

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



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

April 30, 2023 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

Rob Anderson & Lynna Harbison

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 67:1-5, 7

LEADER: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

**PEOPLE: that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

LEADER: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

**PEOPLE: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

LEADER: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

**PEOPLE: God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Across the Lands

1 You're the Word of God the Father
from before the world began;
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
has been fashioned by your hand.
All creation holds together
by the power of your voice;
let the skies declare your glory,
let the land and seas rejoice.

2 Yet you left the gaze of angels,
came to seek and save the lost;
and exchanged the joy of heaven
for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer you fed the hungry,
with a word you stilled the sea;
yet how silently you suffered
that the guilty may go free.

Chorus

You're the author of creation,
You're the Lord of ev'ry man,
and your cry of love rings out
across the lands!

3 With a shout you rose victorious,
wresting victory from the grave,
and ascended into heaven
leading captives in your wake.
Now you stand before the Father,
interceding for your own,
from each tribe and tongue and nation,
you are leading sinners home.

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Romans 10:13-14

LEADER: For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how
are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are
they to hear without someone preaching?

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**ALL: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our
whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not
done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against
your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused
to proclaim your gospel.
Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; 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

Titus 2:11-14

LEADER: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

1 What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong.
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes, apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

Chorus

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess:
Christ our hope in life and death.

2 What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us night
unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Chorus

(Continued...)

3 Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
“Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!”
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
then sin and death will be destroyed,
and we will feast in endless joy,
when Christ is our forevermore.

Final Chorus

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess:
Christ our hope in life and death.
Now and ever we confess:
Christ our hope in life and death.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

David Schlimme, Elder

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

Hymn 441 (vv 1-5)

Jesus Shall Reign

- 1 Jesus shall reign where’er the sun
does his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.
- 4 Blessings abound where’er he reigns;
the pris’ner leaps to lose his chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all the sons of want are blest.
- 5 Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honors to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen!

John 4:27-45

Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” ²⁸ So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, ²⁹ “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” ³⁰ They went out of the town and were coming to him.

³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.” ³² But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” ³³ So the disciples said to one another, “Has anyone brought him something to eat?” ³⁴ Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work. ³⁵ Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, then comes the harvest’? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. ³⁶ Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷ For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.” ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word. ⁴² They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

⁴³ After the two days he departed for Galilee. ⁴⁴ (For Jesus himself had testified that a prophet has no honor in his own hometown.) ⁴⁵ So when he came to Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him, having seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the feast. For they too had gone to the feast.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

“The Christian’s Bread and Butter”

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 449 (vv 1-4)

We Rest on Thee

- 1 “We rest on thee”—our shield and our defender!
We go not forth alone against the foe;
strong in thy strength, safe in thy keeping tender,
“We rest on thee, and in thy name we go,”
strong in thy strength, safe in thy keeping tender,
“We rest on thee, and in thy name we go.”
- 2 Yea, “in thy name,” O Captain of salvation!
In thy dear name, all other names above:
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
our Prince of glory and our King of love,
Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation,
our Prince of glory and our King of love.
- 3 “We go” in faith, our own great weakness feeling,
and needing more each day thy grace to know:
yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
“We rest on thee, and in thy name we go,”
yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing,
“We rest on thee, and in thy name we go.”
- 4 “We rest on thee”—our shield and our defender!
Thine is the battle, thine shall be the praise
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
victors—we rest with thee, through endless days,
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
victors—we rest with thee, through endless days.

* BENEDICTION

Matthew 28:19-20

PASTOR: “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

“The Christian’s Bread and Butter”

John 4:27-45

Next Week:

Text: *John 4:46-54*
Preacher: Graham Clark, Youth Director

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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.
WEDNESDAY	Prayer—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	National Day of Prayer—Worship Center	12:00 p.m.
	Men’s Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Women’s Prayer Brunch—Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
	Youth Annual MasterChef Competition—Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.

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NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER — Join us this Thursday, May 4 from 12:00-1:00pm in the Worship Center for prayer.

PRAYER BRUNCH — Ladies, gather with us for a devotional, time in prayer, and refreshments this Saturday, May 6 at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall. RSVP by May 3 to Barb Cole: barbjcole1958@gmail.com.

VISITOR’S LUNCH — Make plans to join us next Sunday, May 7, immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite dish serving 10-12 people. Desserts and drinks will be provided. Visitors are especially welcome! If you’d like to volunteer to help, please contact DeAnne Schlimme (dschlimme64@gmail.com).

RTS COMMENCEMENT SERVICE — Join us as we praise God for Graham Clark’s graduation from RTS! Friday, May 19, 5:00pm, Providence PCA (10727 Midway Rd, Dallas, TX 75229).

Fiscal Year 2023

Totals through April 23, 2023

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

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Total Expenses	\$ 1,299,128
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