



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

FEBRUARY 12, 2023

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.....

“Providence is mysterious in such a way that we shortsighted souls are not able to catch the spectacle of God’s distant ends. God does not focus on the present advantage for himself and his creatures, but his eye is to his own glory in all, even to the very last ages of the world. God discloses grand designs in small things, and noble mysteries are hidden in the least of his acts.” - Stephen Charnock

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

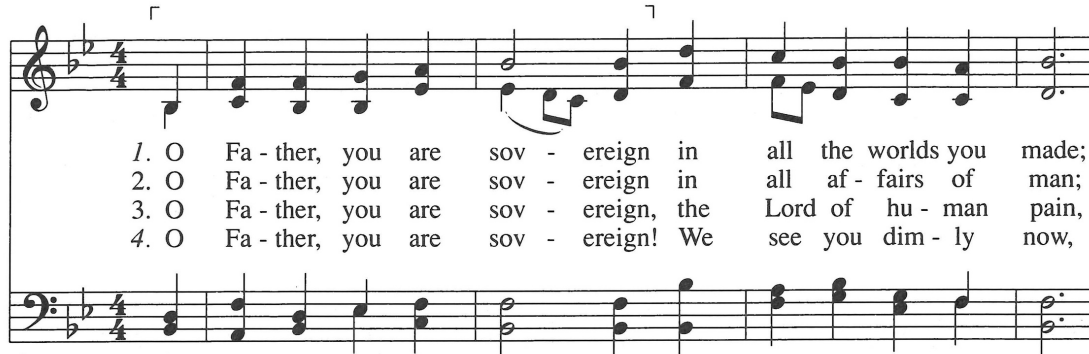
Call to Worship*.....1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Leader: Therefore David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: “Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

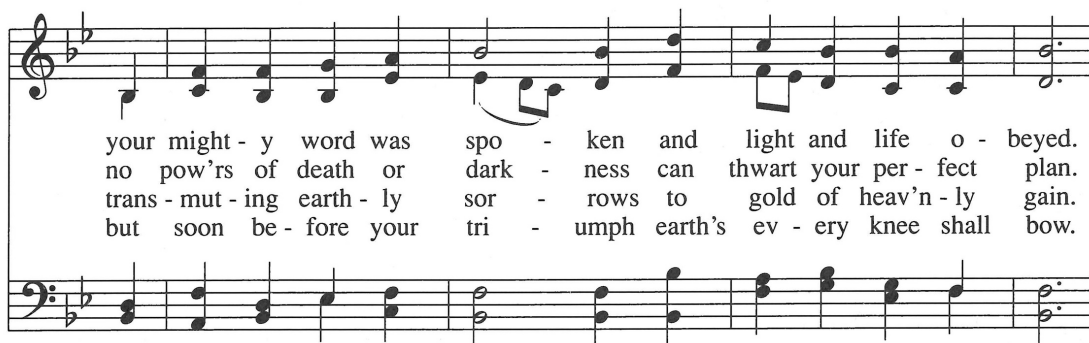
*please stand if able

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.

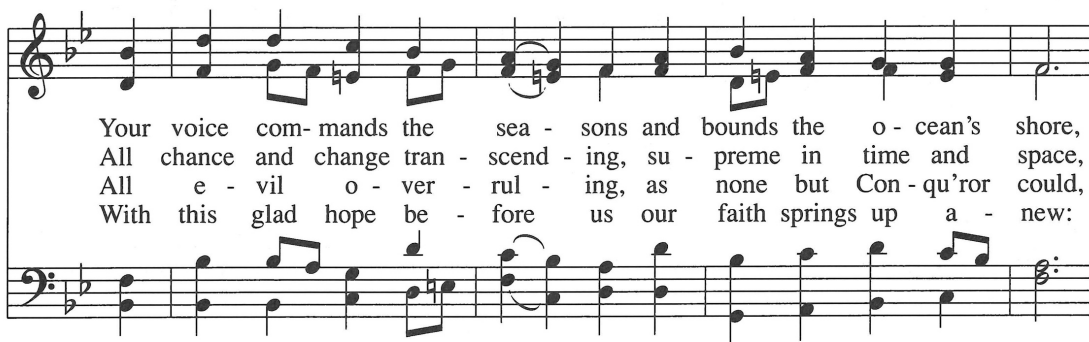
O Father, You Are Sovereign



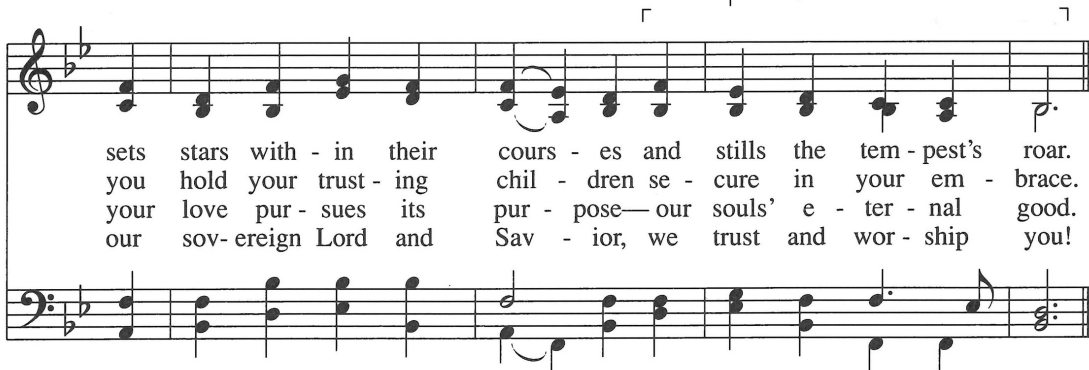
1. O Fa - ther, you are sov - ereign in all the worlds you made;
 2. O Fa - ther, you are sov - ereign in all af - fairs of man;
 3. O Fa - ther, you are sov - ereign, the Lord of hu - man pain,
 4. O Fa - ther, you are sov - ereign! We see you dim - ly now,



your might - y word was spo - ken and light and life o - beyed.
 no pow'rs of death or dark - ness can thwart your per - fect plan.
 trans - mut - ing earth - ly sor - rows to gold of heav'n - ly gain.
 but soon be - fore your tri - umph earth's ev - ery knee shall bow.



Your voice com - mands the sea - sons and bounds the o - cean's shore,
 All chance and change tran - scend - ing, su - preme in time and space,
 All e - vil o - ver - rul - ing, as none but Con - qu'ror could,
 With this glad hope be - fore us our faith springs up a - new:



sets stars with - in their cours - es and stills the tem - pest's roar.
 you hold your trust - ing chil - dren se - cure in your em - brace.
 your love pur - sues its pur - pose—our souls' e - ter - nal good.
 our sov - ereign Lord and Sav - ior, we trust and wor - ship you!

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.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

Hymn #75*.....*O Father, You Are Sovereign*

Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture Reading.....Romans 4:19-25

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

Leader: For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.

Offering/Psalm 89.....*My Song Forever Shall Record*

Congregational Prayer.....

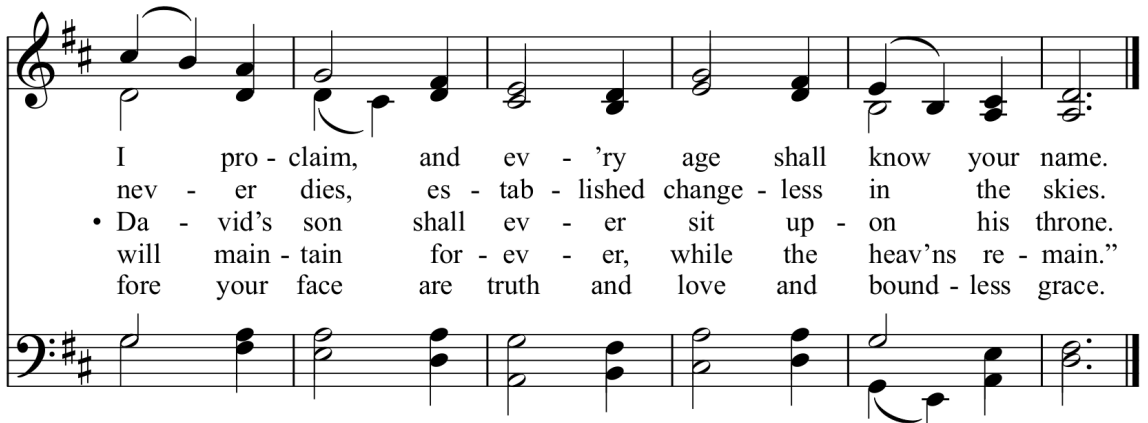
My Song Forever Shall Record



1. My song for - ev - er shall re - cord the ten - der
 2. I sing of mer - cies that en - dure, for - ev - er
 3. Be - hold God's truth and grace dis - played, for he has
 4. "For him my mer - cy shall en - dure, my cov - 'nant
 5. Al - might - y God, your loft - y throne has jus - tice



mer - cies of the Lord; your faith - ful - ness will
 build - ed firm and sure, of faith - ful - ness that
 • faith - ful cov - 'nant made, and he has sworn that
 made with him is sure; his throne and race I
 for its cor - ner - stone, and shin - ing bright be -



I pro - claim, and ev - 'ry age shall know your name.
 nev - er dies, es - tab - lished change - less in the skies.
 • Da - vid's son shall ev - er sit up - on his throne.
 will main - tain for - ev - er, while the heav'ns re - main."
 fore your face are truth and love and bound - less grace.

6. With blessing is the nation crowned
 whose people know the joyful sound;
 they in the light, O Lord, shall live,
 the light your face and favor give.

7. Your name with gladness they confess,
 exalted in your righteousness;
 their fame and might to you belong,
 for in your favor they are strong.

8. All glory unto God we yield,
 the Lord God is our help and shield;
 all praise and honor we will bring
 to Israel's Holy One, our King.

9. Blest be the Lord forevermore,
 whose promise stands from days of yore.
 His word is faithful now as then;
 blest be his name. Amen! Amen!

*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.
Please know that we use
gluten free bread.*

Proclamation

Hymn #125*.....*Let All Things Now Living*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn
"Better and Unbreakable"
Hebrews 8 (p.1005)

Response

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

Hymn #189*.....*Jesus Loves Me, This I Know*

Benediction*.....

Postlude.....

Let All Things Now Living

Capo 3: Γ F(D) Gm(Em) C(A) 7

1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing
2. His law he en - forc - es: the stars in their cours - es,

F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C⁷(A⁷) F(D)

to the God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
the sun in its or - bit, o - be - dient - ly shine;

Gm(Em) C(A)

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains,

F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C⁷(A⁷) F(D)

who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
the deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.

Let All Things Now Living

C'(A')

His ban - ners are o'er us, his light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing,

F(D) Dm(Bm) C(A) G7(E7) C(A)

a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth song in the night,
with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise,

F(D) Gm(Em) C(A)

'til shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished,
'til all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing

Γ F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C7(A7) F(D) 7

as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

Sermon Outline

"Better and Unbreakable"

Hebrews 8 (p. 1005)

Big Idea—*Jesus enacts a better ministry for salvation because it is based on an unbreakable covenant.*

Introduction: When Good Becomes Bad

A Better Ministry

An Unbreakable Covenant

Conclusion: No Better Way

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

C G C F F/C C

1. Je - sus loves me, this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2. Je - sus loves me, he who died, heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3. Je - sus loves me, loves me still, though I'm ver - y weak and ill;
 4. Je - sus loves me, he will stay close be - side me all the way:

G C F C C/G G⁷ C

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 from his shin - ing throne on high comes to watch me where I lie.
 if I love him, when I die he will take me home on high.

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Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

C F C/G G⁷ C 7

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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Announcements

- As we **update our directory for 2023**, please visit the members section of our website to make sure your contact info is correct.
- **Women's bible study** will be studying the second half of Exodus every other Thursday at 7pm beginning **2/23** in the fellowship hall. Contact Leandra Quinn with any questions.

Financials

- Total Giving through Nov. 2022 (\$238,611)
- Total Expenses through Nov. 2022 (\$225,124)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$38,721)

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.
- **Fellowship groups** meet every other week. Please contact Pastor Ryan if interested.
- **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.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening time slots.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets on alternating Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall.
- **The choir** practices every Tuesday at 7pm.