Town North is a community of disciples making disciples of Jesus.



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

October 24, 2021 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH David Hitt, Elder (Please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle)

* CALL TO WORSHIP LEADER: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! PEOPLE: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. LEADER: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. PEOPLE: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. LEADER: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. PEOPLE: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

* HYMN OF PRAISE

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

- All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation! With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills. To God all praise and glory!
- 2 What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth; by morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth; within the kingdom of his might, lo, all is just and all is right. To God all praise and glory!
- 3 I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my calling! For death he gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling. For this my thanks shall endless be; O thank him, thank our God with me. To God all praise and glory!

- 4 The Lord forsaketh not his flock, his chosen generation; he is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation. As with a mother's tender hand he leads his own, his chosen band. To God all praise and glory!
- 5 Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory! Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory! All idols underfoot he trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God! To God all praise and glory!
- 6 Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness; to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness: Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well. To God all praise and glory!

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

John 13:34-35

LEADER: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: God of everlasting love, we confess have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us, gracious God. Give us a renewed joy in serving you and others that our lives would be a witness to Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

LEADER: For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 355 (vv 1-4)

2 Corinthians 5.14-15

We Are God's People

- We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, born of his Spirit, established by his Word; our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in him we stand: O let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.
- 2 We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured; now let us learn how to return the gift of love once giv'n:
 O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.
- 3 We are the Body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey him, now risen from the dead; he wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:
 O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall his work on earth be done.
- 4 We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace; we die alone, for on its own each member loses fire: yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Hitt, Elder

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Ensemble & Congregation

He Will Hold Me Fast

 When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; when the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; for my love is often cold; he must hold me fast.

Chorus

He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast; for my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

- 2 Those he saves are his delight, Christ will hold me fast; precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; his promises shall last; bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
- 3 For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast.
 Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast 'till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

* SCRIPTURE READING

David Hitt, Elder

1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, ¹⁰ for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, ¹¹ and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, ¹² so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

David Schlimme, Elder

A Rule for Life: PLEASE GOD! Part 2

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please remain in your seat until dismissed by an usher. If you would like to receive the elements in your seat, please raise your hand and a server will come to you.

Grape juice is in the purple cups in the center of the tray. Wine is in the clear cups around the outside of the tray. The matzo bread is gluten free.

MEDITATION IN SONG

Ensemble & Congregation

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

- How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that he should give his only Son to make a wretch his treasure! How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns his face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.
- 2 Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon his shoulders; ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished; his dying breath has brought me life— I know that it is finished.
- 3 I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection.
 Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer.
 But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ransom.

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Ensemble & Congregation

May the Peoples Praise You

- 1 You have called us out of darkest night, into your glorious light, that we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.
- 2 May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife, with boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life.

Chorus

May the peoples praise you, let the nations be glad! All your blessing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Jesus.

3 All the earth is yours and all within, each harvest is your own, and from your hand we give to you, to make Christ known. 4 May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard, may songs of praise build lives of grace to spread your Word.

Chorus

5 This our holy privilege to declare your praises and your name to every nation, tribe and tongue, your church proclaims.

Chorus

Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty. Worthy, worthy is the Lamb Who was slain. Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty

All creation praise your glorious Name.

Chorus (x 2)

* 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

A Rule for Life: PLEASE GOD! Part 2

1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

Next Week: Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Preacher: Andrew Cies, Pastor

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ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Officers Prayer for Congregation —Admin Rm 103	12:00 p.m.
	Covenant Clubhouse—TNPC Courtyard	5:00 p.m.
	Youth Group Meeting—Admin Youth Room	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Women's Bible Study—CE Bldg Rm 200	9:30 a.m.
	Women's Bible Study—CE Bldg Rm 200	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.

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

LIVESTREAM AUDIO ACCESS		
1. Go to www.tnpc.org		
2. Click on the box that says: "Livestream Audio"		

NOVEMBER VISITORS LUNCH — Join us on Sunday, November 7, immediately after worship. Please bring a dish to serve 10-12 people. Visitors are especially welcome!

LADIES PRAYER RETREAT — All women are invited to a prayer retreat here at TNPC, Saturday, November 13, 8:30am-12:30pm. A box lunch will be provided. See flyers in the Narthex for details. Please RSVP by November 7 to Kelly Rogers at kellyrogers102090@gmail.com.

- **NOTES FOR MISSIONARIES** The World Missions Committee invites the congregation to help encourage our missionary family to Germany, the Hodges, with notes and cards. Please give your notes and cards to Meredith Billingslea or Jill Reiswig before November 21.
- **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.

MERCY MINISTRY — Your donations allow our Deacons to bring financial relief to members and others in need. Designate "Deacons Fund" on the memo line.

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