



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 17, 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.....

“A practical, experimental knowledge of grace far transcends a mere notional or theoretical knowledge of it. It is like the difference between someone who has heard that honey is sweet, and someone who has tasted it.” – Anthony Burgess

Prelude.....

Choir.....*Our God Will Go Before Us*

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

Call to Worship*.....2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2

Leader: Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says, 'In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.' Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

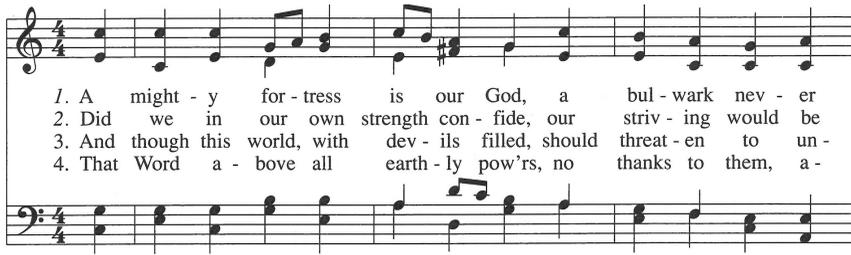
Hymn #92*.....*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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



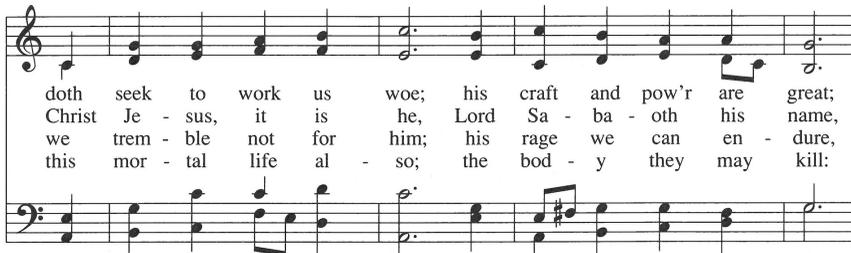
1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -



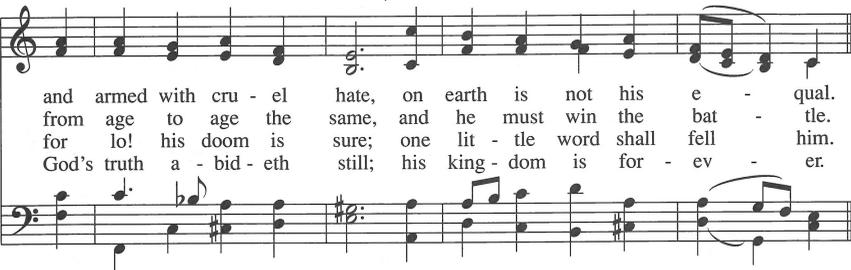
fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of
los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the
do - us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through



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.

Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Mark 1:1-8 (p. 836)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....Galatians 3:13-14

Leader: Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree’—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

Offering/Hymn #457.....*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

A⁷ D A D G D A⁷ D

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

A⁷ D G D A⁷ D G D

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
 Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

A⁷ D A 7 D G D A⁷ D 7

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me



1. What gift of grace is Je-sus my re-deem-er, there is no more for hea-ven now to
2. The night is dark but I am not for-sak-en, for by my side the Sav-ior he will
3. No fate I dread, I know I am for-giv-en, the fu-ture sure, the price it has been
4. With ev-'ry breath I long to fol-low Je-sus, for he has said that he will bring me



give. He is my joy, my right-eous-ness, and free-dom, my stead-fast
stay. I lab-or on in weak-ness and re-joic-ing, for in my
paid for Je-sus bled and suf-fered for my par-don, and he was
home. And day by day I know he will re-new me un-til I



love, my deep and bound-less peace. To this I hold, my hope is on-ly
need his pow-er is dis-played. To this I hold, my Shep-herd will de-
raised to ov-er-throw the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been de-
stand with joy be-fore the throne. To this I hold, my hope is on-ly



Je-sus, for my life is whol-ly bound to his. Oh how
fend me, through the deep-est val-ley he will lead. Oh the
feat-ed. Je-sus now and ev-er is my plea. Oh the
Je-sus. All the glo-ry ev-er-more to him. When the



strange and di-vine, I can sing, "All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me."
night has been won, and I shall ov-er-come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
chains are re-leased, I can sing, "I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me."
race is com-plete, still my lips shall re-peat, "Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

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* *Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Potter

*"Obtaining the Resurrection"
Philippians 3:12-14 (p. 981)*

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

“Obtaining the Resurrection”

Philippians 3:12-14 (p. 981)

Big Idea— *Living with Christ in the resurrection is the central hope of the Christian life, and we must pursue that hope through the means God has given us.*

What do You Want?

Means of the Resurrection

- **Freedom in Christ**
- **Forgetting the Past**
- **Pursuing the future**

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

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1. I will sing the wondrous story 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**. Please RSVP to nvanhofw@gmail.com.
- **Reminder: Children's Bible Study** will take place in the classroom wing and adults are invited to come back to the sanctuary for Ask the Pastor after the service this morning.

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.