

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | MARCH 17, 2024 | 10:45 A.M.

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**\*The Call to Worship**

**\*The Hymn of Praise No. 103 .....“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”**

**\*The Prayer of Adoration**

**The Confession of Faith .....The Westminster Shorter Catechism No. 87**

Q. What is repentance unto life?

A. *Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.*

**The First Table of the Law of God .....Exodus 20:1-11**

**The Confession of Sin**

*We praise You, O God, the Father Almighty. We praise You, O God, You who are the adored, true, and only Son. We praise You, O God, the Holy Spirit, our Comforter, the Lord and Giver of Life. We praise You, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God: Blessed be Your glorious name forever and ever. We acknowledge and confess before You that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; that we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We beseech You, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and of Your mercy to direct what we shall be, so that henceforth we may walk in the way of Your commandments, and do more things which are pleasing in Your sight, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen!*

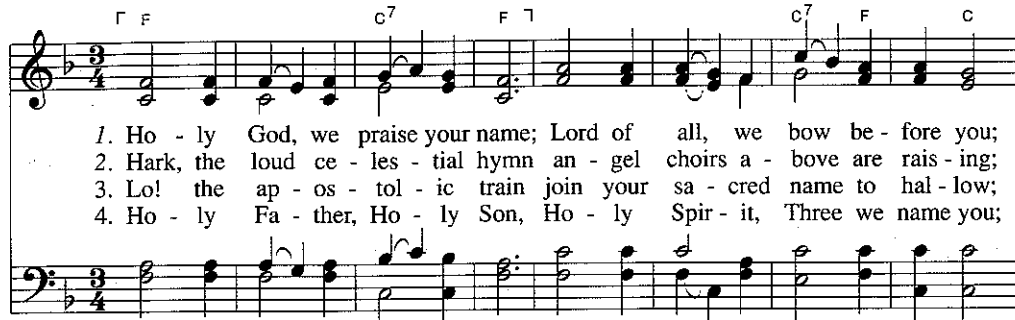
**The Silent Confession**

**The Assurance of Pardon .....Hebrews 9:13-14**

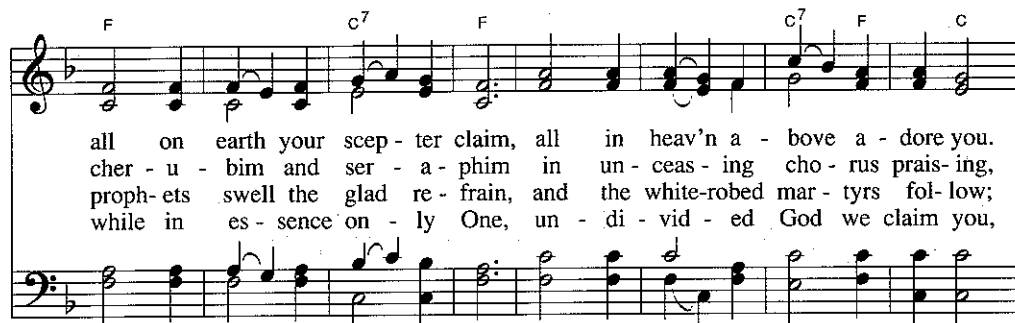
For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

## Holy God, We Praise Your Name

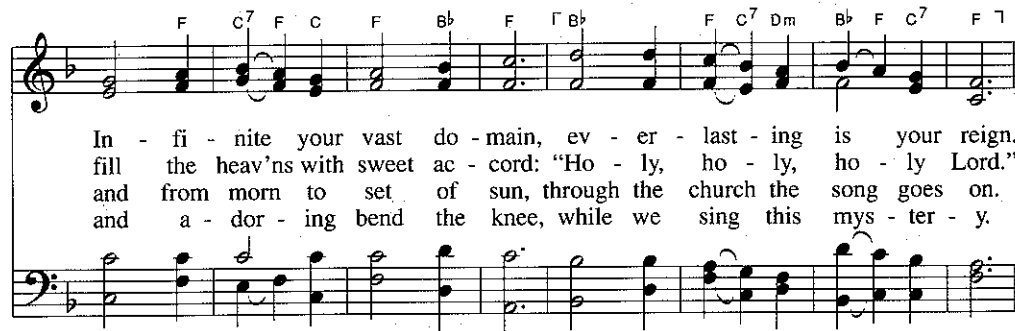
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*Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory. Is. 6:3*


1. Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow be - fore you;  
 2. Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;  
 3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred name to hal - low;  
 4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name you;



all on earth your scep - ter claim, all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you.  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,  
 proph - ets swell the glad re - frain, and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low;  
 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim you,



In - fi - nite your vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
 fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."  
 and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.  
 and a - dor - ing bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y."

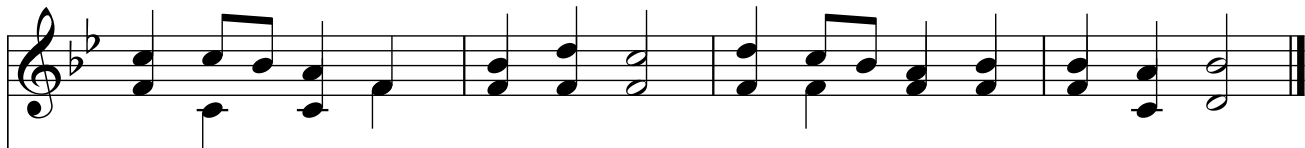
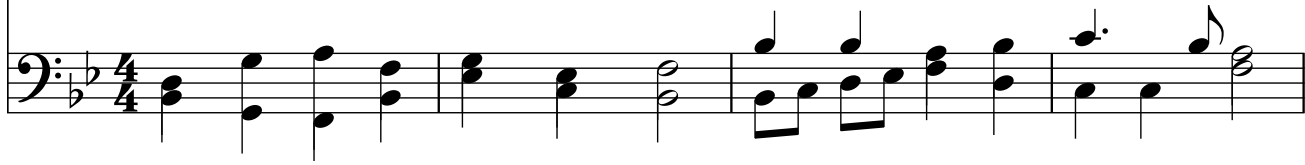
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*Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, ca. 1774

\*The Psalm of Response No. 113....."Hallelujah! Raise, O Raise (p. 2)



1. <sup>1</sup>Hal - le - lu - jah! Raise, O raise to the LORD our song of praise!  
 2. <sup>2</sup>From this time and ev - er - more bless the name of God the LORD.  
 3. <sup>4</sup>Far a - bove the na - tions high, glo - rious far a - bove the sky,  
 4. <sup>7</sup>From the dust he lifts the low, from the ash heap takes the poor,  
 5. <sup>9</sup>He gives bar - ren wom - en sons, bless - ing them with hap - py homes



Praise, O ser - vants of the LORD, praise the name of God the LORD.  
<sup>3</sup>From the sun - rise to its rest, may the name of God be blest.  
 • <sup>5</sup>who is like the LORD on high, <sup>6</sup>gaz - ing down on earth and sky?  
<sup>8</sup>makes them with the princ - es stand, with the princ - es of the land.  
 filled with joy - ful moth - er - hood. Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD!



The Offering & Encouragement to Give.....Colossians 1:9-14

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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## Now Israel May Say, and That in Truth

*If the LORD had not been on our side ... they would have swallowed us alive.*  
Ps. 124:2, 3

1. Now Is - ra - el may say, and that in truth, if that the  
2. Yea, when their wrath a - gainst us fierce - ly rose, the swell - ing  
3. Blest be the Lord who made us not their prey: as from the

Lord had not our right main - tained, if that the Lord had  
tide had o'er us spread its wave, the rag - ing stream had  
snare a bird es - cap - eth free, their net is rent and

not with us re - mained, when cru - el men a - gainst us  
then be - come our grave, the surg - ing flood, in proud - ly  
so es - caped are we: our on - ly help is in Je -

rose to strive, we sure - ly had been swal - lowed up a - live.  
swell - ing roll, most sure - ly then had o - ver - whelmed our soul.  
ho - vah's name, who made the earth and all the heav'n - ly frame.

**The Old Testament Reading.....Genesis 5**

**The Great Prayer.....Elder Nathan Bowers**

**\*The Psalm No. TH614 .....“Now Israel May Say, and That in Truth”**

**The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese**

**“Return to the Father” | John 16:24-28 | p. 849 | *Light Shines in the Darkness* No. 102**

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**SERMON NOTES**

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**A. Knowledge Promised (v. 25)**

**B. Access Promised (vv. 26-27)**

**C. Because Jesus Was Sent Out (v. 28)**

**\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 508 .....“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”**

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Response No. 735 .....“The Gloria Patri”**

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## Jesus, Lover of My Soul

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? Rom. 8:35*

Dm A<sup>7</sup> Dm A Dm A<sup>7</sup> Dm A

1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bo - som fly,  
 2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on thee;  
 3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:  
 4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er all my sin;

Dm A<sup>7</sup> Dm A Dm C F C<sup>7</sup> Dm A<sup>7</sup> Dm

while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is high:  
 leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort me!  
 raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
 let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in:

Γ B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> C<sup>7</sup> F C<sup>7</sup> F Dm A Dm C F E<sup>7</sup> Am

hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
 All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
 Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness;  
 thou of life the foun - tain art, free - ly let me take of thee;

B<sup>b</sup> F Dm Gm A Dm A<sup>7</sup> Dm 7

safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last!  
 cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.  
 false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.  
 spring thou up with - in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 17, 2024

- + Evening worship continues tonight at 6:00; come and answer God's call to worship Him in word and sacrament at the close of the Lord's Day! We will have our usual hymn sing prior to the start of worship; please be ready with your requests.
- + Elder Training continues today at 4 p.m. the training itself is open to any member of the church interested in learning more about the life and work of the Church.
- + The Session will meet at 7:20 p.m. on March 20 in the adult Sunday school room.
- + The Easter Breakfast will be at 9:30 a.m. this year on March 31. Please sign up in the fellowship hall to bring something. There is no Sunday school on March 31.
- + If you would like to assist the Deacons with greeting and distribution of the Order of Worship prior to the morning service, please sign the signup sheet on the bulletin board. Information will be forwarded to those who sign up.
- + Schedule Change: There will be no evening worship on March 31, but we will have evening worship on April 7. We will return to the normal evening worship schedule after that date.
- + The Mom's Encouragement Lunch is March 21 at 12:30; meet at the Battlefield picnic area. Please contact Sandra Taylor for additional details.

### 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](mailto: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**

#### **Wednesday**

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)

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper

6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting

6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class

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

Nursery: March 17: B. Rowan & Sarah Wilson

March 24: R. Wilson & E. Tuggle