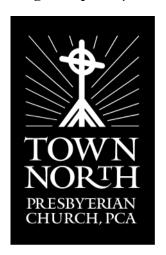
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# The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

March 7, 2021 10:30 A.M.

#### REFLECTION

"Grace is the good pleasure of God that inclines Him to bestow benefits upon the undeserving."

-A. W. Tozer, Knowledge of the Holy, chapter 19.

PRELUDE

(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Graham Clark, Pastoral Intern

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:1-5

LEADER: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

PEOPLE: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and forget not all his benefits,

LEADER: who forgives all your iniquity,

who heals all your diseases,

PEOPLE: who redeems your life from the pit,

who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

LEADER: who satisfies you with good

so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

PEOPLE: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me,

bless his holy name!

#### \* SONG OF PRAISE

Ensemble & Congregation

#### Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord. In Christ, he has in heav'nly realms, his blessings on us poured. For pure and blameless in his sight he destined us to be, and now we've been adopted through his Son eternally.

who gives his grace in Christ.
In him our sins are washed away redeemed through sacrifice.
In him God has made known to us the myst'ry of his will:
that Christ should be the head of al

Come praise and glorify our God,

and now we've been adopted through that Christ should be the head of all, son eternally. his purpose to fulfill.

#### Chorus

To the praise of your glory, to the praise of your mercy and grace, to the praise of your glory you are the God who saves! Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word and through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord.

The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done, until we join in endless praise to God the Three in One.

#### \* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 103:8-10

LEADER: The LORD is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide,

nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN In these moments, we individually come to God in prayer, silently confessing personal sins so that we may take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD

Psalm 103:11-12

LEADER: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

#### \* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 60

LEADER: How are you righteous before God?

ALL: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.

Even though my conscience accuses me

of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments,

of never having kept any of them,

and of still being inclined toward all evil,

nevertheless,

without any merit of my own,

out of sheer grace,

God grants and credits to me

the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ,

as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient

as Christ was obedient for me.

All I need to do

is accept this gift with a believing heart.

#### \* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 460 (vv 1-6)

#### Amazing Grace!

Amazing grace!—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his Word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease, I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

#### PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

#### \* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 140 (vv 1-4)

#### O Word of God Incarnate

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky; we praise thee for the radiance that from the hallowed page, a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from her dear Master received the gift divine, and still that light she lifteth o'er all the earth to shine. It is the golden casket, where gems of truth are stored; it is the heav'n drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.

It floateth like a banner before God's host unfurled; it shineth like a beacon above the darkling world. It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging sea, 'mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.

O make thy church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold, to bear before the nations thy true light, as of old. O teach thy wand'ring pilgrims by this their path to trace, till, clouds and darkness ended, they see thee face to face.

#### Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, 4 and to them he said, You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup> They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' <sup>8</sup> And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' 9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. 11 And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' 13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first last."

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

What Does It Mean That the Last Will Be First?

#### My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

#### Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found; dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

\* BENEDICTION 2 Corinthians 13:14

PASTOR: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

POSTLUDE Lynna Harbison

### **SERMON NOTES**

# What Does It Mean That the Last Will Be First? Matthew 20:1-16

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Next Week:			

Text: Matthew 20:17-28 Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

#### Come Praise and Glorify

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#### Amazing Grace

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#### O Word of God Incarnate

Words by William Walsham How, 1867. Music from  $Meiningen\ Gesangbuch, 1693.$  Public Domain

#### My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Words by Edward Mote, 1834. Music by William B. Bradbury, 1863. Public Domain.

#### **ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS**

SUNDAY	Worship Service—Sanctuary & by Livestream Youth Group—Outside TNPC	10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies Morning Study—by Zoom	9:30 a.m.
	Session Meeting	6:00 p.m.
	Ladies Evening Study—CE Rm 201 & by Zoom	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—by Zoom	6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	Women's Prayer Team Meeting—Zoom	10:00 a.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events

## WORSHIP SERVICE SANCTUARY AND BY LIVESTREAM

LIVESTREAM ACCESS: 1. Go to the Town North website: www.tnpc.org

2. Click on the box that says: "Livestream".

**LEBANON PROJECT** — To support Pastor Imad Aubrey's ministry in Lebanon, please write checks payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with "Lebanon Project" on the memo line.

**SUPPORTING OUR MERCY MINISTRY** — Your gracious donations, specified "Deacons Fund," allow our Deacons to bring financial relief to members and others in need.

**LIFECHANGE OFFERING** — Supports our missions efforts. To make a donation, specify "LifeChange" on your check or with your e-gift.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP — The 2021 schedule for sanctuary flowers is in the narthex. Please sign up if you would like to purchase an arrangement (minimum cost is \$55). Contact Judy Dawson (judydawson46@gmail.com) for more information.

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING — The family of David J. Rogers, Pastor Rogers' father, is dedicating today's sanctuary flowers to his memory. He died on March 11, 2019. Today, March 7, would have been his birthday.

MEN'S LEADER DEVELOPMENT CLASS — Starts Saturday, March 13 at 8am. For more information contact Pastor Rogers (david.rogers@tnpc.org).

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** — Begins next Sunday, March 14. Please set your clocks forward one hour Saturday evening to be on time for church!

#### Fiscal Year 2021

Totals through February 28, 2021

(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)

General Fund Income \$852,122
Designated Giving \$69,192
Total Expenses \$619,759

Net Surplus or (Deficit) \$ 301,555

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