

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PCA

Jackson, Tennessee Pentecost Season September 29, 2024

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION: Psalm 98:1-3

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

SILENT PRAYER

GOD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

† SALUTATION

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

The Lord be with you!	Ruth 2:4
And, also, with you!	
Our help is in the name of the LORD,	Psalm 124:8
Who made heaven and earth.	

+ CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 117

Amen.

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Praise the LORD!

+ Congregation stands, if able

* Seating for latecomers at this time

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+* PSALM 117: [Tune: *Lasst uns Erfreuen,* "All Creatures of Our God and King"]

1 From all that dwell below the skies, O let Jehovah's praise arise! Alleluia! Alleluia! And let His glorious name be sung In every land by every tongue! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Great are the mercies of the Lord, And truth eternal is His word; Alleluia! Alleluia! Ye nations, sound from shore to shore Jehovah's praise for evermore! Alleluia! Alleluia!

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

GOD CLEANSES US OF OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION: 1 John 1:5-8

This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you,

that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.

If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness,

we lie and do not practice the truth.

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light,

we have fellowship with one another,

and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

CORPORATE CONFESSION (congregation kneels as able)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

[Silent prayer of personal confession] Amen.

+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- 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. 261: "What Wondrous Love Is This"

GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 34:11-22 This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING: James 5:1-6 This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

- GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:46-52
 This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ
 Praise be to you, O Christ!
- **+ HYMN NO. 359:** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

READING OF GOD'S WORD: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

The Message of 1 Thessalonians, Sermon VIII The Second Advent of Christ t **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 the 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 t 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 ...



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EUCHARISTIC MEDITATION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ Communion Song, No. 257: "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" v. 1-2 **Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ Communion Song, No. 257:** "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" v. 3-4

PRAYER OF BLESSING

GOD COMMISSIONS US TO GO INTO THE WORLD

- **HYMN OF RESPONSE, NO. 305:** "Arise, My Soul, Arise"
- **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**