



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 10, 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.....

"The fundamental problem in the evangelical world today is that God rests too inconsequentially upon the church. ... His truth is too distant, his grace is too ordinary, his judgment is too benign, his gospel is too easy, and his Christ is too common. - David Wells

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

Call to Worship\*.....Psalm 150:1-6

**Leader:** Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration\*.....

Hymn #286\*.....*Worship Christ, the Risen King!*

*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

# Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Chords: F, Bb, F7, Bb, Eb, Bb, Gm, F7, Bb

1. Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.  
 2. See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares:  
 3. Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with power;  
 4. Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;  
 5. We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory;

Chords: Bb, F7, Gm, D, Gm, D, Gm, F, C7, F

Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.  
 "Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares."  
 • all hell's minions may assemble, but cannot withstand his hour.  
 but the truth proclaims a wonderful thought: hearts receive with cheer.  
 sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free.

Chords: F, Bb7, Eb, F, Cm, Dm, Cm, Gm, Bb, F7, Bb

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!  
 Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!  
 • He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!  
 He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!  
 Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

## Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Ephesians 6:18-23 (p. 979)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....Psalm 103:11-14

**Leader:** For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

Offering/Hymn #264.....*Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*

Welcoming New Members.....

Celebration of Baptism.....

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.*

# Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

F B $\flat$  F C $^7$  Dm B $\flat$  F C

1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross; there a pre - cious foun - tain,  
 2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;  
 3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;  
 4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

F B $\flat$  F C $^7$  Dm B $\flat$  F/C C C $^7$  F

free to all— a heal - ing stream— flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.  
 there the Bright and Morn - ing Star shed its beams a - round me.  
 help me walk from day to day with its sha - dow o'er me.  
 till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

REFRAIN  
 F B $\flat$  F C

In the cross, in the cross, be my glo - ry ev - er;

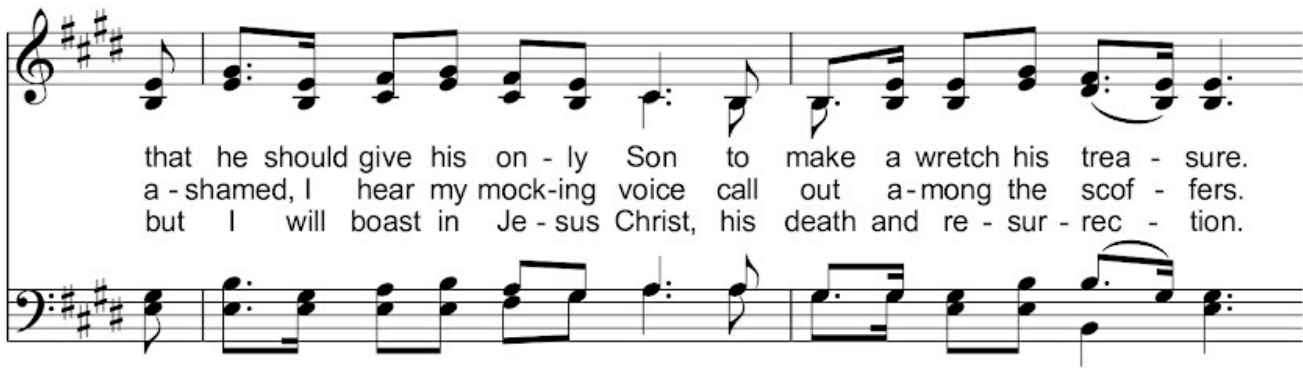
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till my rap - tured soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

# How Deep the Father's Love for Us



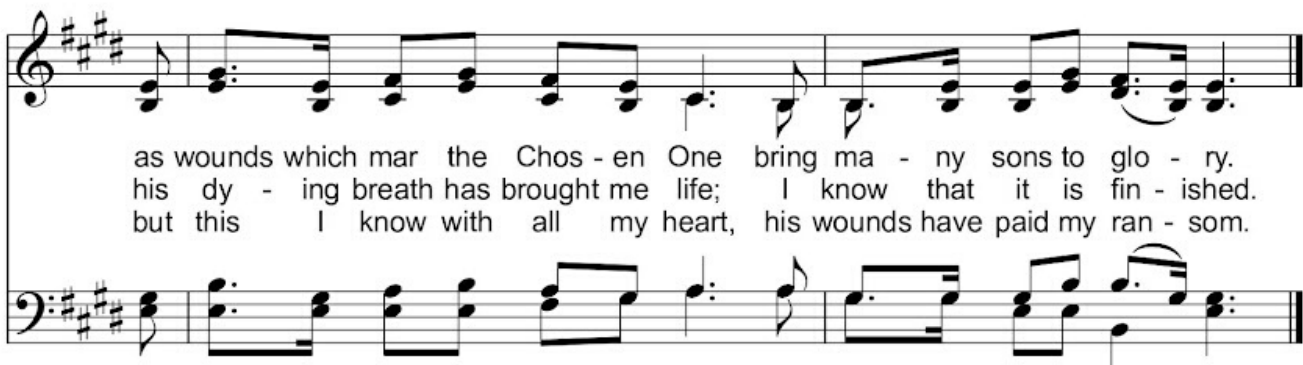
1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure,  
2. Be - hold the Man up - on the cross, my sin up - on his shoul - ders;  
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



that he should give his on - ly Son to make a wretch his trea - sure.  
a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.  
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, his death and re - sur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way,  
It was my sin that held him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;  
Why should I gain from his re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer;



as wounds which mar the Chos - en One bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.  
his dy - ing breath has brought me life; I know that it is fin - ished.  
but this I know with all my heart, his wounds have paid my ran - som.

*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\* .....*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn

*"Go to Christ Outside the Camp"  
Hebrews 13:10-16, 20-25 (p. 1009)*

## Response

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

Hymn #180\* .....*I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

Benediction\* .....

Postlude.....

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



# Sermon Outline

"Go to Christ Outside the Camp"

*Hebrews 13:10-16, 20-25 (p. 1009)*

Big Idea— *God is calling you to go to Christ outside the camp.*

## **Introduction: One More Plea to Pilgrims**

### **The Pilgrim's Door**

### **The Pilgrim's Exchange**

- 1. An exchange of shame*
- 2. An exchange of security*
- 3. An exchange of self*

## **Conclusion: A Word of Grace**

# I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

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1. I will sing the won - drous sto - ry of the  
 2. I was lost: but Je - sus found me, found the  
 3. Faint was I, and fears pos - sessed me, bruised was  
 4. Days of dark - ness still may meet me, sor - row's  
 5. He will keep me till the riv - er rolls its



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Christ who died for me, how he left the realms of  
 sheep that went a - stray, raised me up and gent - ly  
 • I from man - y a fall; hope was gone, and shame dis -  
 paths I oft may tread; but his pres - ence still is  
 wa - ters at my feet: then he'll bear me safe - ly



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glo - ry for the cross on Cal - va - ry.  
 led me back in - to the nar - row way.  
 • tressed me: but his love has par - doned all.  
 with me, by his guid - ing hand I'm led.  
 o - ver, made by grace for glo - ry meet.



REFRAIN

Yes, I'll sing the won - drous sto - ry  
 Yes, I'll sing the won-drous sto - ry

of the Christ who died for me,  
 of the Christ who died for me,

sing it with the saints in glo - ry,  
 sing it with the saints in glo - ry,

gath - ered by the crys - tal sea.  
 gath-ered by the crys - tal sea.

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## Announcements

- We will be having a "Dads Campout" on **9/29**. Look forward to more information in the coming weeks.

## Financials

- Total Giving through July 2023 (\$183,261)
- Total Expenses through July 2023 (\$175,211)
- Welcome Home Fund (\$39,243)

## 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 and on alternating Friday mornings from 9-11 in the church Fellowship Hall.
- **The choir** meets every Tuesday evening at 7pm.