

Proclaiming a Hope

Building a Home

Launching a Healing

The Lord's Day, February 16, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word, Prayer and Sacrament of Baptism

February 16, 2025 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

*O Day of Rest and Gladness

Music: Christopher Miner; Lyrics: Christopher Wordsworth, 1862



*Call to Worship1

Psalm 18:1-3, 17-19, 30-31, 46, 49

Elder: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my

fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

People: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am

saved from my enemies.

Elder: He rescued me from my strong enemy and from those who

hated me, for they were too mighty for me. They confronted me in the day of my calamity, but the LORD was my support.

People: He brought me out into a broad place; he rescued me,

because he delighted in me.

Elder: This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true;

he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him. For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?—

All: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the

God of my salvation... For this I will praise you, O LORD,

among the nations, and sing to your name.

*How Firm a Foundation, verses 1-3, 6

Hymn No. 94

Music: FOUNDATION, Traditional American melody, arr. Joe Deegan Lyrics: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787

*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

*Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from 1 Peter 1:3-7

Elder: Church, what is our hope as God's people?

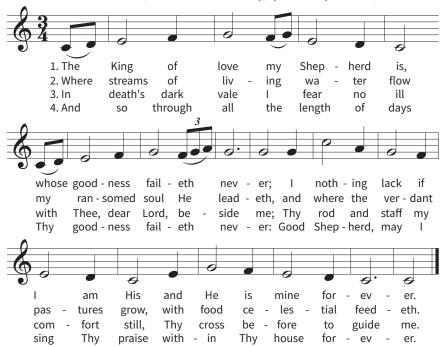
All:

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 us, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this we rejoice, though now we have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of our faith may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Music: ST. COLUMBA, Traditional Irish melody; Lyrics: Henry W. Baker, 1868



Call to Confession

Jeremiah 5:21-25

²¹"Hear this, O foolish and senseless people, who have eyes, but see not, who have ears, but hear not. ²²Do you not fear me? declares the LORD. Do you not tremble before me?... ²³But this people has a stubborn and rebellious heart; they have turned aside and gone away. ²⁴They do not say in their hearts, 'Let us fear the LORD our God... ²⁵[Therefore] your iniquities have turned these away, and your sins have kept good from you.

Silent Confession

Confession of Sin

All: O Lord, grant me the favor of being led by You under the directions of Your providence and Your word. Grant me Your blessings with bitter things, to brighten and quicken me, not to depress and make me lifeless. Cast me not under the feet of pride, injustice, riches, worldly greatness, selfish oppression of man. Help me to wait patiently, silently upon You, not to be enraged or speak unadvisedly. Let your mercy follow me while I live, and give me aid to resign myself to Your will. Take my heart and hold it in Your hand; write upon it reverence to Yourself with an inscription that time and eternity cannot erase. To Your grace and the care of Your covenant I commit myself for You have overcome the world, fulfilled the law, finished justifying righteousness, swallowed up death in victory and taken all power everywhere. Mark this covenant with Your own blood in the court of forgiving mercy. Through Christ and for His sake. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

John 10:27-29

²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

*Amazing Grace, verses 1-4, 6

Hymn No. 460

Music: Traditional American melody, Edwin O. Excell, 1900 Lyrics: John Newton, 1779

Covenant Baptism

Scott Byrd

10:45 a.m. service Alexander Simpson Covenant Child of Thomas & Lauren

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know, verse 1

Hymn No. 189

10:45 a.m. service Music: William B. Bradbury, 1861; Lyrics: Anna B. Warner, 1859

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Alan Grafton

Offertory "Shepherd Walk Beside Me (Psalm 23)"

Music & Lyrics: Caroline Cobb Smith

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

**Children's Church Dismissal: During the 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Tim Kempe

Members of the Week:

Andrew & Brittany Wood; William

Steve & Judy Wood

Missionaries of the Week:

Tony & Tracy Boyd: Southeast Asia Suzy Triplett: Southeast Asia

Sunday School Teachers of the Week:

Jr. & Sr. High School: Scott Byrd & Phoebe Goodwin

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Johnny & Ev Barrett

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Scripture Reading Psalm 3:1-8 Page 448

Elder: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Singing Our Fears (Psalm 3)" Brian Sorgenfrei

Psalms: Songs of the Heart

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

^{**}Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!

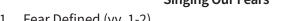


*Benediction²

^{*}Please stand, if able.

² Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.





1. Fear Defined (vv. 1-2)

2. Fear That Leads to Wisdom (vv. 3-8)

Musicians & AVL Team

Gabbie Bowden, vocals; Alyssa Bryant, lights & projections; Randall Bryant, keyboard & vocals; Noel Childress, guitar; Alice Dabbs, vocals; Amanda Fliflet, percussion; Dylan Gray, bass; Erik Hom, violin; Max McDonaldson, sound engineer; Gabriel Miña-Reyes, cello; Andy Paney, piano; Jonathan Watts, banjo/mandolin

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Join the men of Christ Pres for our annual Men's Retreat, a Friday night and Saturday morning retreat with the luxury of sleeping back in your own bed in your own home on Friday. We will enjoy good food, music and two messages from Rev. Russ Whitfield inviting us as men to see the beauty of Jesus and His mission. The retreat will be February 28 - March 1, 2025 at Camp Hopewell with dinner and breakfast provided. For more details and to register, scan this QR code with your phone's camera.





Current 9-12th graders: Join us on March 28-29th in Clarksdale, MS as we assist Fuller Center for Housing in helping to build houses for those in need. For more details and to register, scan this QR code with your phone's camera.



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