

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | NOVEMBER 26, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:



*The Call to Worship

~ God's People Respond to His Call to Worship ~

*The Hymn of Praise No. TH35....."My God, How Wonderful Thou Art"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithThe Heidelberg Catechism No. 86

Q. Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

A. *Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also renewing us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, and that he may be praised through us, and further, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.*

The Call to Confession.....1 Timothy 1:8–11

Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

The Confession of Sin

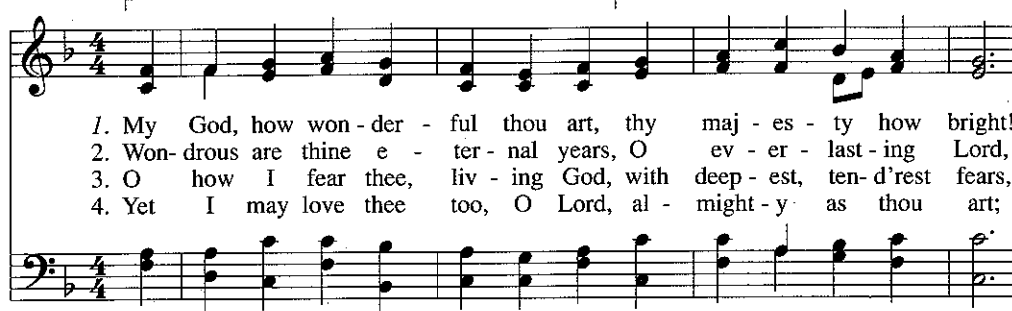
Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great Amen.

The Silent Confession

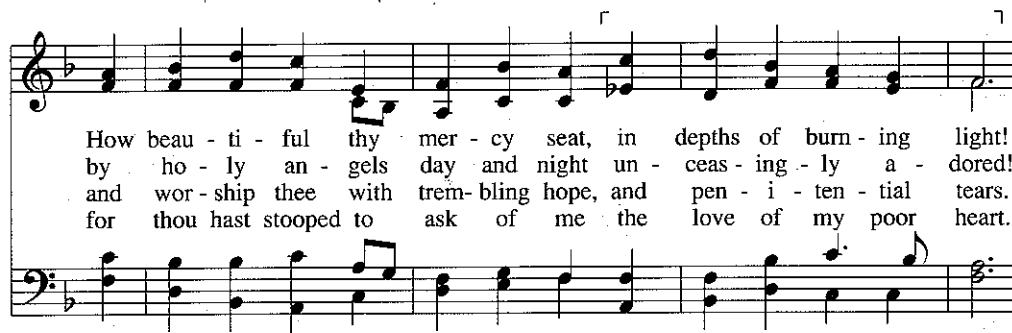
My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

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Who is like the LORD our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth? Ps. 113:5, 6



1. My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thy maj - es - ty how bright!
2. Won - drous are thine e - ter - nal years, O ev - er - last - ing Lord,
3. O how I fear thee, liv - ing God, with deep - est, ten - d'rest fears,
4. Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al - might - y as thou art;



How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat, in depths of burn - ing light!
by ho - ly an - gels day and night un - ceas - ing - ly a - dored!
and wor - ship thee with trem - bling hope, and pen - i - ten - tial tears.
for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.

5. No earthly father loves like thee,
no mother half so mild
bears and forbears, as thou hast done
with me, thy sinful child.
6. How wonderful, how beautiful,
the sight of thee will be,
thine endless wisdom, boundless pow'r,
and awesome purity!

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

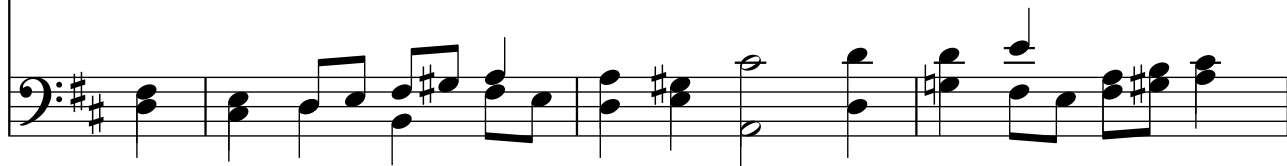
The Assurance of Pardon1 Timothy 1:15-16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 66“O Shout to God with Joy”

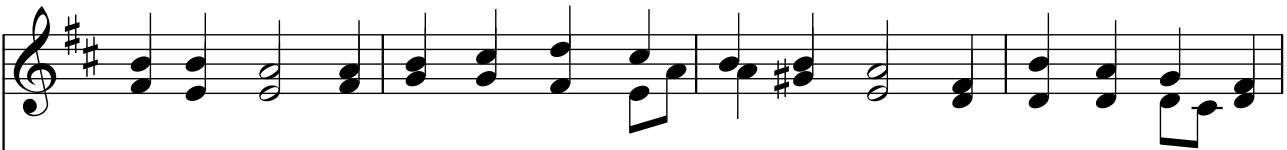


1. ¹O shout to God with joy, all earth, ²the glo - ry of his
2. ⁵O come and see what God has done; how awe - some in his
3. ⁸O peo - ples, bless our God and sound ⁹his praise, who makes our
4. ¹³I come with of - f'rings to your house; and there per - form to
5. ¹⁶Come, all who fear the Lord, draw near; what God has done for

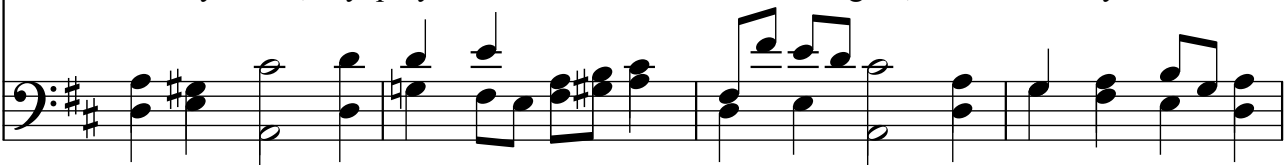


name sing forth, and give him glo - rious prais - es! ³Now say to God, “How
deeds to men is God a - mong the na - tions. ⁶He turned the sea to
• life a - bound and keeps our feet from fall - ing. ¹⁰Like sil - ver in a
you the vows ¹⁴my lips sin - cere - ly ut - tered. My mouth de - clared in
me, now hear: ¹⁷I cried to him and praised him. ¹⁸If sin took hold with -

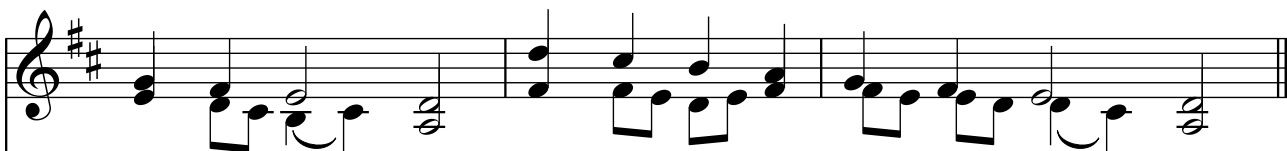
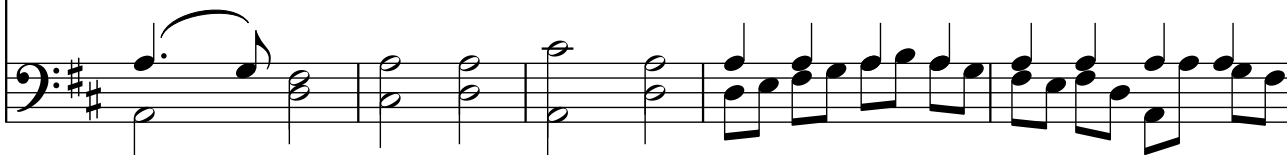




great your deeds, so great in pow'r, your en - e - mies will cringe be - fore your
des - ert land; we crossed by foot on riv - er sand and there sang ju - bi -
• fur - nace tried, you test - ed us and pur - i - fied; ¹¹you caught us in your
suf - fer - ing that I will bring burnt of - fer - ings—the fat and choic - est
in my heart, my pray'r the Lord would not re - gard, ¹⁹but tru - ly God has



pres - ence. ⁴Praise him! Praise him!—all the earth with voic - es ring - ing,
la - tion. ⁷King for - ev - er, God in watch - ful ob - ser - va - tion
• net - ting. You, Lord, crushed us—¹²fire and wa - ter came up - on us,
crea - tures. ¹⁵Here I of - fer with the smoke of sac - ri - fic - es
lis - tened. ²⁰Bless him! Bless him! God has not de - spised the need - y;



wor - ship bring - ing. Prais - es to your name they're sing - ing.”
rules the na - tions. Let no reb - el rise a - gainst him!
• men rode o'er us. Yet to boun - ty you have brought us!
all my prais - es. Bulls and goats I bring in ser - vice.
he has heard me. God has not re - moved his mer - cy!



The Encouragement to Give2 Corinthians 8:8-9

I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

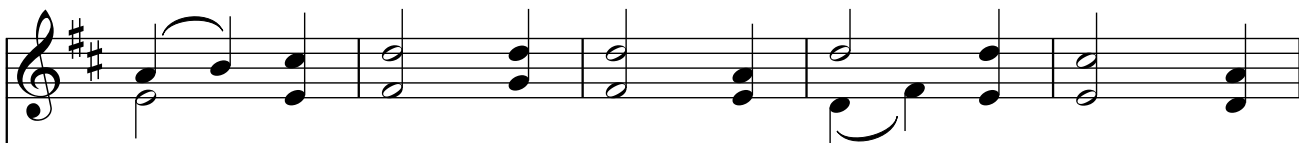
The Offertory

The Great PrayerElder David Bosshardt

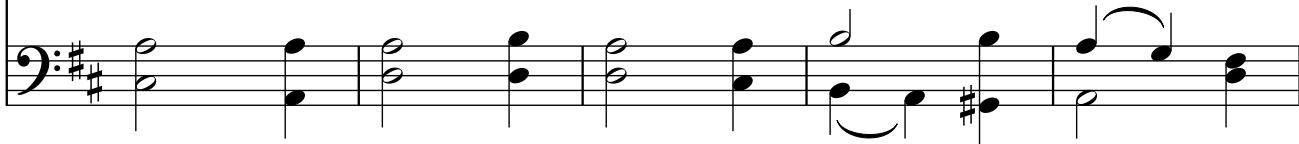
***The Psalm No. 63....."O God, You Are My God Alone"**



1. ¹O God, you are my God a - lone; with ea - ger -
2. ²I've seen you in your ho - ly place; your pow'r and
3. ⁴I bless you, Lord, through - out my life and raise my
4. ⁶I lie a - wake up - on my bed, re - mem - b'ring
5. ⁷For you have been my help, O God; I sing for



ness I seek your face. My soul and bod - y
glo - ry held my gaze. ³Your love is bet - ter
• hands to you in prayer. ⁵My joy - ful lips will
you be - fore it's light; on you, my God, I
joy be - neath your wings. ⁸Your right hand holds and





thirst for you, as in a dry and weary place.
 far than life, and thus my lips will sing your praise.
 • sing your praise; my soul is fed with richest fare.
 med - i - tate, through - out the watch - es of the night.
 strength - ens me; to you my soul for safe - ty clings.

6. ⁹But those who seek to kill my soul,
 to depths of earth shall fall away;
¹⁰a sword of pow'r will bring them down,
 and they shall be the jackal's prey.

7. ¹¹The king will then rejoice in God,
 and all who swear by him exult;
 but God will stop the liars' mouths,
 the ones who utter what is false.

The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese

“Abiding Presence” | John 14:18-24 | p. 847 | *Light Shines in the Darkness* No. 87

SERMON NOTES

A. Christ's Continued Presence (vv. 18-20)

1. Jesus' Concern for His Disciples' Feelings (v. 18)

2. The Manner of Coming (vv. 19-20)

3. Four Benefits of His Coming and Presence (vv. 19b, 20)

B. Perceiving and Loving Christ (vv. 21-24)

1. Loving the Saviour (v. 21a)

2. The Blessing of Love to Christ (v. 21b)

3. A Question From the Other Judas (v. 22)

4. Dwelling with God (v. 23)

5. Warning (v. 24)

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

*The Hymn of Commitment No. 539 "Jerusalem the Golden"

~ God Blesses His People ~

*The Benediction

*The Response No. 735 "The Gloria Patri"

*Glory be to the Father, And to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, Is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

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Jerusalem the Golden

The city [was] of pure gold, as pure as glass. Rev. 21:18

1. Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey blest,
 2. They stand, those halls of Zi - on, all ju - bi - lant with song,
 3. There is the throne of Da - vid; and there, from care re - leased,
 4. O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, the home of God's e - lect!

be - neath your con - tem - pla - tion sink heart and voice op - pressed.
 and bright with man - y an an - gel, and all the mar - tyr throng.
 the song of them that tri - umph, the shout of them that feast;
 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try that ea - ger hearts ex - pect!

I know not, O I know not, what joys a - wait us there;
 The Prince is ev - er in them, the day - light is se - rene;
 and they who with their Lead - er have con - quered in the fight,
 Je - sus, in mer - cy bring us to that dear land of rest;

what ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com - pare.
 the pas - tures of the bless - ed are decked in glo - rious sheen.
 for - ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of white.
 who are, with God the Fa - ther and Spir - it, ev - er blest.

Moms Encouragement Lunch

Tuesday, Nov. 28 | 12:15–2:30 p.m. | Childcare Provided
Come relax and talk. To adults. Without being asked to fix a snack.

He Came for Us.

6:00 p.m. Lord's Day Evenings in December

*When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman,
born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law,
so that we might receive adoption as sons.*

Galatians 4:4-5

Youth & Young Adult Christmas Party

Saturday, December 9, 2023 | 5:00 p.m.

At the home of Jeff & Beth Rowan



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will be moving to a new
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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 26, 2023

- + Evening worship continues tonight at 6:00; come and answer God's call to worship Him at the close of the Lord's Day.
- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of morning worship next Lord's day. A fellowship meal will follow. Please bring a dish to share.
- + Volunteers are needed for nursery duty for evening worship. Please see Mary Lou Wilson if you are willing to help.
- + Designated gifts to the Staff Love Offering may be made now through Dec. 24. Please watch for love offering envelopes arriving in the mail along with a letter from the Session Clerk with more details."
- + The Session and Women in the Church will have their monthly meetings on Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m. there will be no children's classes or regular prayer meeting then.

Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting *FPFO* to 84576.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: office@fpfo.org.
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the offering plate, by mailing a check to the church office, or online: [FPFO.org/give](https://fpfo.org/give).

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

The Lord's Day

9:20 a.m. Fellowship Time
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast
WAAK 94.7 FM
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
(excluding First Sundays)

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting
5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper
6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting
6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class
6:30 p.m. Youth & Young Adult
Defending the Faith by RC Sproul
On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays
there is outreach at the Crossings Apts.

Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.

Nursery Nov. 26: J. Porter & A. Wilson

Dec. 3: A. Bandy & M. Tuggle