



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

JUNE 25, 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

Preparatory Thought.....

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

“Conversely, we are God’s: let us therefore live for him and die for him. We are God’s: let his wisdom and will therefore rule all our actions. We are God’s: let all the parts of our life accordingly strive toward him as our only lawful goal. O, how much has that man profited who, having been taught that he is not his own, has taken away dominion and rule from his own reason that he may yield it to God!” - John Calvin

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

Call to Worship*.....Psalm 63:1-5

Leader: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips

Prayer of Adoration*.....

Hymn #92*.....*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

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.

*please stand if able

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of
los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the
do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe
man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be?
truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,
him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great;
Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,
we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

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.....Ephesians 3:7-13 (p. 977)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....Romans 10:9-11

Leader: If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.

Offering/Song.....*My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness*

Congregational Prayer.....

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness



1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who bore my pain;
2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who walks be - side;
3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who reigns a - bove;



who plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain;
who floods my weak-ness - es with strength and caus-es fear to fly;
whose wis - dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love.



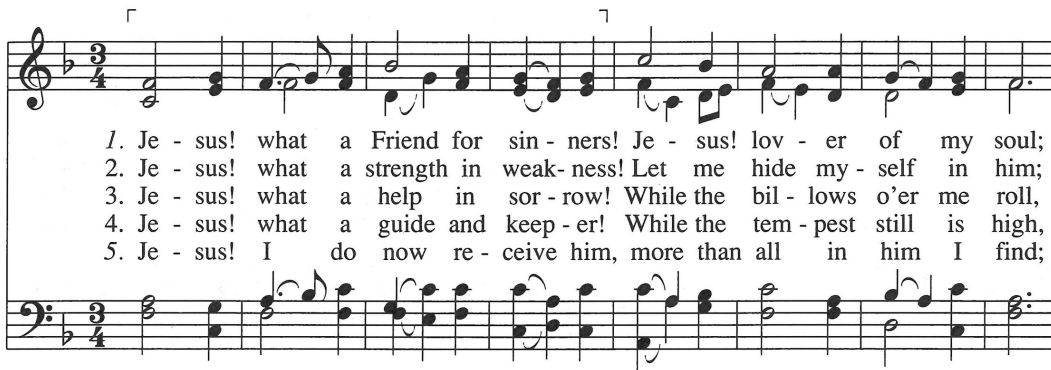
who crushed my curse of sin - ful-ness, and clothed me in his light,
whose ev - 'ry prom-ise is e-nough for ev - 'ry step I take;
For ev - 'ry day I have on earth is giv - en by the King,



and wrote his law of right-eous-ness with pow'r up - on my heart.
sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and crown-ing me with grace.
so I will give my life, my all, to love and fol - low him.



Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in him;
3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in him I find;

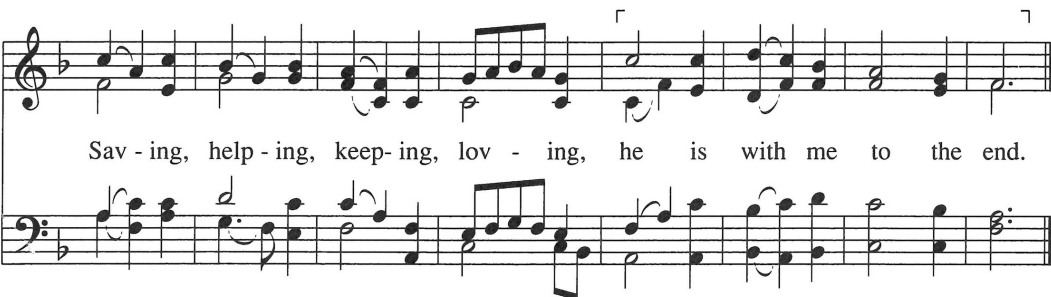


friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, he, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
• e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my com - fort, helps my soul.
storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my pi - lot, hears my cry.
he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am his, and he is mine.

REFRAIN



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, he is with me to the end.

*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 #498* *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn

"The Miracle of Faith"
Hebrews 11:29-31 (p. 1008)

Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

Hymn #175* *A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord*

Benediction*

Postlude.....

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

Sermon Outline

“The Miracle of Faith”

Hebrews 11:29-31 (p. 1008)

Big Idea—*The greatest miracle in the world is when a sinner is saved by faith in Christ.*

Introduction: Do You Pray for Miracles?

Three More Lessons on Faith in Action:

1. Faith makes all the difference.

2. Faith is not working for God's salvation; it is watching God work for your salvation.

3. Faith can save anyone.

Conclusion: Have Faith in God

Sermon Notes

A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord

1. A won - der - ful Sav - ior is Je - sus my Lord, a
 2. A won - der - ful Sav - ior is Je - sus my Lord, he
 3. With num - ber - less bless - ings each mo - ment he crowns, and
 4. When clothed in his bright - ness, trans - port - ed I rise to

won - der - ful Sav - ior to me; he hid - eth my soul in the
 tak - eth my bur - den a - way; he hold - eth me up, and I
 filled with a full - ness di - vine, I sing in my rap - ture, O
 meet him in clouds of the sky, his per - fect sal - va - tion, his

cleft of the rock, where riv - ers of plea - sure I see.
 shall not be moved, he giv - eth me strength as my day.
 glo - ry to God for such a Re - deem - er as mine!
 won - der - ful love, I'll shout with the mil - lions on high.

REFRAIN
 He hid - eth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shad - ows a dry, thirst - y

land; he hid - eth my life in the depths of his love, and cov - ers me

there with his hand, and cov - ers me there with his hand.

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Announcements

- We welcome you to stay for our monthly **fellowship meal** directly following this morning's service.
- Please complete the **survey** that was emailed on **6/15** to help the diaconate determine what talents and skills the members of our congregation have. We will use the responses as a resource to help meet one another's needs. If you did not receive a survey in your email, contact the administrative assistant by email to request a survey.

Financials

- Total Giving through May 2023 (\$130,121)
- Total Expenses through May 2023 (\$128,743)
- Welcome Home Fund (\$37,469)

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 regularly. Please contact Pastor Ryan if you are interested in joining a group.
- **Seniors** meet on the first Friday of each month at 10am at various locations. Please contact Larry Warner if interested.
- **Young Adults** meet every Wednesday for fellowship and a sermon discussion.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets on alternating Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall.
- **The choir** will begin meeting again in August.