



GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

OCTOBER 22, 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.....

“For when you assemble frequently in the same place, the powers of Satan are destroyed, and the destruction at which he aims is prevented by the unity of your faith.” - Ignatius of Antioch

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

Praise

Call to Worship*.....1 Peter 1:3-5

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.

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Prayer of Adoration*.....

Hymn #55**To God Be the Glory*

To God Be the Glory

G D' G D G C

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the
 2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be -
 3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

G A7 D G D7 G

world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and

D G C G D7 G

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

REFRAIN
G D G D D7 G

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,

G D7 G G D7 G

praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther thro'

D G C G D7 G 7

Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry, great things he has done!

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.....Mark 2:13-22 (p. 837)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

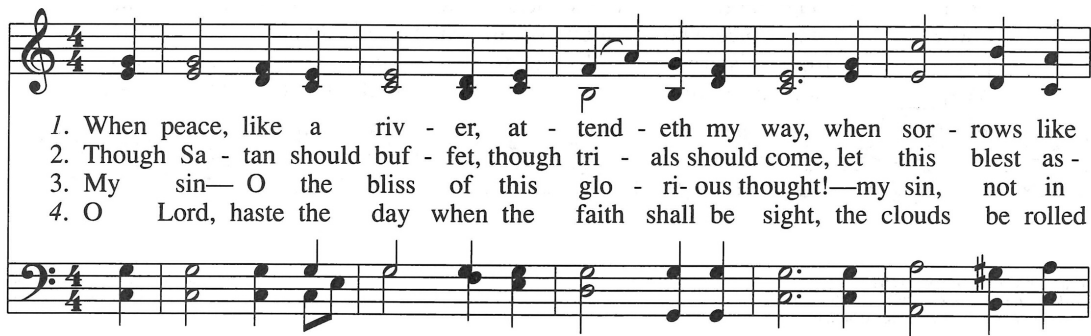
Assurance of Pardon.....Ephesians 1:3-6

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

Offering/Hymn #691.....*It Is Well with My Soul*

Congregational Prayer.....

It Is Well with My Soul



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3. My sin— O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled



sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,



REFRAIN
"It is well, it is well with my soul."
and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
"E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

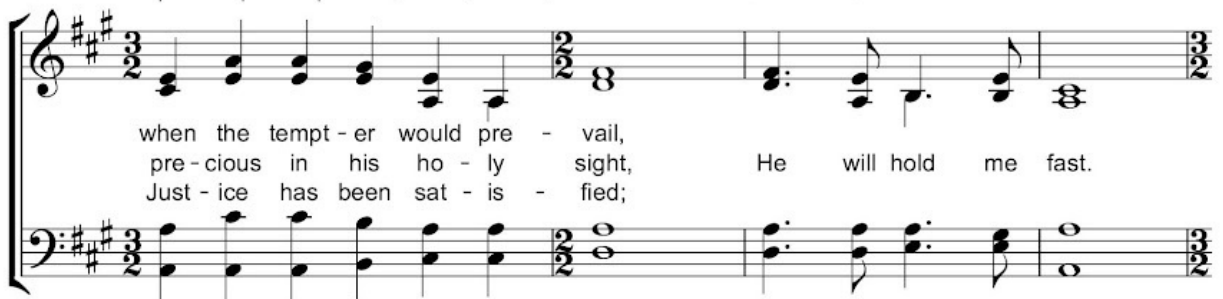


with my soul; with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

He Will Hold Me Fast



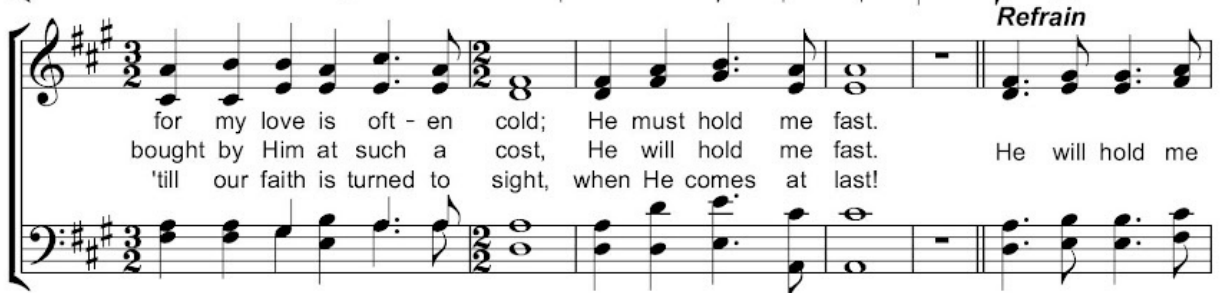
1. When I fear my faith will fail,
2. Those He saves are His de-light, Christ will hold me fast;
3. For my life He bled and died,



when the tempt-er would pre-vail,
pre-cious in his ho-ly sight, He will hold me fast.
Just-ice has been sat-is-fied;



I could nev-er keep my hold, through life's fear-ful path;
He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom-is-es shall last;
Raised with Him to end-less life, He will hold me fast



Refrain
for my love is oft-en cold; He must hold me fast.
bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. He will hold me
'till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!



fast, He will hold me fast; for my Sa-rior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

*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* *He Will Hold Me Fast*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn

"The King and His Kingdom"

Acts 1:6-11 (p. 909)

Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

Hymn #19* *Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!*

Benediction*

Postlude.....

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

Sermon Outline

"The King and His Kingdom"

Acts 1:6-11 (p. 909)

Big Idea— *What we want to know is not always what we need to know, and Jesus has told us what we need to know.*

Introduction: What Would You Ask?

The Question

The Answer

- 1. The nature of the kingdom.*
- 2. The extent of the kingdom.*
- 3. The timing of the kingdom.*
- 4. The mission of the kingdom.*

Conclusion: The Promise

Sermon Notes

Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord

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Gm F C F

1. Thee we a - dore, e - ter - nal Lord! We praise thy name with
 2. To thee a - loud all an - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the
 3. A - pos - tles join the glo - rious throng, and proph - ets swell th'im -
 4. From day to day, O Lord, do we ex - alt and high - ly

C G7 C F C7 F D7

one ac - cord. Thy saints, who here thy good - ness see, through all the
 pow'rs on high: thee, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly King, Lord God of
 mor - tal song; thy mar - tyrs' no - ble ar - my raise e - ter - nal
 hon - or thee! Thy name we wor - ship and a - dore, world with - out

Gm C7 F C F Gm F C F

world do wor - ship thee, through all the world do wor - ship thee.
 Hosts, they ev - er sing, Lord God of Hosts, they ev - er sing.
 an - thems to thy praise, e - ter - nal an - thems to thy praise.
 end, for - ev - er - more, world with - out end, for - ev - er - more.

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Announcements

- There will be a **free musical event** that will explore the person and work of Christ through hymns of the faith, accompanied by instrumentalists and singers from area churches on **11/4 at 6:30pm** at Grace Harbor Church in Kalamazoo.
- We will have a **Men's Breakfast** in the fellowship hall on **11/18 at 8:00am**.

Financials

- Total Giving through Sep 2023 (\$231,205)
- Total Expenses through Sep 2023 (\$223,413)
- Welcome Home Fund (\$41,017)

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 in the fellowship hall on the first Friday of each month from 12pm-2pm. Contact Larry Warner if you have any questions.
- **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.