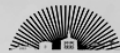


THE MINOR PROPHETS

Habakkuk:

Rejoice In The LORD

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 12-13, 2:4b; 3:13-19a



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 9, 2025

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

God With Us

CALL TO WORSHIP | 1 Peter 5:6-7, 10-11 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ... And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | 1 Peter 1:3-7 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

It Is Well

Just As Good

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. 14. Can any mere creature pay for us?

A. No. In the first place, God will not punish another creature for the sin which man has committed. Furthermore, no mere creature can sustain the burden of God's eternal wrath against sin and deliver others from it.

Q. 15. What kind of mediator and deliverer must we seek?

A. One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who is at the same time true God.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, *Founding & Teaching Pastor*

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Living Hope

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 12-13, 2:4b 3:13-19a (ESV)

Title: Habakkuk: Rejoice In The LORD

Teacher: Tim Rice

1 The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. 2 O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? 3 Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. 4 So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted. ... 12 Are you not from everlasting, O Lord my God, my Holy One? We shall not die. O Lord, you have ordained them as a judgment, and you, O Rock, have established them for reproof. 13 You who are of purer eyes than to see evil and cannot look at wrong, why do you idly look at traitors and remain silent when the wicked swallows up the man more righteous than he? ... 2:4b "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith." ... 3:13 You went out for the salvation of your people, for the salvation of your anointed. You crushed the head of the house of the wicked, laying him bare from thigh to neck. 14 You pierced with his own arrows the heads of his warriors, who came like a whirlwind to scatter me, rejoicing as if to devour the poor in secret. 15 You trampled the sea with your horses, the surging of mighty waters. 16 I hear, and my body trembles; my lips quiver at the sound; rottenness enters into my bones; my legs tremble beneath me. Yet I will quietly wait for the day of trouble to come upon people who invade us. 17 Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, 18 yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. 19 God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places.

INTRO: Habakkuk is less a sermon than it is a prayer journal ...

TIMELESS WORTH, ETERNAL RULE

Why does it matter that the LORD is holy and beautiful?

DOWNSIDE-UP LIVING

How can our struggles with sin be traced to a demanding spirit?

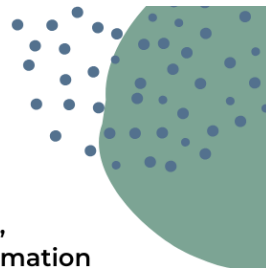
REJOICING IN THE LORD

What can enable us to rejoice in the LORD like Habakkuk?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD that he is so sufficient that He is worthy of all trust, even in the midst of trying circumstances. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His unrivaled, infinite worth.
2. How have you lived only relating to God in order to get what you ultimately want? Confess to Jesus your attempts to use Him rather than seeking to love Him, asking Him to forgive you and to change your heart.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for not treating us in light of our usefulness (especially given our sin) but for the miracle of Him finding us beautiful. Thank Him for bearing the costs of our sin on the cross and putting His worth and beauty upon us by His Spirit.
4. Who do you know that measures God's goodness by their circumstances? Pray for them, asking the Lord to reveal His Grace and worth even when He doesn't give them the circumstances they want.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of joy, to rejoice in the God of your salvation. Pray for such satisfaction in Christ that you really do find your sufficiency in Him rather than in your circumstances.

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Young Adults

Trivia Night

March 14, 7p

Contact Brown Peterson for details.

Scan the code to register.



Night of Worship & Prayer

March 23, 5p

Contact the Church Office for details.

***Scan the code to register
for childcare.***



Churchwide Serve Day

March 29, 8a

Contact the Church Office for details.

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Churchwide Easter Picnic

April 6, 12p at Fletcher Park

Don't forget your basket for the Easter egg hunt! **Please bring your own lunch, chairs, and blankets.**



Phil Keaggy Live Concert

April 11, 7p

Contact the Church Office for details.

***Scan the code to purchase
your ticket!***



Town Hall Meeting

April 13, 9:15 & 11a

in the Fellowship Hall

Contact the Church Office for details.



Women's Retreat 2025

April 25-27

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

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Middle School Boys

Super Smash Bros Tournament

May 2, 6p

Contact Tucker O'Brien for details.

Scan the code to register.



VBS - True North

June 16-20

Registration opens on April 6!

Contact Callie Sandman for details.

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you may have.



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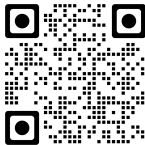


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Community Bible Reading communitybiblereading.org

March 10-15, 2025

(3-year plan: read [blue](#) passages | 1-year plan: read [all](#))

Monday	Acts 25 1 Kings 18	Genesis 49 Isaiah 41
Tuesday	Acts 26 1 Kings 19	Genesis 50 Isaiah 42
Wednesday	Acts 27 1 Kings 20	Exodus 1 Isaiah 43
Thursday	Acts 28 1 Kings 21	Exodus 2 Isaiah 44
Friday	Romans 1 1 Kings 22	Exodus 3 Isaiah 45
Saturday	Psalms 63	Psalms 11 Psalms 115

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Habakkuk 3:17-19 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday | 8:30a - 5:00p & **Friday** | 8:30a-12:00p

Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 10:30a

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