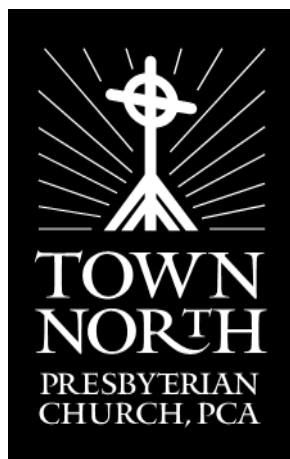


*Town North is a community of disciples
making disciples of Jesus.*



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

December 26, 2021 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

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

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

David Schlimme, Elder

(Please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 84:1-4

LEADER: How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

PEOPLE: **My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.**

LEADER: Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

PEOPLE: **Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
ponder anew what the Almighty will do,
if with his love he befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen, sound from his people again;
gladly fore'er we adore him.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

LEADER: Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Eternal God, before whose face the generations rise and pass away, you formed us in your image and willed us to live before you in peace and love. We confess we are not the people you created or called us to be; we have not loved you with our whole heart or our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us our sin, O God, and create in us a new and willing spirit, so that in our living, we may serve you, and in our dying, enter the joy of your presence, through 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

Romans 6:1-4

LEADER: What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

Before the Throne of God Above

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| <p>1 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.</p> <p>2 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.</p> | <p>3 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 by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Savior and my God,
with Christ, my Savior and my God.</p> |
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PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Schlimme, Elder

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 338 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

(Continued...)

- 2 Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength and mind.
I see thy cross—there teach my heart to cling:
O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
- 3 Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the baptism of the heav'n-descended Dove,
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

* SCRIPTURE READING

David Schlimme, Elder

Colossians 3:1-17

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

¹² Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³ bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Andrew Cies, Pastor

New Year, New You

THE LORD'S SUPPER

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.

Please hold the elements until everyone is served. Used cups may be placed in the baskets in the narthex after the service.

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 642 (vv 1, 2, 4, 5)

Be Thou My Vision

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

* BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

PASTOR: The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Officers Prayer for Congregation—Admin Rm 103	12:00 p.m.
MONDAY	Church Office Closed—Christmas Extended Holiday	
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom	7:00 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”.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES — Today or next Sunday, January 2, 2022.

TNPC ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING — Mark your calendars for our annual meeting and officer election to be held Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 7:00pm.

INQUIRER’S CLASS — If you would like to learn more about Town North or becoming a member, join our Inquirer’s Class that will begin on January 9 during the Sunday school hour in Christian Ed Bldg, Room 200-201. Contact Pastor Rogers for more information at david.rogers@tnpc.org.

LEBANON PROJECT — To support Pastor Imad Aubrey’s ministry in Lebanon, please make gifts payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with “Lebanon Project” on the memo line.

YEAR-END GIVING — Just a reminder that all gifts and offerings need to be in the church office by end of day or postmarked no later than Friday, December 31st in order to be deductible on your 2021 tax return. These donations will be included on your 2021 giving statement. Unless otherwise specified, all gifts will be credited to the General Fund.

Fiscal Year 2022

Totals through December 19, 2021

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

General Fund Income	\$ 663,420
Designated Giving	\$ 91,235
Total Expenses	\$ 501,642
Net Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 253,013

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