

Proclaiming a Hope

Building a Home

Launching a Healing

The Lord's Day, March 16, 2025

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

# A Service of Word, Prayer and Sacrament of Baptism

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

## \*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Hymn No. 38

Music: ST. DENIO, Traditional Welsh melody; Lyrics: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

Les Newsom

# \*Call to Worship1

Psalm 145:10-13, 17-21

Elder: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your

saints shall bless you! They shall speak of the glory of your

kingdom and tell of your power,

People: to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,

and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Elder: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion

endures throughout all generations.

People: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

Elder: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him

in truth.

People: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears

their cry and saves them.

Elder: The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he

will destroy.

All: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh

bless his holy name forever and ever.

# \*I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Hymn No. 119

Music: FOREST GREEN, Traditional English melody, arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 Lyrics: Isaac Watts, 1715

#### \*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

The Scots Confession, Chapter 1

All: We confess and acknowledge one only God, to whom only we must cleave, whom only we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom only we must put our trust; who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance, and yet distinct in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; by whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable Providence, to such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice has appointed them, to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

#### \*All Creatures of Our God and King

Hymn No. 115

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, arr. David Crowder Lyrics: Francis of Assisi, ca. 1225, tr. William H. Draper, 1926

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand, if able.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

#### **Call to Confession**

Hebrews 12:25-26, 28-29

<sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens."

<sup>28</sup>...let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup>for our God is a consuming fire.

#### Silent Confession

#### **Confession of Sin**

All: O God, holy is Your wisdom, power, mercy, ways, works; how can I stand before You with my numberless and aggravated offenses? I have often loved darkness, observed lying vanities, forsaken Your given mercies, trampled underfoot Your beloved Son, mocked Your providences, flattered You with my lips, and broken Your covenant. It is because of Your compassion that I am not consumed. Lead me to repentance and save me from despair. Let me come to You renouncing myself, but hoping in the grace that flows even to the chief of sinners. At the cross may I contemplate the evil of sin and abhor it; look on Him whom I pierced as One slain for me and by me. Revealed are You in the person and work of Your Son, the friend of sinners, our Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be His name. Amen.

# \*Assurance of Forgiveness

Hebrews 12:18, 22-24

<sup>18</sup>For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest...

<sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.



### **Covenant Baptism**

## 8:30 a.m. service Henry Wells Harris Covenant Child of Sam & Kacie

## Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer

8:30 a.m. service Music: ST. COLUMBA, Old Irish Hymn Melody; Lyrics: Thomas Haweis, 1808



## **Offertory Prayer**

Deacon Allen Thigpen

Offertory "Psalm 8 (How Majestic Is Your Name)"

Music & Lyrics: Shane Bernard

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 Wayne Irby

Members of the Week:

Fisher & Lauren Adkins

John & Elizabeth Adrian; Jack and Betsy

Missionaries of the Week:

Streets Ministries: Urban Youth Outreach - Memphis, TN Alex Coleman: Operation Life Vision - Oxford, MS

Sunday School Teachers of the Week:

Pre-K & Kindergarten - Elizabeth & John Adrian; Meredith & John Jordan

**Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:** 

**Errol & Sue Castens** 

# 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 8:1-9 Page 450

Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

<sup>\*\*</sup>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!

# "Singing Our Search for Significance (Psalm 8)"

Psalms: Songs of the Heart

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

#### \*All Things New Again Music & Lyrics: Joe Deegan will 1. For be hold, He cre ate 2. For hold, be the sun will rise 3. For be hold, the ho moun-tain, ly 2 -2 а new hea vens and new earth. waste lands dead and 0 ver dry; the wolf and lamb shall graze, where 2will He drive а way our sor - row and our pain, ri full in its place shall spring ver of life. а where we lay our heads and fin - ally find our home, and this mo men ta ry grief, Εv will be un done, 'ny wrong songs where the sang in sha - dows we - 2 though hea vy as it seems, shall thirs ev 'ny ty soul come, will be God's sung to own face, ♂. will crushed glo - ry's weight. be by great e ter - nal and drink from liv - ing with - out wa - ter price. where His smile will be the thing we trea - sure most. 3x: repeat Chorus: He will make all things new a-gain. He will keep all He will love His all who come to Him. pro-mis-es. And He will make all things new a - gain.

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# Sermon Notes Psalm 8

# "Singing Our Search for Significance"

1. The Significance of the Lord (vv. 1-2)

2. The Significance of Man (vv. 3-8)

3. The Significant Response (v. 9)

#### Musicians & AVL Team

Denease Bishop, vocals; Randall Bryant, guitar & vocals; Noel Childress, mandolin; Amanda Fliflet, sound engineer; Dylan Gray, bass; Erik Hom, violin; Andy Paney, piano; Whitney Reese, lights & projections; Daniel Spears, percussion; Damein Wash, keyboard & vocals

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



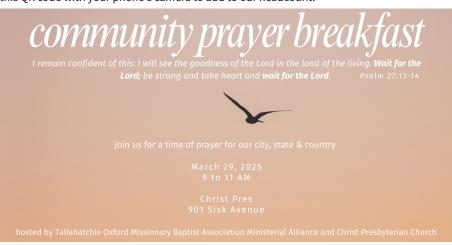
Current 9-12th graders: Join us on March 28-29th in Clarksdale, MS as we assist Fuller Center for Housing in helping to build houses for those in need. For more details and to register, scan this QR code with your phone's camera.





Let's enjoy the longer, sunnier days together with a concert & dinner on the grounds! Join us at 5pm on March 23rd in the sanctuary to enjoy psalms, hymns, and other scripture songs by The Corner Room! Shortly after the concert we will move outside for dinner & dessert on the patio. Everyone is welcome (college students too), bring friends, just let us know how many you'll bring so we can have enough food. Scan this QR code with your phone's camera to add to our headcount.





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