

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



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

*July 30, 2023 10:30 A.M.*

REFLECTION

***“See the contrary disposition of Christ and Satan...Satan attacks us when we are weakest. But Christ will mend in us all the breaches sin and Satan have made. He “binds up the brokenhearted” (Isaiah 61:1). And as a mother treats most tenderly the most diseased and weakest child, so does Christ most mercifully bend down to the weakest people.”***

-Richard Sibbes, *The Bruised Reed and Smoking Flax*, Works of Richard Sibbes, vol. 1, Banner of Truth, 2001, p. 46.

PRELUDE

*Lynna Harbison*

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*Graham Clark, Youth Director*

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

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 113*

LEADER: Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD,  
praise the name of the LORD!

**PEOPLE: Blessed be the name of the LORD  
from this time forth and forevermore!**

LEADER: From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the LORD is to be praised!

**PEOPLE: The LORD is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens!**

LEADER: Who is like the LORD our God,  
who is seated on high,  
who looks far down  
on the heavens and the earth?

**PEOPLE: He raises the poor from the dust  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
to make them sit with princes,  
with the princes of his people.**

LEADER: He gives the barren woman a home,  
making her the joyous mother of children.

**PEOPLE: Praise the LORD!**

\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

*Hymn 57 (vv 1-4)*

***Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul (Psalm 146)***

1 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,  
O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises  
of my God through all my days.  
Put no confidence in princes,  
nor for help on man depend;  
he shall die, to dust returning,  
and his purposes shall end.

2 Happy is the man that chooses  
Israel's God to be his aid;  
he is blessed whose hope of blessing  
on the Lord his God is stayed.  
Heav'n and earth the Lord created,  
seas and all that they contain;  
he delivers from oppression,  
righteousness he will maintain.

3 Food he daily gives the hungry,  
sets the mourning pris'ner free,  
raises those bowed down with anguish,  
makes the sightless eye to see.  
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,  
and the stranger he befriends,  
helps the fatherless and widow,  
judgment on the wicked sends.

4 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,  
O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises  
of my God through all my days.  
Over all God reigns forever,  
through all ages he is King;  
unto him, your God, O Zion,  
joyful hallelujahs sing.

## CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

*Matthew 11:28-30*

LEADER: “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

## 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

*Hebrews 4:14-16*

LEADER: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

## \* HYMN OF RESPONSE

*Hymn 164 (vv 1-6)*

### *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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| 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing<br>my great Redeemer's praise,<br>the glories of my God and King,<br>the triumphs of his grace.              | 4 He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin,<br>he sets the pris'ner free;<br>his blood can make the foulest clean,<br>his blood availed for me.      |
| 2 My gracious Master and my God,<br>assist me to proclaim,<br>to spread through all the earth abroad<br>the honors of thy name.                 | 5 He speaks and, list'ning to his voice,<br>new life the dead receive;<br>the mournful, broken hearts rejoice;<br>the humble poor believe.      |
| 3 Jesus, the name that charms our fears,<br>that bids our sorrows cease;<br>'tis music in the sinner's ears,<br>'tis life and health and peace. | 6 Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,<br>your loosen'd tongues employ;<br>ye blind, behold your Savior come;<br>and leap, ye lame, for joy. |

***Psalm 142***

*A Maskil of David, when he was in the cave. A Prayer.*

With my voice I cry out to the LORD;  
with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

<sup>2</sup> I pour out my complaint before him;  
I tell my trouble before him.

<sup>3</sup> When my spirit faints within me,  
you know my way!

In the path where I walk  
they have hidden a trap for me.

<sup>4</sup> Look to the right and see:  
there is none who takes notice of me;  
no refuge remains to me;  
no one cares for my soul.

<sup>5</sup> I cry to you, O LORD;  
I say, "You are my refuge,  
my portion in the land of the living."

<sup>6</sup> Attend to my cry,  
for I am brought very low!  
Deliver me from my persecutors,  
for they are too strong for me!

<sup>7</sup> Bring me out of prison,  
that I may give thanks to your name!  
The righteous will surround me,  
for you will deal bountifully with me.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*David Rogers, Pastor*

\* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

*Ensemble & Congregation*

***Jesus, I Come***

1 Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,  
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.  
Into thy freedom, gladness and light,  
Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of my sickness into thy health,  
out of my wanting and into thy wealth,  
out of my sin and into thyself,  
Jesus, I come to thee.

2 Out of my shameful failure and loss,  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of thy cross,  
Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm,  
out of life's storms and into thy calm,  
out of distress into jubilant psalm,  
Jesus, I come to thee.

*(Continued...)*

3 Out of unrest and arrogant pride,  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy blessed will to abide,  
Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in thy love,  
out of despair into raptures above,  
upward forever on wings like a dove,  
Jesus, I come to thee.

4 Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of thy home,  
Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold,  
into the peace of thy sheltering fold,  
ever thy glorious face to behold,  
Jesus, I come to thee.

\* SCRIPTURE READING

*David Hitt, Elder*

***1 Samuel 22:1-5***

David departed from there and escaped to the cave of Adullam. And when his brothers and all his father's house heard it, they went down there to him. <sup>2</sup>And everyone who was in distress, and everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was bitter in soul, gathered to him. And he became commander over them. And there were with him about four hundred men.

<sup>3</sup>And David went from there to Mizpeh of Moab. And he said to the king of Moab, "Please let my father and my mother stay with you, till I know what God will do for me." <sup>4</sup>And he left them with the king of Moab, and they stayed with him all the time that David was in the stronghold. <sup>5</sup>Then the prophet Gad said to David, "Do not remain in the stronghold; depart, and go into the land of Judah." So David departed and went into the forest of Hereth.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

*David Rogers, Pastor*

***"A Leader for the Discontent"***

\* RESPONDING IN SONG

*Ensemble & Congregation*

***Jesus, Lover of My Soul***

1 Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high;  
hide me, O my Savior hide, till life's storm is past,  
safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last.

2 Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee;  
leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

*(Continued...)*

3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find;  
raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness;  
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

4 Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within;  
thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

\* 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*

