



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

FEBRUARY 19, 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.....

“To this universal, visible church Christ has given the ministry, oracles, and ordinances of God for the gathering and perfecting of the saints, in this life, to the end of the age. For this purpose he makes these means effectual by his own presence and Spirit, according to his promise” - Westminster Confession of Faith 25.3

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

Call to Worship\*.....John 4:23-24

**Leader:** But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

Prayer of Adoration\*.....

Song\*.....Before the Throne of God Above

\*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.*

# Before the Throne of God Above



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a  
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me  
3. Be - hold Him there! the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect  
4. I bow be - fore the cross of Christ and mar - vel



strong and per - fect plea, A great High Priest whose name is  
of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see Him  
spot - less Right - eous - ness, the great un - chang - a - ble "I  
at this love di - vine, God's per - fect Son was sac - ri -



"Love," Who e - ver lives and pleads for me. My name is  
there Who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the  
AM," the King of glo - ry and of grace! One with Him -  
ficed to make me right - eous in God's eyes. This riv - er's



gra - ven on His hands, My name is writ - ten on His  
sin - less Sa - vior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed  
self I can - not die, My soul is pur - chased by His  
depths I can - not know, but I can glo - ry in its



heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can  
free; For God, the Just, is sa - tis - fied to look on  
blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my  
flood. The Lord Most High has bowed down low and poured on



bid me thence de - part, No tongue can bid me thence de - part.  
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.  
Sa - vior and my God, with Christ my Sa - vior and my God.  
me His glor - ious love, and poured on me His glor - ious love.

*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.*

## Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Romans 5:1-5 (p. 942)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....Psalm 34:17-18

**Leader:** When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

Offering/Song.....*Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

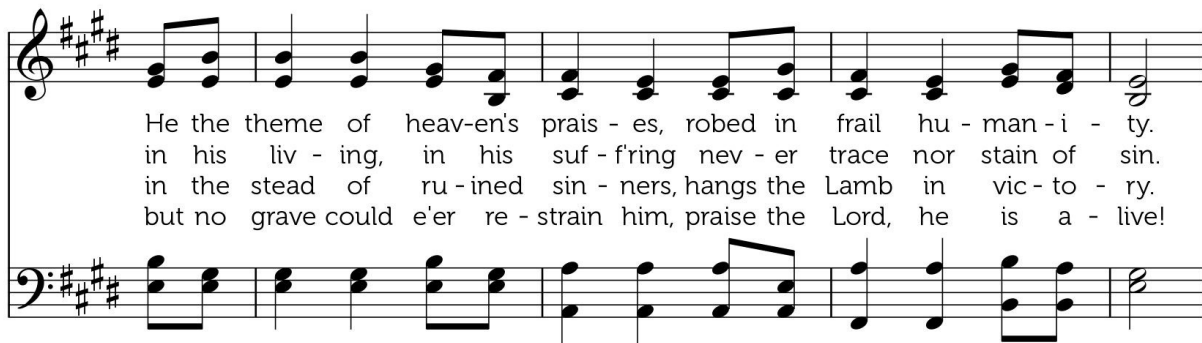
New Members and Baptisms.....

Congregational Prayer.....

# Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery



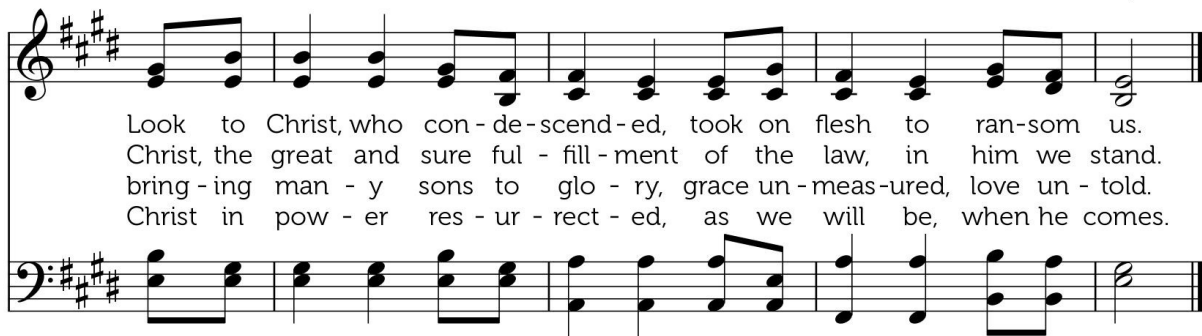
1. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, in the dawn-ing of the King;  
2. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, he the per - fect Son of Man;  
3. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree,  
4. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death the God of life;



He the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.  
in his liv - ing, in his suf - fring nev - er trace nor stain of sin.  
in the stead of ru - ined sin - ners, hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.  
but no grave could e'er re - strain him, praise the Lord, he is a - live!



In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has come;  
See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, come to save the hell - bound man;  
See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold;  
What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un - wa - ver - ing our hope;



Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.  
Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law, in him we stand.  
bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, grace un - meas - ured, love un - told.  
Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, as we will be, when he comes.

## Proclamation

*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.*

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

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon..... Rev. Neil Quinn

*"The Gift of a Clean Conscience"*

*Hebrews 9:1-14(p.1005)*

## Response

*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.*

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

Choir..... *No More Night*

Hymn #731\*..... *Doxology*

Benediction\*.....

Postlude.....

\*\*To allow full participation for all members, the Lord's Supper is served with gluten free bread.

# 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 G<sup>7</sup> 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.

REFRAIN F C G

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

C F C/G G<sup>7</sup> C 7

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



# Sermon Outline

"The Gift of a Clean Conscience"

*Hebrews 9:1-14 (p. 1005)*

**Big Idea**—*The clean conscience is the conscience that has bathed in the blood of Christ.*

**Introduction: The Paralysis of a Condemning Conscience**

**The Old Message: Do Not Enter**

**The Times They Are A-Changin'**

**The New Message: Enter**

**Conclusion: How to Answer Your Conscience**

# Sermon Notes

# Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:  
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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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.