

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PCA

Jackson, Tennessee Pentecost Season June 23, 2024

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION: Psalm 5:1-2

Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray.

SILENT PRAYER

GOD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

† SALUTATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

And, also, with you!

Save us, O God of our salvation,

1 Chronicles 16:35

And gather and deliver us from among the nations,

That we may give thanks to your holy name

And glory in your praise.

† CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 Chronicles 16:23-25

Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and He is to be feared above all gods!

†* HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 38: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

† Congregation stands, if able | * Seating for latecomers at this time

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GOD CLEANSES US OF OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Hear now the Covenant of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before Me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet."

Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded?

No, but we have sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed.

CORPORATE CONFESSION

(congregation kneels as able)

Most 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. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

[Silent prayer of personal confession] Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:31-32

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?

† GLORIA PATRI

(with hands lifted)

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.

†* HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 172: "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 4

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING: Colossians 2:1-5

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:21-34

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Praise be to you, O Christ!

† HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 94: "How Firm a Foundation"

READING OF GOD'S WORD: Philippians 4:1-23

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Stand Firm and Be Patient

PROFESSION OF FAITH: Membership Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?
- 4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
- 5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

† CONFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

and born of virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic* church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic=universal

† PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND 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.

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY

(with hands lifted)

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

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

+ SURSUM CORDA

Lift up your hearts.

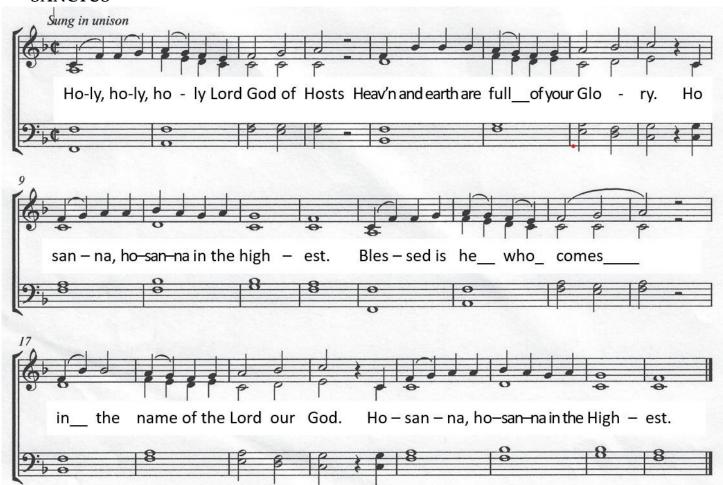
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and good, and a joyful thing, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and arch angels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing ...

† SANCTUS



Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ Communion Song. No. 500: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" v. 1-2 Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ Communion Song: No. 500: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" v. 3-4

PRAYER OF BLESSING

GOD COMMISSIONS US TO GO INTO THE WORLD

- **† HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 498:** "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"
- **† BENEDICTION:** Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

- † THREE-FOLD AMEN
- † POSTLUDE