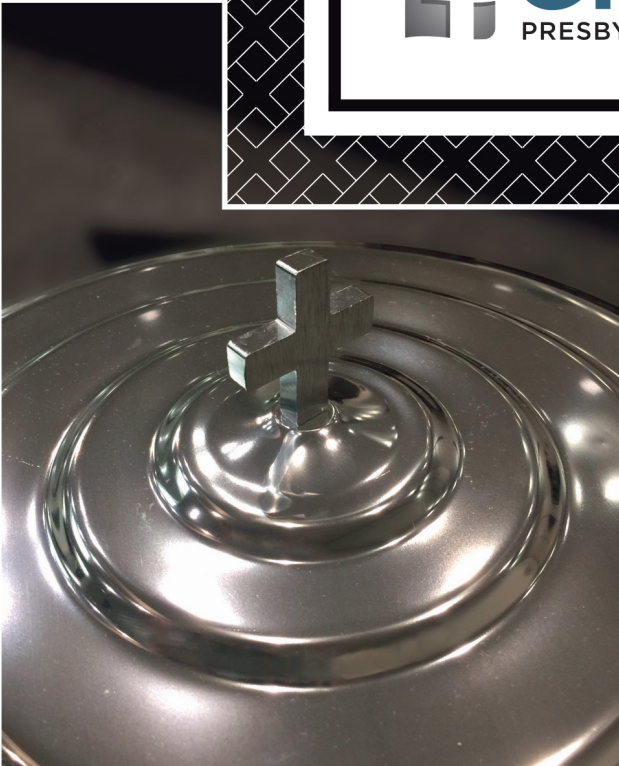




 **GRACE**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 7, 2026

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Greeting and Blessing*

Responsive Reading*

Psalm 80

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh, stir up your might and come to save us!

Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

You have fed them with the bread of tears and given them tears to drink in full measure.

You make us an object of contention for our neighbors, and our enemies laugh among themselves.

Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.

You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.

It sent out its branches to the sea and its shoots to the River.

Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.

Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine,

the stock that your right hand planted, and for the son whom you made strong for yourself.

They have burned it with fire; they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your face!

But let your hand be on the man of your right hand, the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!

Then we shall not turn back from you; give us life, and we will call upon your name!

Restore us, O LORD God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!

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

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

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.*

Congregational Confession of Sin

Leader: Heavenly Father, we thank you for your Law which reveals your holiness and our sinfulness.
The First Commandment of your Law is, “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out
of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.”

All: We confess that though you are the God who brought us out of slavery to Satan, sin, and
death through Jesus Christ, we have sinned against you by trusting in our own strength and
not giving you the glory and honor that you alone deserve. Forgive us and enable us to
prioritize you in our lives by worshiping you and seeking to live for your glory and praise.
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, now and forever. Amen.

Private Confession of Our Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Timothy 1:15-17

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to
save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the
foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe
in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory
forever and ever. Amen.

ADORATION AND PRAISE

First Reading*

Psalm 110

Congregational Response (Hymn of the Month) (Sung to “Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”)
Hymn 707

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish ev’ry fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition, God and heav’n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too;
Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like man, untrue;
And, while thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends may shun me; show thy face, and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, ’twill but drive me to thy breast;
Life with trials hard may press me, heav’n will bring me sweeter rest.
O ’tis not in grief to harm me while thy love is left to me;
O ’twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with thee.

Take, my soul, thy full salvation, rise o’er sin and fear and care;
Joy to find in ev’ry station something still to do or bear;
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, what a Father’s smile is thine,
What a Savior died to win thee: child of heav’n, shouldst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
Heav’n’s eternal day’s before thee, God’s own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days;
Hope soon change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise. Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 1. *What is the chief end of man?*

A. Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Q. 2. *What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?*

A. The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Q. 3. *What do the Scriptures principally teach?*

A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship ❖

Doxology*

Hymn 731

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.

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*

Colossians 3:1-17

Congregational Response (Psalm of the Month: Psalm 80)

(music printed on p. 12)

Great Shepherd Who Leadest Thy People

Great shepherd who leadest thy people in love,
'Mid cherubim dwelling, shine thou from above;
In might come and save us, thy people restore,
And we shall be saved when thy face shines once more.

O haste, Lord, to hear us and pity our woes,
Affliction our portion, despised by our foes.
O Lord God Almighty, in mercy restore,
And we shall be saved when thy face shines once more.

A place for thy people thou, Lord, didst prepare,
Thy vine deeply rooted rewarded thy care;
Its branches, like cedars, majestic and free,
Spread over the mountains from river to sea.

Thy vineyard no longer thy tender care knows,
Defenseless, the victim and spoil of her foes;
O turn, we beseech thee, all glory is thine,
Look down in thy mercy and visit thy vine.

The branch of thy planting is burned and cut down,
Brought nigh to destruction because of thy frown;
The man of thy right hand with wisdom endue,
The son of man strengthen thy pleasure to do.

When thou shalt revive us, thy name we will praise,
And nevermore, turning, depart from thy ways;
O Lord God Almighty, in mercy restore,
And we shall be saved when thy face shines once more. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Ben Muresan

“How to Be Heavenly Minded”
Colossians 3:1-11

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

GOD’S BLESSING ON HIS PEOPLE

Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Hymn 660

O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at every gift you send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We’ll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. Amen.

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.

SERMON NOTES

“How to Be Heavenly Minded” Colossians 3:1-11

1. Keep the right perspective about your true identity: you are united to Christ by faith.
Colossians 3:1-2; Acts 1:9; Psalm 110:1
2. Keep the right perspective about your destination: you will be with Christ in glory forever.
Colossians 3:3-4; Acts 1:11
3. Live according to your true identity: you are a new creation in Christ.
Colossians 3:5-11; 2 Corinthians 5:17

HOME WORSHIP GUIDE

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

Monday, June 8

Scripture: 1 Kings 3:3 - 4:34; Acts 6:1-15; Psalm 126:1-6; Proverbs 16:26-27

Catechism: The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 23

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

Tuesday, June 9

Scripture: 1 Kings 5:1 - 6:38; Acts 7:1-29; Psalm 127:1-5; Proverbs 16:28-30

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 73

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

Wednesday, June 10

Scripture: 1 Kings 7:1-50; Acts 7:30-50; Psalm 128:1-6; Proverbs 16:31-33

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 74

Pray for: Our covenant children and Christian military chaplains.

The churches in the Cook Islands and persecuted Christians.

Thursday, June 11

Scripture: 1 Kings 8:1-66; Acts 7:51 - 8:13; Psalm 129:1-8; Proverbs 17:1

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 75

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

Friday, June 12

Scripture: 1 Kings 9:1 - 10:29; Acts 8:14-40; Psalm 130:1-8; Proverbs 17:2-3

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 76

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

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

Saturday, June 13

Scripture: 1 Kings 11:1 - 12:19; Acts 9:1-25; Psalm 131:1-3; Proverbs 17:4-5

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 77

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

Sunday, June 14

Scripture: 1 Kings 12:20 - 13:34; Acts 9:26-43; Psalm 132:1-18; Proverbs 17:6

Catechism: The Westminster Shorter Catechism: Q/A 78

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 the Dominican Republic

Dave Eby in Uganda

Christ Bible Institute in Japan

The Shepherd's Church in Riverside

LORD'S DAY DEVOTION AND QUESTIONS

In Colossians 3, the Apostle Paul encourages us to be heavenly minded. While some have claimed that for Christians to think this way is a weakness or a form of escapism, in reality it is a blessing for ourselves and our neighbors. C.S. Lewis in his book, *Mere Christianity*, writes:

It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next. The Apostles themselves, who set on foot the conversion of the Roman Empire, the great men who built up the Middle Ages, the English Evangelicals who abolished the slave trade, all left their mark on earth, precisely because their minds were occupied with heaven.

To be heavenly minded means to think and act like what we already are: Christians united to the ascended Christ. When we live this way, we become a blessing to our neighbors because we are enabled to live righteously and joyfully while pointing them to the hope that is ours in Christ.

1. For review, read Colossians 2:16-23. What do Paul's exhortations in these verses reveal about the false teaching threatening the believers in Colossae? What form do these false teachings take today, and how can you oppose them based on Paul's exhortations?
2. Read Colossians 3:1-2 and reflect on the first point of the sermon. What do these verses teach about the importance of Christ's ascension and session at God's right hand? How should you see yourself right now in relation to the reigning Christ?
3. Read Colossians 3:3-4 and reflect on the second point of the sermon. What does it mean that you are "hidden with Christ in God"? How should this give you confidence in your faith and the promise of perseverance to the end?
4. Read Colossians 3:5-11 and reflect on the third point of the sermon. What does it mean to be a new creation in Christ? How can consistently reminding yourself of your true identity help you in your fight against sin?

Great Shepherd Who Leadest Thy People

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1. Great shep-herd who lead-est thy peo-ple in love, 'mid cher-u-bim
 2. O haste, Lord, to hear us and pit-y our woes, af-flic-tion our
 3. A place for thy peo-ple thou, Lord, didst pre-pare, thy vine deep-ly
 4. Thy vine-yard no long-er thy ten-der care knows, de-fense-less, the

dwell-ing, shine thou from a-bove; in might come and save us, thy
 por-tion, de-spised by our foes. O Lord God Al-might-y, in
 root-ed re-ward-ed thy care; its branch-es, like ce-dars, ma-
 vic-tim and spoil of her foes; O turn, we be-seech thee, all

peo-ple re-store, and we shall be saved when thy face shines once more.
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5. The branch of thy planting is burned and cut down,
 brought nigh to destruction because of thy frown;
 the man of thy right hand with wisdom endue,
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 O Lord God Almighty, in mercy restore,
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