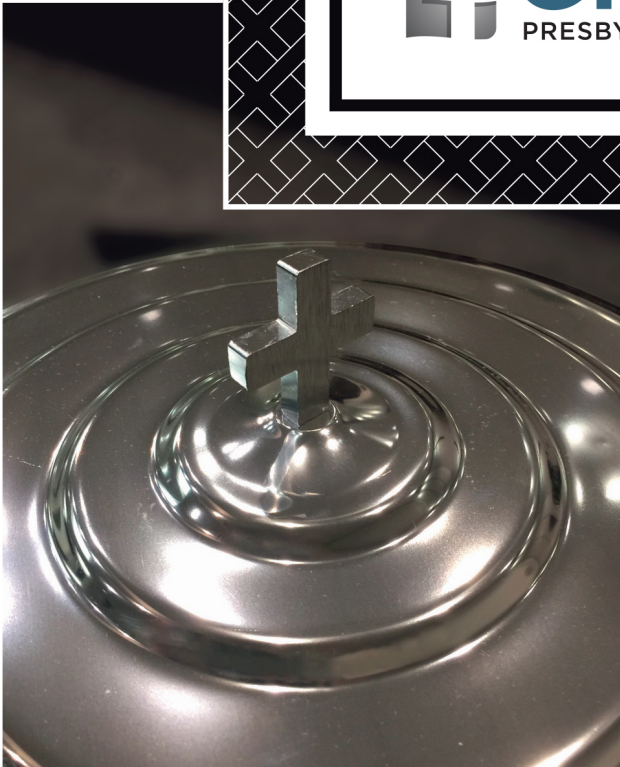


 **GRACE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 29, 2025

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

**Psalms 34:8**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

## ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

**Greeting and Blessing\***

**Responsive Reading\***

Psalms 90 (p. 816 in the *Trinity Hymnal*)

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

**Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

You turn men back to dust, saying, “Return to dust, O sons of men.”

**For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,  
or like a watch in the night.**

You sweep men away in the sleep of death; they are like the new grass of the morning—  
**though in the morning it springs up new, by evening it is dry and withered.**

We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.

**You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.**

All our days pass away under your wrath;

**we finish our years with a moan.**

The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength;

**yet their span is but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.**

Who knows the power of your anger? For your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

**Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Relent, O LORD! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants.

**Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy  
and be glad all our days.**

Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble.

**May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children.**

May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us; establish the work of our hands for us—

**yes, establish the work of our hands.**

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

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

***Crown Him with Many Crowns***

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:  
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet  
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me:  
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity. Amen.

**Congregational Confession of Sin**

**Leader:** Heavenly Father, we acknowledge that your commandments are righteous and good. They reveal your holiness, and they teach us how to live as your children in a way that pleases you.

**All:** We confess that we have broken your commandments by our careless deeds, our hurtful words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts.

**Leader:** Forgive us, we pray. Apart from Christ there is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope, yet in him we have received pardon and are clothed in his righteousness. Enable us to wholeheartedly believe your assurance of forgiveness and to live godly, righteous, and devout lives as we await our Savior's return.

**All:** All praise, honor, and glory 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**

1 John 4:9-11

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

# ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading\*

Ezekiel 34:11-24

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month)

Hymn 19

## *Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!*

Thee we adore, eternal Lord! We praise thy name with one accord.  
Thy saints, who here thy goodness see, through all the world do worship thee,  
Through all the world do worship thee.

To thee aloud all angels cry, the heav'ns and all the pow'rs on high:  
Thee, holy, holy, holy King, Lord God of Hosts, they ever sing,  
Lord God of Hosts, they ever sing.

Apostles join the glorious throng, and prophets swell th'immortal song;  
Thy martyrs' noble army raise eternal anthems to thy praise,  
Eternal anthems to thy praise.

From day to day, O Lord, do we exalt and highly honor thee!  
Thy name we worship and adore, world without end, forevermore,  
World without end, forevermore. Amen.

## Confession of Faith

*The Nicene Creed* (p. 846)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship ❖

### Gloria Patri\*

Hymn 735

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\*

John 10:11-18

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month [Psalm 117])

Hymn 7

### *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

From all that dwell below the skies  
Let the Creator's praise arise;  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
Through every land, by every tongue.

In every land begin the song;  
To every land the strains belong.  
In cheerful sound all voices raise  
And fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord;  
Eternal truth attends your word.  
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore  
Till suns shall rise and set no more. Amen.

## Pastoral Prayer

## Sermon

Pastor Chris Hartshorn

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”  
Psalm 23

## Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

# **GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE**

## Hymn of Thanksgiving\*

### *Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me*

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to His.  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side, the Savior, He will stay.  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need His power is displayed.  
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley He will lead.  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven; the future sure, the price, it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home.  
And day by day I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus; all the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: yet not I, but through Christ in me. Amen.

## Benediction\*

### Congregational Benediction Response\*

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father,  
And the grace of Christ, the risen Son,  
And the fellowship of God, the Spirit  
Keep our hearts and minds within his love.

*And to him be praise for his glorious reign;  
From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain—  
Christ eternal, the King of kings.*

May this peace which passes understanding,  
And this grace which makes us what we are,  
And this fellowship of his communion,  
Make us one in spirit and in heart.

*And to him be praise for his glorious reign;  
From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain—  
Christ eternal, the King of kings. Amen.*



## SERMON NOTES

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”  
Psalm 23

1. The Shepherd Who Provides (Psalm 23:1-2)  
God meets every need of his people with personal, covenantal care.
2. The Shepherd Who Restores and Guides (Psalm 23:3-4)  
In our wandering and weakness, he brings us back and leads us with purpose—even through the darkest valleys.
3. The Shepherd Who Prepares and Pursues (Psalm 23:5-6)  
He blesses abundantly in every season, triumphs over our enemies, and secures our eternal home.



# HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

## **Monday, June 30**

Scripture: 2 Kings 17:1 - 18:12; Acts 20:1-38; Psalm 148:1-14; Proverbs 18:6-7

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 6

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

## **Tuesday, July 1**

Scripture: 2 Kings 18:13 - 19:37; Acts 21:1-17; Psalm 149:1-9; Proverbs 18:8

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 100

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

## **Wednesday, July 2**

Scripture: 2 Kings 20:1 - 22:2; Acts 21:18-36; Psalm 150:1-6; Proverbs 18:9-10

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 101

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

## **Thursday, July 3**

Scripture: 2 Kings 22:3 - 23:30; Acts 21:37 - 22:16; Psalm 1:1-6; Proverbs 18:11-12

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 102

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

## **Friday, July 4**

Scripture: 2 Kings 23:31 - 25:30; Acts 22:17 - 23:10; Psalm 2:1-12; Proverbs 18:13

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 103

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

## **Saturday, July 5**

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 1:1 - 2:17; Acts 23:11-35; Psalm 3:1-8; Proverbs 18:14-15

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 104

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

## **Sunday, July 6**

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 2:18 - 4:4; Acts 24:1-27; Psalm 4:1-8; Proverbs 18:16-18

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 105

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**

## **LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS**

Psalm 23 is a well-known passage in the Bible. God's people have been turning to it for thousands of years to find comfort and assurance during seasons of trial and difficulty. The passage describes how God cares for his people, and it points to Christ, who is our Chief Shepherd. Martin Luther writes:

The pasture with which Christ feeds his sheep is the dear gospel by which our souls are fed and strengthened, preserved from error, comforted in all temptations and sorrows, protected against the devil's wile and power and finally saved from all need. But his sheep are not all equally strong; in part they are still lost, scattered all about, wounded, sick, young and weak. He does not reject them for that reason but gives more attention to them and also cares for them more diligently than he does for the others who have no faults. As the prophet Ezekiel says...he seeks the lost, brings back the strayed, binds up the crippled, strengthens the sick. And the young lambs that have just been born, Isaiah says, he will gather in his arms and carry them so that they may not grow tired and will gently lead those who are with young. All of this, Christ our dear Shepherd effects through the office of preaching and the holy sacraments.

1. Why do you think God's people are drawn to this psalm in particular as a source of comfort and assurance? Are there times in your life when you have turned to it intentionally?
2. Read verses 1-2. What do these verses say of God's provision? What do they reveal about his faithfulness?
3. Read verses 3-4. How do these verses describe the way God restores and guides us?
4. Read verses 5-6. How do these verses describe how God pursues us?
5. Read Ezekiel 34:11-24 and John 10:11-18. How do both of these passages shed more light on the ways in which Christ is our Shepherd?
6. What did you learn in the sermon today that you want to prayerfully apply this week?



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