

HERITAGE

Presbyterian Church



*He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream
Jeremiah 17:8*

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

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WELCOME!
TO
HERITAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,
and to whomsoever will —
 we open wide our arms
 and welcome you
 in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Prayer 9:15 a.m. in Pastor's Office
Children at church 9:25 a.m. in the Library
Youth & Adults Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:40 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP **From Jude 20–21**

LEADER:

*Beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith
and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the
love of God,*

RESPONSE:

*Waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that
leads to eternal life.*

WE SING A SONG OF PRAISE

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blest whose hope of blessing
On the Lord his God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the Lord created,
Seas and all that they contain; He delivers from oppression,
Righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry,
Sets the mourning prisoner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish,
Makes the sightless eyes to see,
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,
And the stranger He befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow,
Judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

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WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST

WE SING A SONG OF ASCENT

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me
And my sails have all been torn

In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won

Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow O my soul now lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance see His love forever proved
All my hope is in the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory as we draw our final breath
We will cross that great horizon clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endured
Christ the shore of our salvation Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

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SHEPHERDING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 25:1–21

Of David.

- ²⁵ *To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.*
- ² *O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.*
- ³ *Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.*
- ⁴ *Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.*
- ⁵ *Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.*
- ⁶ *Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.*
- ⁷ *Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!*
- ⁸ *Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.*
- ⁹ *He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.*
- ¹⁰ *All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and
faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.*
- ¹¹ *For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.*
- ¹² *Who is the man who fears the LORD?
Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.*
- ¹³ *His soul shall abide in well-being,
and his offspring shall inherit the land.*
- ¹⁴ *The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.*

- 15 *My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.*
- 16 *Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.*
- 17 *The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.*
- 18 *Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.*
- 19 *Consider how many are my foes,
and with what violent hatred they hate me.*
- 20 *Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.*
- 21 *May integrity and uprightness preserve me,
for I wait for you.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

(We will take a few moments for silent reflection and confession.)

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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WE ARE ASSURED OF OUR PARDON IN CHRIST
Psalm 32:3–5

*For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah
I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah*

WE SING A SONG OF ASSURANCE

There Is a Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains,
Lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away:
Washed all my sins away,
Washed all my sins away;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved, to sin no more:
Be saved, to sin no more,
Be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die:
And shall be till I die,
And shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing thy pow'r to save
I'll sing thy pow'r to save
I'll sing thy pow'r to save
Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing thy pow'r to save

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WE RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS

Asafe and Sarah Cristino

PREACHING OF THE WORD

“Making Room” Genesis 26:6–22

So Isaac settled in Gerar. ⁷ When the men of the place asked him about his wife, he said, “She is my sister,” for he feared to say, “My wife,” thinking, “lest the men of the place should kill me because of Rebekah,” because she was attractive in appearance. ⁸ When he had been there a long time, Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out of a window and saw Isaac laughing with Rebekah his wife. ⁹ So Abimelech called Isaac and said, “Behold, she is your wife. How then could you say, ‘She is my sister’?” Isaac said to him, “Because I thought, ‘Lest I die because of her.’” ¹⁰ Abimelech said, “What is this you have done to us? One of the people might easily have lain with your wife, and you would have brought guilt upon us.” ¹¹ So Abimelech warned all the people, saying, “Whoever touches this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.”

¹² And Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. The LORD blessed him, ¹³ and the man became rich, and gained more and more until he became very wealthy. ¹⁴ He had possessions of flocks and herds and many servants, so that the Philistines envied him. ¹⁵ (Now the Philistines had stopped and filled with earth all the wells that his father’s servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father.) ¹⁶ And Abimelech said to Isaac, “Go away from us, for you are much mightier than we.”

¹⁷ So Isaac departed from there and encamped in the Valley of Gerar and settled there. ¹⁸ And Isaac dug again the wells of water that had been dug in the days of Abraham his father, which the Philistines had stopped after the death of Abraham. And he gave them the

names that his father had given them. ¹⁹ But when Isaac's servants dug in the valley and found there a well of spring water, ²⁰ the herdsmen of Gerar quarreled with Isaac's herdsmen, saying, "The water is ours." So he called the name of the well Esek, because they contended with him. ²¹ Then they dug another well, and they quarreled over that also, so he called its name Sitnah. ²² And he moved from there and dug another well, and they did not quarrel over it. So he called its name Rehoboth, saying, "For now the LORD has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land."

SERMON NOTES

WE SING A SONG OF RESPONSE

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!

Trinity Hymnal #600

He leadeth me: O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

He leadeth me, he leadeth me;
By his own hand he leadeth me:
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

Refrain

And when my task on earth is done,
When, by thy grace, the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

Refrain

BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

GUIDE TO FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Scriptures: Genesis 26:6–22

Song: There Is a Fountain

Missions Prayer: Dan & Becky Young/MTW/CPC
Texas-Mexico border

PRAISE & PRAYER:

- * Pray that we will daily prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus as King!
- * Pray for those who are recuperating from surgery, from chronic ailments and for our mothers-in-waiting!
- * Pray for the Persecuted Church around the world.
- * Pray that Community Groups cultivate close relationships that will encourage our walk with Christ.
- * Pray that the Lord will continue to bring new people to our church family to join us in worshiping the Lord and learning of His love and mercy to us.
- * Pray for our Session who leads Heritage PCA in the direction that God has planned for us. Teaching Elder: Rev. Jesse York; Ruling Elders: Rich Albert, Ken Leslie, Steve McVey, Mark Saeger, Larry Valentine.
- * Pray for Rev. Jesse York as he preaches God's Word to us as our Senior Pastor and encourage our walk as the redeemed of God.