



**COVENANT**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PCA**

Jackson, Tennessee  
Sunday, February 16, 2025

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION: Psalm 43:3-5

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my 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.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

**And, also, with you!**

This is the day the Lord has made;

Psalm 118:24

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

† CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 27:4-8

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD. Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, LORD, do I seek."

†\* HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 305: "Arise, My Soul, Arise"

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

GOD CLEANSSES US OF OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION: Exodus 20:1-17

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

- I. "You shall have no other gods before me.
- II. **"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.**
- III. "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.
- IV. **"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.**
- V. "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.
- VI. **"You shall not murder.**
- VII. "You shall not commit adultery.
- VIII. **"You shall not steal.**
- IX. "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- X. **"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."**

**CORPORATE CONFESSION** (congregation kneels as able)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

[Silent prayer of personal confession] **Amen.**

† **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

† **THE PEACE**

† **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. 310: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"**

**GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING: 2 Samuel 6:1-15**

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 1:15-23**

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

† **PSALM 90, NO. 30: "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"**

† **GOSPEL READING: John 17:6-17**

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

### Praying for the Elect

#### † CONFESSION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed

**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 worshiped 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.      *\*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

*Sung in unison*

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord God of Hosts Heav'n and earth are full\_\_of your Glo - ry. Ho

san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he\_\_ who\_ comes\_\_

in\_\_ the name of the Lord our God. Ho - san - na, ho-san-na in the High - est.

**EUCCHARISTIC MEDITATION**

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**Distribution of the Bread and Communion in the Body of Christ**

**Communion Song: "Behold the Lamb" v. 1-2 (printed on page 8)**

**Distribution of the Cup and Communion in the Blood of Christ**

**Communion Song: "Behold the Lamb" v. 3-4**

**PRAYER OF BLESSING**

**GOD COMMISSIONS US TO GO INTO THE WORLD**

† **HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 103: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"**

† **BENEDICTION: 2 Corinthians 13:14**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

† **THREE-FOLD AMEN**


† **POSTLUDE**

## Behold The Lamb

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### VERSE

F2/A                      G/B                      C                      Dm7 C/E G                      C/E                      F2



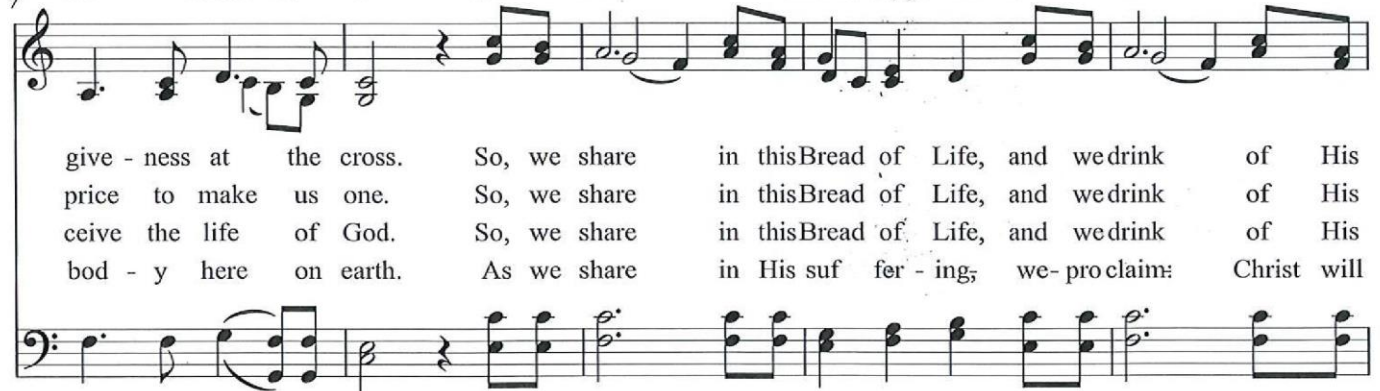
1. Be hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us:  
2. The bod - y of our Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, torn for you:  
3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for you:  
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re - spond

4 C/G                      G7sus G7 F2/A                      G/B                      C                      Dm7 C/E G C/E



And we re - mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who come in faith find for -  
Eat and re - mem - ber the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the  
Drink and re - mem - ber He drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re -  
and to re - mem - ber our call to fol - low in the steps of Christ as His

7 F2                      G7sus G7 C                      C/E F2                      C2/E Fmaj7 G2 C/E                      F2



give - ness at the cross. So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His  
price to make us one. So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His  
ceive the life of God. So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His  
bod - y here on earth. As we share in His suf - fer - ing, we - pro - claim: Christ will



12 C2/E F2 G C/E F2 C2/E Fmaj7 G7sus F2/A Fmaj7 G7

sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our bonds of peace a - round the ta - ble of the  
 sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our bonds of love a - round the ta - ble of the  
 sac - ri - fice, as a sign of our bonds of grace a - round the ta - ble of the  
 come a - gain! And we'll join in the feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the

**TURNAROUND / OUTRO**

C2 C2/F C2 C2/F C2

King.  
 King.  
 King.  
 King.

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## NOTES

1. Thanksgiving

2. Knowledge

a) Hope

b) Inheritance

c) Power