

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 Psalm 117:1-2**

LEADER:

*Praise the Lord, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!*

RESPONSE:

*For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.*

TOGETHER:

Praise the Lord!

WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST

WE SING A SONG OF PRAISE

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus, our King,
Make known the power of His grace;
The beauty of His peace;
Remember how His mercy reached;
And we cried out to Him;
He lifted us to solid ground;
To freedom from our sin.

Chorus

Oh, sing my soul
And tell all He's done,
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory.

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus, our Lord,
His power in us is greater than,
Is greater than this world,
To share the reason for our hope;
To serve with love and grace;
That all who see Him shine through us
Might bring the Father praise.

Chorus

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus, our Light,
No other name on earth can save;
Can raise us a soul to life;
He opens up our eyes to see;
The harvest He has grown;
We labor in His fields of grace
As He leads sinners home.

Chorus 2x

WE SING A SONG OF ASCENT

Better Is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Chorus

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere
Than thousands elsewhere

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells
(repeat)

Chorus

My heart and flesh cry out
For You the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You

Chorus 2x

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Nicene Creed (A.D. 325)

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son
of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with
the Father;
by Whom all things were made;
Who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
and on the third day He rose again according to
the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the
living and the dead;
Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
Who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

SHEPHERDING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 36:22-28

*“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came.
²³ And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Our faithful Father, we humbly confess that our love for You is like a morning cloud that colors the sky for just a few minutes and then is gone; like the dew that covers the earth and yet goes away early. Our attention span is short, our desires are impatient, our affection is fickle.

Our great God, we humbly confess that these shortfalls in our love are not merely symptoms of our weakness, but are outbreaks of our sin. We have promised obedience to Your law, but when a quicker path to pleasure appears we are all too ready to trade obedience for it. We have pledged faithfulness to Your covenant, but when a more pleasing 'god' appears we are all too hasty to break our promises to You in order to serve it.

We are both foolish and sinful, ungrateful and unloving. Have mercy on us, we pray.

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

Our faithful Father, we gratefully trust that Your love for us is unchanging, immovable and eternal. You will never leave us, forsake us, or forget us. You love us too perfectly to leave us in our sin, and are patiently and unfailingly transforming us by the renewing of our minds and the reforming of affections. Forgive our sins, looking not upon our record of failure but only upon the spotless righteousness of Jesus our Savior.

In His unconquerable name we pray, Amen.

WE ARE ASSURED OF OUR PARDON IN CHRIST PROVERBS 16:6

*By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for,
and by the fear of the LORD one turns away from evil.*

WE SING A SONG OF ASSURANCE

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Chorus

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Praise the One, Risen Son of God

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

Chorus 2x

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

**Children ages 4–6 are invited to attend
Children's Church**

PREACHING OF THE WORD

The Lord is Faithful 2 Thessalonians 3:1–5

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ² and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴ And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

SERMON NOTES

WE SING A SONG OF RESPONSE

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

Chorus

By faith the mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

Chorus 2x

BENEDICTION

2 Thessalonians 3:5

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

GUIDE TO FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Scriptures: 2 Thessalonians 3:1–5

Song: By Faith

Missions Prayer: Promise Christian Academy/
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 those who lead Heritage PCA in the direction that God has planned for us: Teaching Elders: Jesse York and Tim Herrera; Ruling Elders: Rich Albert, Ken Leslie, Steve McVey, Mark Saeger and Larry Valentine.
- * Pray for our Deacons who provide aid for those in need and maintain our church campus: John McFee, Rob Carpenter, Joe Ehart, Eric Myers, Terry Goring and Adam Saeger.
- * Pray for our Senior Pastor Jesse York and Assistant Pastor Tim Herrera as they preach God's Word to us and as they encourage our walk as the redeemed of God.