

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

March 26, 2023

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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 Genesis 12:1–3

LEADER:

Now the Lord said to Abram,

RESPONSE:

“Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

LEADER:

And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

RESPONSE:

I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

WE SING A SONG OF PRAISE

Turn Your Eyes

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face.
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace.
There the Son of God gave His life for us,
And our measureless debt was erased.

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes.
Jesus, our glory and our prize.
We adore You, behold You,
our Savior ever true.
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake.
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone,
For we carry His life in our veins.

Chorus

Turn your eyes to the heavens,
Our King will return for His own.
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout,
"All glory to Jesus alone!"

Chorus 2X

Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST

WE SING A SONG OF ASCENT

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will;
And if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
you looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed: You suffered in my place;
You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace!

Chorus

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!
Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now, Lord, I would be yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow your commands
could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose
And let my song forever be: my only boast is you.

Repeat

Chorus 2X

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ!
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

SHEPHERDING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:38–48

³⁸ “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ ³⁹ But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. ⁴¹ And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. ⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

⁴⁸ You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

**O gracious and gentle and condescending God,
God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort:
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;
we acknowledge that we are too inclined
toward anger, jealousy, and revenge,
to ambition and pride,
which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings
between others and us.
Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,
O long-suffering Father.**

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

**Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the
blessing
you have promised the peacemakers,
who shall be called the children of God.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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WE ARE ASSURED OF OUR PARDON IN CHRIST Roman 5:8–9

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

WE SING A SONG OF ASSURANCE

Jesus What a Friend for Sinners Trinity Hymnal #498

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul;
friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Chorus

Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
he, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

Chorus

Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
even when my heart is breaking,
he, my comfort, helps my soul.

Chorus

Jesus! what a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
he, my pilot, hears my cry.

Chorus

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find;
he hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine.

Chorus

PREACHING OF THE WORD

“Blessing to the Nations” Genesis 26:23–35

23 From there he went up to Beersheba. 24 And the LORD appeared to him the same night and said, “I am the God of Abraham your father. Fear not, for I am with you and will bless you and multiply your offspring for my servant Abraham’s sake.” 25 So he built an altar there and called upon the name of the LORD and pitched his tent there. And there Isaac’s servants dug a well.

26 When Abimelech went to him from Gerar with Ahuzzath his adviser and Phicol the commander of his army, 27 Isaac said to them, “Why have you come to me, seeing that you hate me and have sent me away from you?” 28 They said, “We see plainly that the LORD has been with you. So we said, let there be a sworn pact between us, between you and us, and let us make a covenant with you, 29 that you will do us no harm, just as we have not touched you and have done to you nothing but good and have sent you away in peace. You are now the blessed of the LORD.” 30 So he made them a feast, and they ate and drank. 31 In the morning they rose early and exchanged oaths. And Isaac sent them on their way, and they departed from him in peace. 32 That same day Isaac’s servants came and told him about the well that they had dug and said to him, “We have found water.” 33 He called it Shibah; therefore the name of the city is Beersheba to this day.

34 When Esau was forty years old, he took Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite to be his wife, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite, 35 and they made life bitter for Isaac and Rebekah

SERMON NOTES

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Bread: Wafers are gluten-free.

Wine: At Heritage we serve wine. If this is a hindrance to your conscience, we provide grape juice in the outer rim of the tray.

WE SING A SONG OF RESPONSE

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place Trinity Hymnal #469

How sweet and awesome is the place
with Christ within the doors,
while everlasting love displays
the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs
join to admire the feast,
each of us cries, with thankful tongue,
"Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear your voice,
and enter while there's room,
when thousands make a wretched choice,
and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast
that sweetly drew us in;
else we had still refused to taste,
and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God,
constrain the earth to come;
send your victorious Word abroad,
and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full,
that all the chosen race
may, with one voice and heart and soul,
sing your redeeming grace.

BENEDICTION

2 Thessalonians 2:216–17

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

GUIDE TO FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Scriptures: Genesis 26:23–35

Song: Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

Missions Prayer: Freedom School/St. Louis

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.