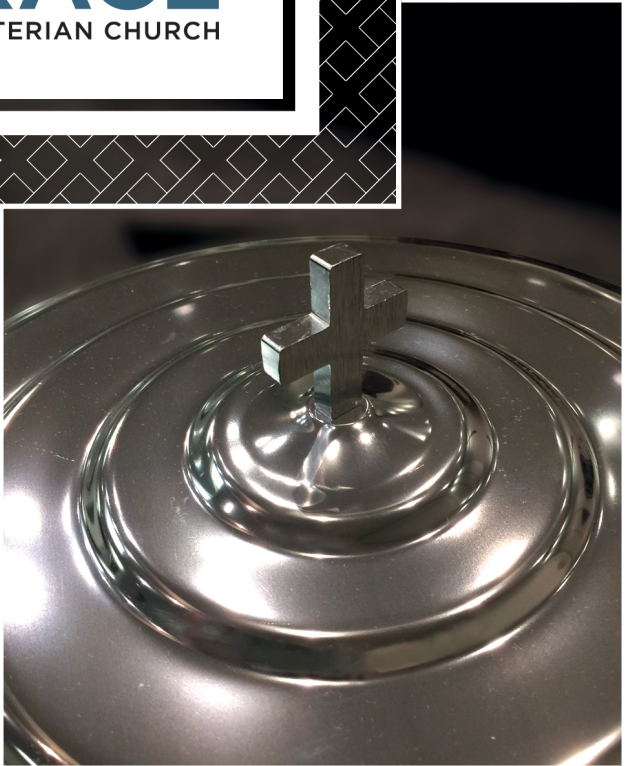


 **GRACE**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



WORSHIP SERVICE

February 9, 2025

The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
and his ears toward their cry.

Psalm 34:15

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 91 (p. 817 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the LORD, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

Surely he will save you from the fowler’s snare and from the deadly pestilence.

**He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.**

You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.

If you make the Most High your dwelling—even the LORD, who is my refuge—

then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread upon the lion and the cobra;

you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

“Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him;

“I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

“He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.

“With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

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

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

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! In his temple God be praised;
In the high and heav'nly places be the sounding anthem raised.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah for his mighty acts of fame;
Excellent his might and greatness, fitting praises then proclaim.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah with the trumpet's joyful sound;
Praise with harp and praise with organ, let his glorious praise abound.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! All that breathe, Jehovah praise;
Let the voices God has given joyful anthems to him raise.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen. Amen.

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Our strong and faithful God, we come before you acknowledging that you are light and that in you there is no darkness at all.

All: We confess that we have walked in darkness rather than living according to what you have revealed to us in your Word. We have sinned against you and our neighbors, and we are not worthy to be called your children.

Leader: We earnestly repent and are sincerely sorry for our sins. Enable us to receive and rest in the truth that we have been justified by faith and have peace with you through our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: All glory, honor, and praise be to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Acts 10:42-43

And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

(music printed on p. 12)

Union with Thee

Grace of the Father before there was time,
Chose us in Christ by the mercy divine.
Love laid the plans for our rescue to be
Purchased by blood for our union with thee.

Humbled in flesh, O thou bright shining Son,
Lord of the universe bearing our sin,
Long-suff'ring Servant from manger to tree,
Thy substitution won union with thee.

Raised on the third day, Destroyer of death,
Sent forth thy Spirit with lifegiving breath.
Hearts are made new, dead eyes opened to see;
Life-yielding faith brings us union with thee.

Filled with thy Spirit, we're led by thy Word;
Cross before crown is our road and reward.
Dark be the path, yet in thy light we see
Dying is living in union with thee.

Loved by the Father and bought by the Son,
Called by the Spirit to service and song,
Strangers and exiles until we receive
Pleasures unfading in union with thee. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 67. *Which is the sixth commandment?*

A. The sixth commandment is, “You shall not murder.”

Q. 68. *What is required in the sixth commandment?*

A. The sixth commandment requires all lawful endeavors to preserve our own lives and the lives of others.

Q. 69. *What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?*

A. The sixth commandment forbids the taking away of our own lives or the lives of our neighbors unjustly, or whatever tends to do so.

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*

Luke 23:26-49

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 119:33-40])

Hymn 149

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

Teach me, O Lord, your way of truth,
And from it I will not depart;
That I may steadfastly obey,
Give me an understanding heart.

In your commandments make me walk,
For in your law my joy shall be;
Give me a heart that loves your will,
From discontent and envy free.

Turn now my eyes from vanity,
And cause me in your ways to tread;
O let your servant prove your word
And thus to godly fear be led.

Turn away my reproach and fear;
Your righteous judgments I confess;
To know your precepts I desire;
Revive me in your righteousness. Amen.

Prayer for New Women's Ministry Leaders

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Rudy Manrique

“The Sweet Exchange”
2 Corinthians 5:21

GOD'S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 253

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel'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 have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away:
Washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;
And there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your 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.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing your pow'r to save,
When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave:
Lies silent in the grave, lies silent in the grave;
When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r,
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. 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.

“The Sweet Exchange”
2 Corinthians 5:21

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, February 10

Scripture: Exodus 30:11 - 31:18; Matthew 26:47-68; Psalm 32:1-11; Proverbs 8:27-32

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 19

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

Tuesday, February 11

Scripture: Exodus 32:1 - 33:23; Matthew 26:69 - 27:14; Psalm 33:1-11; Prov. 8:33-36

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 87

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

Wednesday, February 12

Scripture: Exodus 34:1 - 35:9; Matthew 27:15-31; Psalm 33:12-22; Proverbs 9:1-6

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 88

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in Tunisia and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, February 13

Scripture: Exodus 35:10 - 36:38; Matthew 27:32-66; Psalm 34:1-10; Proverbs 9:7-8

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 89

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

Friday, February 14

Scripture: Exodus 37:1 - 38:31; Matthew 28:1-20; Psalm 34:11-22; Proverbs 9:9-10

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 90

Pray for: Our members who have ongoing health care needs.

The Shepherd's Church Plant in Riverside and the Manrique Family.

Saturday, February 15

Scripture: Exodus 39:1 - 40:38; Mark 1:1-28; Psalm 35:1-16; Proverbs 9:11-12

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 91

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

Sunday, February 16

Scripture: Leviticus 1:1 - 3:17; Mark 1:29 - 2:12; Psalm 35:17-28; Proverbs 9:13-18

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 92

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 148:1-6

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

All: Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Hymn*

“For the Beauty of the Earth” Hymn 116

Congregational Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love. According to your great compassion, blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Wash us, that we may be whiter than snow, for a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Restore us to fellowship with you, that we may walk in the full assurance of your promises, and in the freedom of knowing that you care for us and have brought us to yourself by the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, in whose strong Name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 130:7-8

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Hymn

“The Tender Love a Father Has” Hymn 93

Scripture Reading*

Malachi 4

Hymn

“Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured” Hymn 429

Prayer

Sermon

“The Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God”
Mark 1:1-8

Pastor Ben Muresan

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn*

“Abide with Me” Hymn 402

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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Union with Thee

1. Grace of the Fa - ther be - fore there was time, chose us in
 2. Hum - bled in flesh, O thou bright shin - ing Son, Lord of the
 3. Raised on the third day, De - stroy - er of death, sent forth thy
 4. Filled with thy Spir - it, we're led by thy Word; cross be - fore
 5. Loved by the Fa - ther and bought by the Son, called by the

Christ by the mer - cy div - ine. Love laid the plans for our
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res - cue to be pur - chased by blood for our un - ion with thee.
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 thy light we see dy - ing is liv - ing in un - ion with thee.
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