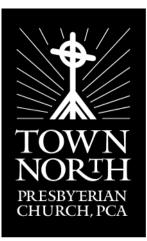
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The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

July 18, 2021 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

"I, who erewhile the happy Garden sung By one man's disobedience lost, now sing Recovered Paradise to all mankind, By one man's firm obedience fully tried Through all temptation, and the Tempter foiled In all his wiles, defeated and repulsed, And Eden raised in the waste Wilderness."

-John Milton, <u>Paradise Regained</u> (First Book)

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

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Andrew Cies, Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER:	Shout for joy to God, all the earth!	
PEOPLE:	Sing the glory of his name;	
	make his praise glorious.	
LEADER:	Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!	
PEOPLE:	So great is your power	
	that your enemies cringe before you.	
ALL:	All the earth bows down to you;	
	they sing praise to you,	
	they sing the praises of your name."	

* SONG OF PRAISE

Ensemble & Congregation

Come, People of the Risen King

 Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring him praise; come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him, where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Chorus

Rejoice, rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

- ² Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night; come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight. For his perfect love will never change, and his mercies never cease, but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.
- ³ Come, young and old from ev'ry land men and women of the faith; come those with full or empty hands find the riches of his grace.
 Over all the world, his people sing shore to shore we hear them call the truth that cries through ev'ry age: "Our God is all in all!"

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Revelation 2:5

LEADER: Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

Psalm 66:1-4 (NIV)

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 79:8-9

ALL: God of Glory, do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake! Amen.

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

John 1:9-14

LEADER: The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

In Christ Alone

- In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all here in the love of Christ I stand.
- ² In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied; for ev'ry sin on him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.

³ There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain; then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again! And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am his and he is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ.

⁴ No guilt in life, no fear in death this is the pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand; till he returns or calls me home here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Though Troubles Assail Us

- ¹ Though troubles assail us and dangers affright, though friends should all fail us and foes all unite, yet one thing secures us, whatever betide, the promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."
- ² The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed; from them let us learn to trust God for our bread. His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied so long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."
- ³ When Satan assails us to stop up our path, and courage all fails us, we triumph by faith. He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried, this heart-cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."
- ⁴ No strength of our own and no goodness we claim; yet, since we have known of the Savior's great name, in this our strong tower for safety we hide: the Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."

Hymn 95 (vv 1-4)

David Rogers, Pastor

* SCRIPTURE READING

David Schlimme, Elder

1 Samuel 4:1-22

And the word of Samuel came to all Israel.

Now Israel went out to battle against the Philistines. They encamped at Ebenezer, and the Philistines encamped at Aphek. ² The Philistines drew up in line against Israel, and when the battle spread, Israel was defeated before the Philistines, who killed about four thousand men on the field of battle. ³ And when the people came to the camp, the elders of Israel said, "Why has the LORD defeated us today before the Philistines? Let us bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD here from Shiloh, that it may come among us and save us from the power of our enemies." ⁴ So the people sent to Shiloh and brought from there the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, who is enthroned on the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God.

⁵As soon as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel gave a mighty shout, so that the earth resounded. ⁶And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shouting, they said, "What does this great shouting in the camp of the Hebrews mean?" And when they learned that the ark of the LORD had come to the camp, ⁷ the Philistines were afraid, for they said, "A god has come into the camp." And they said, "Woe to us! For nothing like this has happened before. ⁸Woe to us! Who can deliver us from the power of these mighty gods? These are the gods who struck the Egyptians with every sort of plague in the wilderness. ⁹Take courage, and be men, O Philistines, lest you become slaves to the Hebrews as they have been to you; be men and fight."

¹⁰ So the Philistines fought, and Israel was defeated, and they fled, every man to his home. And there was a very great slaughter, for thirty thousand foot soldiers of Israel fell. ¹¹ And the ark of God was captured, and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died.

¹² A man of Benjamin ran from the battle line and came to Shiloh the same day, with his clothes torn and with dirt on his head. ¹³ When he arrived, Eli was sitting on his seat by the road watching, for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city and told the news, all the city cried out. ¹⁴ When Eli heard the sound of the outcry, he said, "What is this uproar?" Then the man hurried and came and told Eli. ¹⁵ Now Eli was ninety-eight years old and his eyes were set so that he could not see. ¹⁶ And the man said to Eli, "I am he who has come from the battle; I fled from the battle today." And he said, "How did it go, my son?" ¹⁷ He who brought the news answered and said, "Israel has fled before the Philistines, and there has also been a great defeat among the people. Your two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God has been captured." ¹⁸As soon as he mentioned the ark of God, Eli fell over backward from his seat by the side of the gate, and his neck was broken and he died, for the man was old and heavy. He had judged Israel forty years.

¹⁹ Now his daughter-in-law, the wife of Phinehas, was pregnant, about to give birth. And when she heard the news that the ark of God was captured, and that her father-in-law and her husband were dead, she bowed and gave birth, for her pains came upon her. ²⁰ And about the time of her death the women attending her said to her, "Do not be afraid, for you have borne a son." But she did not answer or pay attention. ²¹ And she named the child Ichabod, saying, "The glory has departed from Israel!" because the ark of God had been captured and because of her father-in-law and her husband. ²² And she said, "The glory has departed from Israel, for the ark of God has been captured."

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

David Rogers, Pastor

"The Glory of the Church"

* **RESPONDING IN SONG**

Hymn 75 (vv 1-4)

O Father, You Are Sovereign

- O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made; your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
 Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.
- ² O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
 no pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
 All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
 you hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.
- ³ O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain, transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain. All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could, your love pursues its purpose—our souls' eternal good.
- 4 O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now, but soon before your triumph earth's ev'ry knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew: our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

* BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

PASTOR: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

"The Glory of the Church"

1 Samuel 4:1-22

Next Week: Text: 1 Samuel 5:1-12 Preacher: Andrew Cies, Pastor

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ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Covenant Clubhouse—TNPC Courtyard	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Youth Mid-Week Meet up—in person	7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	Men's Leader Development Class	8:00 a.m.

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THE FLOWERS TODAY — Are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Don and Barb Cole's 61st wedding anniversary.

- **TNPC VISITING MISSIONARIES** On August 1st, our medical missionary, Betsy Aeschliman, will share about her ministry during Sunday school and join us for worship.
- **MEHR MINISTRIES CONFERENCE** Register online for the Open House and Launch Party on Friday, September 17 to hear about the gospel work being done among Farsi-speakers in Iran and around the world. Registration is free. For more information or to RSVP, please use this link: https://mehrministries.org/2021plano/ or speak to Hamid.
- **EVENING COMMUNION** August 1 at 6:00 pm, we will worship and celebrate the Lord's Supper together as we receive new communicant members.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY — Join us Tuesdays this fall, beginning August 24, as we study the book of Revelation. Questions? Contact Bonlee Rawley at *bonlee_rawley@hotmail.com*.

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