Our sins weigh heavy on our hearts, and they burden our souls. Forgive us, we pray. Give us a renewed desire to serve you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves, for we ask in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they will be white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Hymn

“I’ve Found a Friend, O Such a Friend!” Hymn 517

Scripture Reading*

Job 38:1-11

Hymn

“Not What My Hands Have Done” Hymn 461

Prayer

Sermon

“The Manifold Wisdom of God in Suffering”

Pastor Derek Rishmawy

Ephesians 3:1-13

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn*

“Whate’er My God Ordains Is Right” Hymn 108

Benediction*

Congregational Benediction Response*

(Sung to STUTTGART [Hymn 5])

Honor, glory, might, and merit, be to God and God alone!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One in Three and Three in One. Amen.



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