



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

JUNE 12, 2022

Welcome to Good Shepherd

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If this is your first time with us, we are especially glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters regarding the location of the nursery, restrooms, or just a cup of coffee!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will offer some explanations and hopefully help you participate. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered as we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel each week. We gather not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter and covenant renewal with God. Therefore, our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

We also hope that you will join us after the service. Downstairs in the fellowship hall you will find plenty of refreshments and snacks as well as a warm welcome from our church family. If you have any questions from the sermon you can return to the sanctuary about 15 minutes after the service for our *Ask the Pastor* time. This is a great place to process the wonderful truths of the Gospel that we proclaim.

Lastly, we would love to know that you were here this morning. In the backs of the pews there is an info sheet that you can fill out and put in the offering basket during the service. Don't worry, we won't bombard you with endless emails. We just want an opportunity to say hello. If there is any way that we can pray for you, or if you have questions about the church, you can write those on the back as well.

Wherever you are this morning, our hope is that God would attend to the ministry of His Word, and that you would know the love of your blessed Savior.



A Word to Parents with Young Children

First, we want you to know that we are delighted to have your children in worship with us this morning. There is nothing better that we can give our children than the opportunity to know and worship their Heavenly Father. Any noises that they may make are not an embarrassing distraction, but a beautiful reminder that they are participating in God's means of grace.

We do understand, however, that it is sometimes helpful to have other means of serving our children and families. Through the back doors of the sanctuary you will find a **cry room** if you have little ones that are getting fussy or who need to nurse. We also have an **overflow room** with a live-stream of the service in the downstairs fellowship hall. Lastly, we have a **nursery** downstairs for children ages 0-3. Staff in the nursery are background checked and trained.

Order of Worship

Preparation

We invite you to take a few moments this morning to prayerfully prepare to meet with and worship the living God.

Preparatory Thought.....*Hebrews 12:22-24*

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, 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, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

Call to Worship*.....*Isaiah 2:1-5*

Leader: The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say:

Congregation: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

*please stand if able

God's people come because he first calls them. We open our services this way as a reminder that it is God himself who is calling us into his presence this morning.

Leader: For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

Song**Come People of the Risen King*

Renewal

Scripture Reading.....*Jonah 3:1-5*

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....*John 5:24*

Leader: Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

Offering/Hymn #108.....*Whate'er My God Ordains is Right*

Congregational Prayer.....

The Word of God is always sufficient to do the work of God. Therefore, each week we continue the practice of God's people listening to the public reading of scripture.

While it is right for us to confess our sins in light of God's holiness, our forgiveness is not merited through this act or the absolution of a priest. Rather, it is Christ who saves and speaks through His Word to assure us that our sin has been pardoned.

If you are visiting with us there is no expectation for you to contribute to this morning's offering. For those who are giving we remember that we are called to joyful worship of the God who continues to give us all that we need in Christ.

Come People of the Risen King



1. Come, peo - ple of the ris - en King, who de - light to bring him praise.
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night.
3. Come, young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wom - en of the faith.



Come, all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace.
Come, those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight.
Come, those with full or emp - ty hands, find the rich - es of his grace.



From the shift - ing shad - ows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him,
For his per - fect love will nev - er change, and his mer - cies nev - er cease,
O - ver all the world his peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them call



where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to gath - er child - ren in.
but fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.
the truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our God is all in all."

Refrain

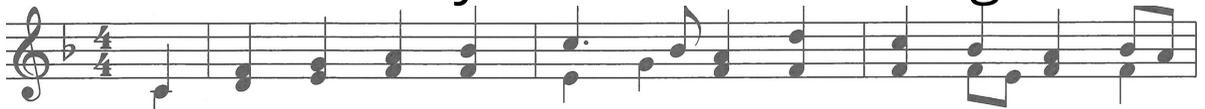


Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re - joice!

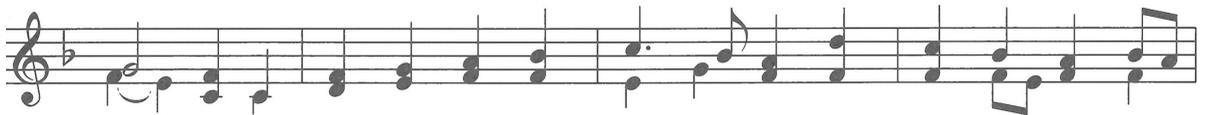
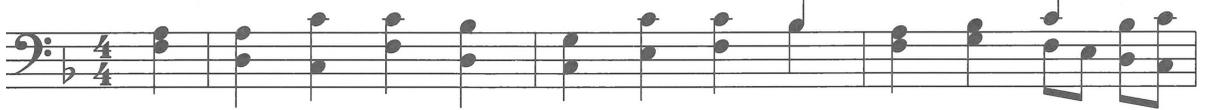


One heart, one voice, oh Church of Christ, re - joice!

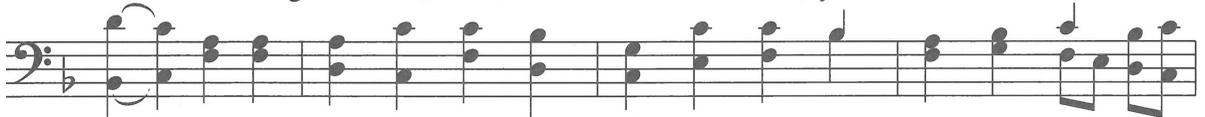
Whate'er My God Ordains is Right



1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: his ho - ly will a -
2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: he nev - er will de -
3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: though now this cup, in
4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: here shall my stand be



bid - eth; I will be still what - e'er he doth, and fol - low where he
ceive me; he leads me by the prop - er path; I know he will not
drink - ing, may bit - ter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all un -
tak - en; though sor - row, need, or death be mine, yet am I not for -



guid - eth. He is my God; though dark my road, he holds me
leave me. I take, con - tent, what he hath sent; his hand can
shrink - ing. My God is true; each morn a - new sweet com - fort
sak - en. My Fa - ther's care is round me there; he holds me



that I shall not fall: where - fore to him I leave it all.
turn my griefs a - way, and pa - tient - ly I wait his day.
yet shall fill my heart, and pain and sor - row shall de - part.
that I shall not fall: and so to him I leave it all.



Each week, we preach, verse by verse through books of the Bible so that we are instructed by the full counsel of God, rather than whatever the preacher deems most important.

We celebrate the Lord's Supper every week trusting that our Lord is truly, spiritually present nourishing His people. If you are a member of a local church, have been baptized, and believe that you are saved by grace through faith, then we welcome you to participate with us.

Proclamation

Hymn #676*.....*Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn
"Preparation for Persecution" - *Daniel 8*

Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper.....

Hymn #338*.....*Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart*

Benediction*.....

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

1. Day by day and with each pass - ing mo - ment, strength I find to
2. Ev - ery day the Lord him - self is near me with a spe - cial
3. Help me then in ev - ery trib - u - la - tion so to trust your

meet my tri - als here; trust - ing in my Fa - ther's wise be - stow - ment,
mer - cy for each hour; all my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me,
prom - is - es, O Lord, that I lose not faith's sweet con - so - la - tion

I've no cause for wor - ry or for fear. He whose heart is kind be -
he whose name is Coun - sel - or and Pow'r. The pro - tec - tion of his
of - fered me with - in your ho - ly Word. Help me, Lord, when toil and

yond all mea - sure gives un - to each day what he deems best—lov - ing -
child and trea - sure is a charge that on him - self he laid; "As your
trou - ble meet - ing, e'er to take, as from a fa - ther's hand, one by

ly, its part of pain and plea - sure, min - gling toil with peace and rest.
days, your strength shall be in mea - sure," this the pledge to me he made.
one, the days, the mo - ments fleet - ing, till I reach the prom - ised land.

Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart

1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; wean it from
 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies, no sud - den
 3. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King? All, all thine
 4. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh; teach me the
 5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love, one ho - ly

earth, through all its puls - es move; stoop to my weak - ness,
 rend - ing of the veil of clay, no an - gel vis - i -
 • own, soul, heart, and strength and mind. I see thy cross—there
 strug - gles of the soul to bear, to check the ris - ing
 pas - sion fill - ing all my frame; the bap - tism of the

might - y as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.
 tant, no o - p'ning skies; but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 • teach my heart to cling: O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
 doubt, the reb - el sigh; teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 heav'n - de - scend - ed Dove, my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

Sermon Outline

"Preparation for Persecution" - *Daniel 8*

Big Idea: *When God graciously gives a glimpse of the future, it is to keep you from falling away.*

Introduction: Who Cares About Great Goats and Little Horns?

When a Goat Rams a Ram

When a Little Horn Attacks the Host of Heaven

Conclusion: Applying the Vision

- 1. Learn with Daniel to rest in God's sovereign control over a very beastly world.*
- 2. Learn with Daniel to rest in God's special care and concern for his people.*
- 3. Learn with Daniel to care about what God cares about.*
- 4. Learn with Daniel to faithfully labor in a fallen world that will pass away.*
- 5. Learn with Daniel to live with real yet limited understanding.*
- 6. Learn with Daniel not to despair when life plays out differently than you expect.*

Sermon Notes

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Announcements

- Our first **women's retreat** is scheduled for October 28-29 at Maranatha Bible Camp.
- **Alternatives of Kalamazoo** will be hosting a Walk for Life event on 6/18. More information can be found on their website or the flyers at the welcome table.

Financials

- Total Giving through April (\$71,203)
- Total Expenses through April (\$77,770)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$21,195)

Get Involved

- Join us after the service for our **Ask the Pastor** time where you can follow up on the sermon or ask other Bible and faith questions you may have.
- **Senior and Junior High** students are invited to attend our weekly catechism class after service in the upstairs classrooms.
- **Young Adults** meet every Wednesday for fellowship and a sermon discussion.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets every other Thursday at 7:30pm.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening time slots.
- We have **fellowship groups** that meet throughout the week in the greater Kalamazoo area.
- **The choir** meets for practice every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

