



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

AUGUST 6, 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.....

“Meditation is the palate of the soul whereby we taste the goodness of God; the eye of the soul whereby we view the beauties of holiness... it is the key to the wine-cellar, to the banqueting house, to the garden of spices, which let us in to him whom our soul love; it is the arm whereby we embrace the promises at a distance, and bring Christ and our souls together.” - Thomas Watson

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

*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.*

Call to Worship\*.....Hebrews 4:14-16

**Leader:** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Prayer of Adoration\*.....

Hymn #1\*.....*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

\*please stand if able

# All People That on Earth Do Dwell

1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing  
 2. The Lord ye know is God in - deed; with -  
 3. O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap -  
 4. For why? The Lord our God is good, his

to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with fear, his  
 out our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he  
 preach with joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his  
 mer - cy is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times

praise forth - tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.  
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

## Renewal

*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.*

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Ephesians 5:1-14 (p. 978)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....John 11:25-26

**Leader:** Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

Offering/Hymn #179.....*Hallelujah! Thine the Glory*

Congregational Prayer.....

# Hallelujah! Thine the Glory

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1. We praise thee, O God! for the days of our youth,  
 2. We praise thee, O God! for the Son of thy love,  
 3. We praise thee, O God! for thy Spir - it of light,  
 4. All glo - ry and praise to the Lamb that was slain,

B<sup>b</sup> F C

for the bright lamp that shin - eth— the Word of thy truth.  
 for Je - sus who died and is now gone a - bove.  
 who has shown us our Sav - ior and scat - tered our night.  
 who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev - 'ry stain!

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 F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F C

Ha - le - lu - jah! thine the glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! we sing;

F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F C<sup>7</sup> F 7

ha - le - lu - jah! thine the glo - ry, our praise now we bring.

# In Christ Alone



1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;  
2. In Christ a-lone! who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help-less Babe!  
3. There in the ground His bod-y lay, light of the world by dark-ness slain;  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This cor-ner-stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the fier-cest drought and storm  
This gift of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the ones He came to save.  
then burst-ing forth in glo-rious day up from the grave He rose a-gain!  
from life's first cry to fin-al breath, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease!  
Till on that cross, as Je-sus died, the wrath of God was sat-is-fied,  
And as He stands in vic-to-ry sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev-er pluck me from His hand;



My com-fort-er, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
for ev-ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.  
for I am His and He is mine; bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
till He re-turms or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

*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

Song\* .....*In Christ Alone*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn

**"Unshakeable"**  
*Hebrews 12:18-29 (p. 1009)*

## Response

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

Hymn #9\* .....*All You That Fear Jehovah's Name*

Benediction\* .....

Postlude.....

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



# Sermon Outline

"Unshakeable"

*Hebrews 12:18-29 (p. 1009)*

Big Idea—*You will not be shaken when you receive the kingdom that cannot be shaken.*

**Introduction: When the World Shakes**

**Life Under the Law: Dreadful Distance**

**Life Under the Gospel: Joyful Access**

**The Warning: Do Not Refuse**

**The Invitation: Receive**

**Conclusion: Grateful Worship**

# Sermon Notes

# All You That Fear Jehovah's Name

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1. All you that fear Je - ho - vah's name, his glo - ry tell, his  
 2. The suf - f'ring One he has not spurned, who un - to him for  
 3. O Lord, your good - ness makes me raise a - mid your peo - ple  
 4. For all the meek you will pro - vide; they shall be fed and  
 5. The Lord's un - fail - ing righ - teous - ness all gen - er - a - tions

C G7 C
F C7 F 7 D7

praise pro - claim; you chil - dren of his cho - sen race, stand . . . in  
 help has turned; from him he has not hid his face, but an - swered  
 • songs of praise; be - fore all them that fear you, now I wor - ship  
 sat - is - fied; all they that seek the Lord shall live and nev - er -  
 shall con - fess; from age to age shall men be taught what won - drous

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C F Gm F C F 7

awe be - fore his face, stand . . . in awe be - fore his face.  
 his re - quest in grace, but an - swered his re - quest in grace.  
 • you and pay my vow, I wor - ship you and pay my vow.  
 end - ing prais - es give, and nev - er - end - ing prais - es give.  
 works the Lord has wrought, what won - drous works the Lord has wrought.

# Contact Us

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## Announcements

- There will be a **congregational meeting** after this morning's service to ratify the church's bylaws. Copies have been sent out in email form and can also be obtained at the welcome table.
- The **choir** will be resuming rehearsals beginning **August 8 at 7pm**. This is an open invitation to anyone interested in joining us. We are asking for a commitment until Christmas.
- We will be offering a new members class on **August 11 and 12**. If you are interested in this class, please contact Pastor Ryan.

## Financials

- Total Giving through June 2023 (\$156,380)
- Total Expenses through June 2023 (\$152,352)
- Welcome Home Fund (\$38,356)

## 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. 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. 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 resume rehearsals beginning August 8 and will meet every Tuesday at 7pm.