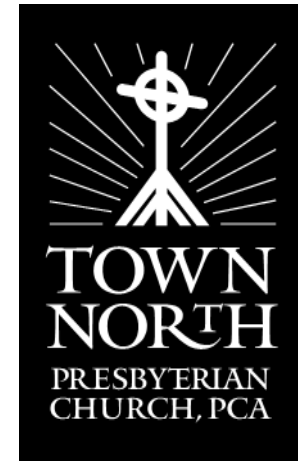


*Town North is a community of disciples
making disciples of Jesus.*



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

May 17, 2026

WELCOME TO TOWN NORTH!

Welcome to Town North Presbyterian Church. Whether you are a believer of many years, returning to church after a period of absence or exploring the Christian faith for the first time, we gladly welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you have any questions about Town North, the Christian faith or today's service, please approach one of our Pastors or Elders (listed on the back of the worship guide) who would love to meet with you.

CONNECT WITH US

If you are a visiting Town North, please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle, indicating your attendance with us this morning.

CHILDREN

We take great joy in inviting children of all ages to join in our worship service alongside their parents. However, if you need to take a short break, feel free to use our cry room located in the back of the sanctuary or to step out into the narthex.

Children's Activity Clipboards are available in the narthex for coloring or taking notes during the worship service. Please return the clipboard and crayons to the shelf after the service.

Nursery is available for children up to 3 years old on the first floor in the Christian Education Building.

OFFERINGS

Giving is an act of worship. We return a portion of what we have to our Heavenly Father to demonstrate we are not our own, but belong, body and soul, to Him. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

Please deposit your offerings in the designated boxes in the Narthex or online through the PCA Foundation using this QR code:



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PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

Psalm 107:1-9

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!

PEOPLE: **Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

LEADER: Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to a city to dwell in;
hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

PEOPLE: **Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.
He led them by a straight way
till they reached a city to dwell in.**

LEADER: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!

ALL: **For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.**

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 457—Come, thou Fount of Every Blessing

1. Come, thou fount of ev-'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2. Here I raise my Eb-en - e - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God:
Prone to wan-der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

Matthew 8:23-27

LEADER: And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing." And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And the men marveled, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?"

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: **Our Father in heaven, you have promised that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ. You have assured us that, for those who love God, all things work together for good and that not even a sparrow can fall to the ground without your permission. Yet we confess that, like the disciples before us, we have often been prone towards unbelief. We have failed to trust your promises and to take you at your word and have therefore dishonored who you are and what you have done. Have mercy on us and forgive these our sins. Transform us by the renewing of our minds so that we might be biblical in our thinking, strong in faith and fruitful witnesses in Your world. In Jesus' name we pray, 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

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

Micah 7:18-20

LEADER: Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

His Mercy Is More



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done?
 2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam?
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us.



Om - nis - cient, all - know - ing, He counts not their sum.
 What Fa - ther so ten - der is call - ing us home?
 His blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost.



Thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore.
 He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor.
 We stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford.



Our sins, they are man - y, His mer - cy is more.

CHORUS



Praise the Lord, His mer - cy is more.



Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn..



Our sins, they are man - y, His mer - cy is more.

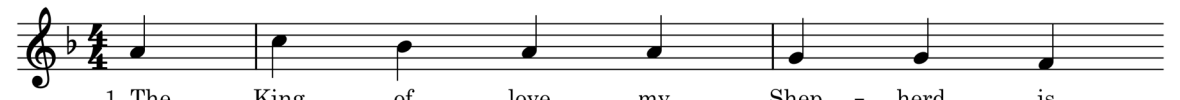
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PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

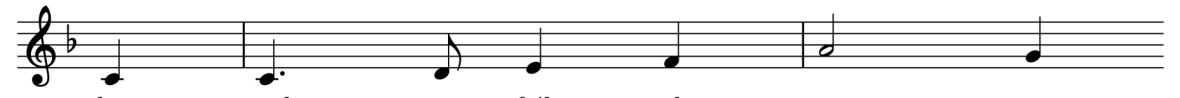
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* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

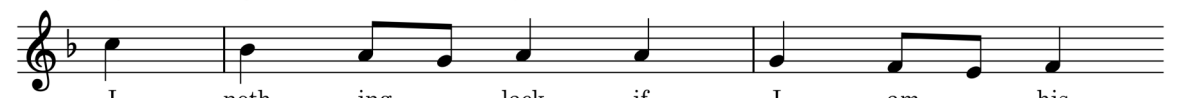
Hymn 184—The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1. The King of love my Shep - herd is,
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow
 3. Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed,
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill
 5. Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight;
 6. And so through all the length of days



whose good - ness fail - eth nev - er;
 my ran - somed soul he lead - eth,
 but yet in love he sought me,
 with thee, dear Lord, be - side me;
 thine unc - tion grace be - stow - eth;
 thy good - ness fail - eth nev - er:



I noth - ing lack if I am his
 and where the ver - dant pas - tures grow,
 on his shoul - der gent - ly laid,
 thy rod and staff my com - fort still,
 and O what trans - port of de - light
 Good Shep - herd, may I sing thy praise



and he is mine for - ev - er.
 with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 thy cross be - fore to guide me.
 from thy pure cha - lice flow - eth.
 with - in thy house for - ev - er.

Words: From Psalm 23; Henry W. Baker, 1868.
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Luke 15:1-32

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

¹¹ And he said, “There was a man who had two sons. ¹² And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. ¹³ Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴ And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

¹⁷ “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸ I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.”’ ²⁰ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹ And the son said

to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²² But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³ And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴ For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

²⁵ “Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷ And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹ but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ ³¹ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

LEADER: This is the Word of the LORD.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

“Jesus, the friend of sinners”
Luke 15:1-32

Handwriting practice lines for the text: “Jesus, the friend of sinners” Luke 15:1-32. The page contains ten sets of five horizontal lines each, intended for copying the text.

Hymn 460—Amazing Grace!

1. A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound—
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
 3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares,
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me,
 5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
 6. When we've been there ten thou - sand years,

that saved a wretch like me!
 and grace my fears re - lieved;
 I have al - read - y come;
 his Word my hope se - cures;
 and mor - tal life shall cease,
 bright shin - ing as the sun,

I once was lost, but now am found,
 how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear
 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
 he will my shield and por - tion be,
 I shall pos - sess in the veil
 we've no less days to sing God's praise

was blind, but now I see.
 the hour I will first be - lieved!
 and grace will lead me home.
 as long as life en - dures.
 a life of joy and peace.
 than when we've first be - gun.

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* BENEDICTION

Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor

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

Next Week:

PREACHER: Paul Gibson, Senior Pastor
