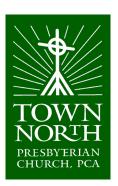
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# The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

March 26, 2023 10:30 A.M.

# REFLECTION

"Christian, believe this, and think on it: you will be eternally embraced in the arms of that love which was from everlasting, and, will extend to everlasting; of that love which brought the Son of God's love from heaven to earth, from earth to the cross, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to glory; that love which was weary, hungry, tempted, scorned, scourged, buffeted, spit upon, crucified, pierced; which did fast, pray, teach, heal, weep, sweat, bleed, die; that love will eternally embrace you."

-Richard Baxter, *The Saint's Everlasting Rest*, Chapter 1.

PRELUDE Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

David Rogers, Pastor

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

# \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 63:1-4

LEADER: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;

my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,

as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,

beholding your power and glory.

PEOPLE: Because your steadfast love is better than life,

my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

# \* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

# \* SONG OF PRAISE

Ensemble & Congregation

# Come Praise and Glorify

- 1 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.
  - 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!

- 2 Come praise and glorify our God, 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 all, his purpose to fulfill.
- 3 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.

# CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

John 3:19-20

LEADER: And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the

light, lest his works should be exposed.

# 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 3:16-18; Romans 8:1

LEADER:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned...

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

# \* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

# How Deep the Father's Love for Us

- 1 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.

COVENANT CHILD BAPTISM

Jonathan Elias Hage Covenant Child of Stephen & Deborah Hage

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Rogers, Pastor

# \* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 80 (vv 1-4)

# Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

1 Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise thee for the bliss thy love bestows, for the pard'ning grace that saves me, and the peace that from it flows. Help, O God, my weak endeavor; this dull soul to rapture raise: thou must light the flame, or never can my love be warmed to praise.

(Continued...)

- 2 Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee, wretched wand'rer far astray; found thee lost, and kindly brought thee from the paths of death away.

  Praise, with love's devoutest feeling, him who saw thy guilt-born fear, and, the light of hope revealing, bade the blood-stained cross appear.
- 3 Praise thy Savior God that drew thee to that cross, new life to give, held a blood-sealed pardon to thee, bade thee look to him and live. Praise the grace whose threats alarmed thee, roused thee from thy fatal ease; praise the grace whose promise warmed thee, praise the grace that whispered peace.
- 4 Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling vainly would my lips express: low before thy footstool kneeling, deign thy suppliant's pray'r to bless. Let thy love, my soul's chief treasure, love's pure flame within me raise; and, since words can never measure, let my life show forth thy praise.

#### \* SCRIPTURE READING

David Schlimme, Elder

# John 3:16-21

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup> And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. <sup>20</sup> For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

# "The Love of God that Gives"

# 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 465 (vv 1-3)

# Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

1 Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt, yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

# Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

2 Sin and despair like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the mighty cross.

# Refrain

3 Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, What can avail to wash it away? Look! there is flowing a crimson tide; Whiter than snow you may be today.

#### Refrain

#### \* 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**

# "The Love of God that Gives" John 3:16-21

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Next Week:				
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Preacher: David Rogers, Pastor

# Come Praise and Glorify

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# How Deep the Father's Love for Us

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# Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

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# Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

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# **ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS**

SUNDAY	Prayer for Worship—Worship Center	8:15 a.m.
	Sunday School for all ages—CE Bldg	9:00 a.m.
	Worship—Worship Center	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Group—Admin Bldg	5:00 p.m.
	${\bf Covenant~Clubhouse} \hbox{\it} Fellowship~Hall$	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies' Morning Bible Study—CE Rm 201	9:30 a.m.
	Ladies' Evening Bible Study—CE Rm 201	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Prayer—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available online at www.tnpc.org/events

#### LIVESTREAM AUDIO ACCESS

- 1. Go to www.tnpc.org
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TOWN NORTH LIBRARY RE-OPENING — Our library is now open for use on the 1st floor of the Administration building. You can also use our online catalog to search for books.

Library QR Code >>>



SAVE THE DATE! — Join TNPC Women on Saturday, April 22 at 12:00pm in Fellowship Hall for a Spring Luncheon. RSVP by April 16 to Susan Jeffery at csjeffery@sbcglobal.net or 214-293-8983.

PREACHING AND TEACHING CONFERENCE — Seminary professors Dr. Greg Beale and Dr. Ben Gladd will teach methods of interpretation for the New Testament use of the Old Testament on Friday, April 28, 8:00am-9:00pm at The Hope Center in Plano. This conference will be helpful for anyone who preaches or teaches the Scripture. QR Code>>



**LOST AND FOUND** — Several items have been turned into the church office and placed in the lost and found. These items are in the Narthex this morning. If you are missing any items, please check the box.

# Fiscal Year 2023 Totals through March 19, 2023

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

General Fund Income \$ 728,346 Designated Giving \$ 143,818 Total Expenses \$ 1,177,552 Net Surplus or (Deficit) \$ (307,388)

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# EASTER WEEK Schedule



Since the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus are central to our hope for the world and our lives, we are providing several opportunities for you to focus on them during Easter week.

# **♦ Sunday, April 2**

- ♦ 10:30am Worship Center
  - ♦ Palm Sunday worship including the procession of palms

# ♦ Wednesday, April 5

- ♦7:00pm Christian Ed Bldg 200-201
  - ♦ A Night of Prayer focusing on Christ's work and asking Him for renewal

# ♦ Thursday, April 6

- ♦6:30pm Worship Center
  - ♦ Maundy Thursday worship including the Lord's Supper

# ♦ Friday, April 7

- ♦6:30pm Worship Center
  - ♦ Good Friday worship with extended time for prayer and meditation on the Word

# ♦ Sunday, April 9

- ♦9:00am Fellowship Hall
  - ◆ Easter Fellowship Please bring a brunch-type food to share
- ♦ 10:30am Worship Center
  - ♦ Resurrection Sunday worship

