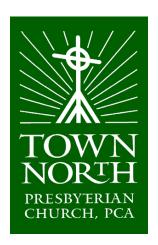
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# The Week's Order of WORSHIP for \_\_\_\_\_\_ THE LORD'S DAY

June 25, 2023 10:30 A.M.

#### REFLECTION

"Hope fills the afflicted soul with such inward joy and consolation, that it can laugh while tears are in the eye, sigh and sing all in a breath; it is called "the rejoicing of hope" (Hebrews 3:6)."

-William Gurnall, *The Christian in Complete Armour*, Part 13.

PRELUDE Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Hamid, Pastoral Intern

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

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33:1-3, 20-22

LEADER: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

PEOPLE: Our soul waits for the LORD;

he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him,

because we trust in his holy name.

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,

even as we hope in you.

#### \* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### \* SONG OF PRAISE

Ensemble & Congregation

#### Wonderful, Merciful Savior

1 Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

#### Chorus

You are the one that we praise, you are the one we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, oh, our hearts always hunger for.

- 2 Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace; you offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way. Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way.
- 3 Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving your own; here in our weakness you find us falling before your throne. Oh, we're falling before your throne.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 42:5-6a

LEADER: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

#### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL:

O most gracious and merciful God, you have sent Jesus as the mighty King who has overcome sin, death, and the devil. You have promised that all who trust in him will share in his great victory. Yet we confess that, as we struggle through the pains and hardships of this life, we so often live in hopelessness. Forgive our unbelief and set our hearts upon the risen Christ. Empower us to live each according to the eternal life that he has won for us, looking forward to his glorious return. 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 3:4-7

LEADER:

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

#### \* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

#### All I Have Is Christ

- 1 I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way; the sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.

  I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will and if you had not loved me first I would refuse you still.
- 2 But as I ran my hell-bound race, indiffrent to the cost you looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross; and I beheld God's love displayed, you suffered in my place, you bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace!

#### Chorus

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

3 Now Lord I would be yours alone and live so all might see the strength to follow your commands could never come from me.
O Father use my ransomed life in any way you choose and let my song forever be my only boast is you.

#### Chorus (x 2)

# UPDATE FROM REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL AT UTD

#### PRAYER FOR THE BILLINGSLEA FAMILY

#### PSALTER READING

David Rogers, Pastor

#### Psalm 62

To the choirmaster: according to Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.

For God alone my soul waits in silence;

from him comes my salvation.

<sup>2</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

<sup>3</sup> How long will all of you attack a man to batter him,

like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

<sup>4</sup> They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.

They take pleasure in falsehood.

They bless with their mouths,

but inwardly they curse.

Selah

<sup>5</sup> For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.

<sup>6</sup> He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

<sup>7</sup> On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

<sup>8</sup>Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Selah

<sup>9</sup> Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion;

in the balances they go up;

they are together lighter than a breath.

Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, set not your heart on them.

<sup>11</sup> Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God,

<sup>12</sup> and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.

For you will render to a man according to his work.

#### TESTIMONY OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IN MISSIONS

Betsy Aeschliman, Medical Missionary

#### \* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 94 (vv 1-4, 6)

#### How Firm A Foundation

- 1 How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- 2 "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."
- 3 "When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress."
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine."
- 6 "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

#### \* SCRIPTURE READING

David Hitt, Elder

#### 1 Samuel 18:17-30

Then Saul said to David, "Here is my elder daughter Merab. I will give her to you for a wife. Only be valiant for me and fight the LORD's battles." For Saul thought, "Let not my hand be against him, but let the hand of the Philistines be against him." <sup>18</sup> And David said to Saul, "Who am I, and who are my relatives, my father's clan in Israel, that I should be son-in-law to the king?" <sup>19</sup> But at the time when Merab, Saul's daughter, should have been given to David, she was given to Adriel the Meholathite for a wife.

<sup>20</sup> Now Saul's daughter Michal loved David. And they told Saul, and the thing pleased him. <sup>21</sup> Saul thought, "Let me give her to him, that she may be a snare for him and that the hand of the Philistines

may be against him." Therefore Saul said to David a second time, "You shall now be my son-in-law." 22 And Saul commanded his servants, "Speak to David in private and say, Behold, the king has delight in you, and all his servants love you. Now then become the king's son-inlaw." <sup>23</sup> And Saul's servants spoke those words in the ears of David. And David said, "Does it seem to you a little thing to become the king's son-in-law, since I am a poor man and have no reputation?" 24 And the servants of Saul told him, "Thus and so did David speak." 25 Then Saul said, "Thus shall you say to David, 'The king desires no bride-price except a hundred foreskins of the Philistines, that he may be avenged of the king's enemies." Now Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines. <sup>26</sup> And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son-in-law. Before the time had expired, <sup>27</sup> David arose and went, along with his men, and killed two hundred of the Philistines. And David brought their foreskins, which were given in full number to the king, that he might become the king's son-in-law. And Saul gave him his daughter Michal for a wife. <sup>28</sup> But when Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that Michal, Saul's daughter, loved him, <sup>29</sup> Saul was even more afraid of David. So Saul was David's enemy continually.

<sup>30</sup> Then the commanders of the Philistines came out to battle, and as often as they came out David had more success than all the servants of Saul, so that his name was highly esteemed.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

#### APPLYING GOD'S WORD

David Rogers, Pastor

#### "Hope in a World of Unknowns"

#### 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 92 (vv. 1-4)

#### A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- 2 Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.

  Dost ask who that may be?
  Christ Jesus, it is he,
  Lord Sabbaoth his name,
  from age to age the same,
  and he must win the battle.
- 3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.

  The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- 4 That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

#### \* BENEDICTION

1 Corinthians 15:57-58

PASTOR:

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. Amen.

POSTLUDE Lynna Harbison

### **SERMON NOTES**

# "Hope in a World of Unknowns" 1 Samuel 18:17-30

#### Next Week:

Text: 1 Samuel 19:1-17

Preacher: David Rogers, Pastor

#### Wonderful, Merciful Savior

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#### All I Have Is Christ

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#### ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Prayer for Worship—Admin Rm 103	9:30 a.m.
	Worship—Worship Center	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Group Meeting—Admin Upstairs	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies' Morning Summer Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	9:30 a.m.
	Ladies' Evening Summer Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	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.
SATURDAY	Ministry Leaders Meeting—Admin Rm 103	9:00 a.m.

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#### LIVESTREAM AUDIO ACCESS

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No Adult or Children's Sunday School Classes in June and July – There will be NO Sunday School classes in June or July. We will resume classes on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 6</u>. On these Sunday mornings, we encourage you to rest and prepare for worship by focusing your hearts (and the hearts of your children) on God and all His benefits given to us in Jesus Christ.

LADIES' SUMMER BIBLE STUDY — Each week in June and July, we will explore one parable. No study guide necessary and no childcare will be offered. Tuesdays, 9:30am and 6:30pm in Admin Rm 103. This week—Luke 7:36-50.

**WOMEN'S PRAYER BRUNCH** — Join us for a devotional, time in prayer, and refreshments on Friday, July 14 at 9:00am in Fellowship Hall. RSVP by July 11 to Barb Cole at barbjcole1958@gmail.com. Childcare is available by email to Graham Clark at TNPCNursery@gmail.com by July 5.

**TNPC CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR** — We are in need of a volunteer to coordinate our Children's Sunday School program for the coming school year. For more information, contact Andrew Cies (andrew.cies@tnpc.org).

#### Fiscal Year 2023 Totals through June 18, 2023

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

General Fund Income \$ 922,261
Designated Giving \$ 164,858
Total Expenses \$ 1,471,275
Net Surplus or (Deficit) \$ (384,156)

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