

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

As we gather today, remember the centrality of worship for the people of God in Christ. We were created to worship God and redeemed to worship Him in Christ. Even our witness and discipleship are aimed at gathering still more to worship our Lord and God. There will come a day when witness and discipleship will cease, but not worship. So lift your eyes to your Lord and Savior in a foretaste of that which we will rejoice to offer up to Him eternally!

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Marty Martin

Introit

Now to Praise the Name of Jesus

Call to Worship

Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests, on the one hand, existed in greater numbers because they were prevented by death from continuing, but Jesus, on the other hand, because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently. Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, which came after the Law, appoints a Son, made perfect forever.

§ Hymn

Arise, My Soul, Arise

No. 305

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Andrew Newman

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 40:1-17

I waited patiently for the LORD; and He inclined to me and heard my cry. He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay, and He set my feet upon a rock making my footsteps firm. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many will see and fear and will trust in the LORD.

How blessed is the man who has made the LORD his trust, and has not turned to the proud, nor to those who lapse into falsehood. Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders which You have done, and Your thoughts toward us; there is none to compare with You. If I would declare and speak of them, they would be too numerous to count.

Sacrifice and meal offering You have not desired; my ears You have opened; burnt offering and sin offering You have not required. Then I said, “Behold, I come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do Your will, O my God; Your Law is within my heart.”

I have proclaimed glad tidings of righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I will not restrain my lips, O LORD, You know. I have not hidden Your righteousness within my heart; I have spoken of Your faithfulness and Your salvation; I have not concealed Your lovingkindness and Your truth from the great congregation.

You, O LORD, will not withhold Your compassion from me; Your lovingkindness and Your truth will continually preserve me. For

evils beyond number have surrounded me; my iniquities have overtaken me, so that I am not able to see; they are more numerous than the hairs of my head, and my heart has failed me.

Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me; make haste, O LORD, to help me. Let those be ashamed and humiliated together who seek my life to destroy it; let those be turned back and dishonored who delight in my hurt. Let those be appalled because of their shame who say to me, “Aha, aha!” Let all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; let those who love Your salvation say continually, “The LORD be magnified!” Since I am afflicted and needy, let the Lord be mindful of me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God.

§ Psalm

I Waited for the Lord Most High

No. 622

(stanzas 1, 2, & 6)

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

How Sweet and Awesome

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores. ‘Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin. While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, each of us cry, with thankful tongues, “Lord, why was I a guest? Why was I made to hear Thy voice, and enter while there’s room, when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?” We long to see Thy churches full, that all the chosen race may with one voice, and heart, and soul, sing Thy redeeming grace. Pity the nations, O our God! Constrain the earth to come; send thy victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home. Bring the strangers home. ~CCLI11347461

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Newman

§ Hymn

Searcher of Hearts, from Mine Erase

No. 536

Scripture Reading

I Thessalonians 4:1-12

Pew Bible page 1183

<sup>1</sup>Finally then, brethren, we request and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us instruction as to how you ought to walk and please God (just as you actually do walk), that you excel still more. <sup>2</sup>For you know what commandments we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. <sup>3</sup>For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; <sup>4</sup>that each of you know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, <sup>5</sup>not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God; <sup>6</sup>and that no man transgress and defraud his brother in the matter because the Lord is the avenger in all these things, just as we also told you before and solemnly warned you. <sup>7</sup>For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification. <sup>8</sup>So, he who rejects this is not rejecting man but the God who gives His Holy Spirit to you.

<sup>9</sup>Now as to the love of the brethren, you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another; <sup>10</sup>for indeed you do practice it toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, to excel still more, <sup>11</sup>and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you, <sup>12</sup>so that you will behave properly toward outsiders and not be in any need.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Pastor Martin

God’s Will for You

§ Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

No. 529

§ Benediction

§ Corporate “Amen”

EVENING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 33:1-5

Sing for joy in the Lord, O you righteous ones; praise is becoming to the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy. For the word of the Lord is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the lovingkindness of the Lord.

§ Psalm

Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord

No. 16

(stanzas 1, 2, 4, & 5)

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Pastor Marty Martin

New Testament Reading

Romans 9:1-13

I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience testifies with me in the Holy Spirit, that I have great sorrow and unceasing grief in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh, who are Israelites, to whom belongs the adoption as sons, and the glory and the covenants and the giving of the Law and the temple service and the promises, whose are the fathers, and from whom is the Christ according to the flesh, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For they are not all Israel who are descended from Israel; nor are they all children because they are Abraham’s descendants, but: “THROUGH ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS WILL BE NAMED.” That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God, but the children of the promise are regarded as descendants. For this is the word of promise: “AT THIS TIME I WILL COME, AND SARAH SHALL HAVE A SON.” And not only this, but there was Rebekah also, when she had conceived twins by one man, our father Isaac; for though the twins were not yet born and had not done anything good or bad, so that God’s purpose according to His choice would stand, not because of works but because of Him who calls, it was said to her, “THE OLDER WILL SERVE THE YOUNGER.” Just as it is written, “JACOB I LOVED, BUT ESAU I HATED.”

§ Hymn

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

No. 4

(stanzas 1, 2, 4, & 6)

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Alex Brandenburg, cello; Cathy Lawton, piano

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Pastor Martin

§ Psalm

The Mighty God. The Lord

No. 316

Scripture Reading

Genesis 39:13-23

Pew Bible page 43

<sup>13</sup>When she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and had fled outside, <sup>14</sup>she called to the men of her household and said to them, “See, he has brought in a Hebrew to us to make sport of us; he came in to me to lie with me, and I screamed. <sup>15</sup>When he heard that I raised my voice and screamed, he left his garment beside me and fled and went outside.” <sup>16</sup>So she left his garment beside her until his master came home. <sup>17</sup>Then she spoke to him with these words, “The Hebrew slave, whom you brought to us, came in to me to make sport of me; <sup>18</sup>and as I raised my voice and screamed, he left his garment beside me and fled outside.”

<sup>19</sup>Now when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke to him, saying, “This is what your slave did to me,” his anger burned. <sup>20</sup>So Joseph’s master took him and put him into the jail, the place where the king’s prisoners were confined; and he was there in the jail. <sup>21</sup>But the Lord was with Joseph and extended kindness to him, and gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer. <sup>22</sup>The chief jailer committed to Joseph’s charge all the prisoners who were in the jail; so that whatever was done there, he was responsible for it. <sup>23</sup>The chief jailer did not supervise anything under Joseph’s charge because the Lord was with him; and whatever he did, the Lord made to prosper.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Pastor Andrew Newman

Joseph Goes to Prison

§ Psalm

The Man Who Once Has Found Abode

No. 90

§ Benediction

Postlude

**Sermon Notes:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pew Cards:** *If you are new to Fellowship, please help us get to know you by filling out a pew card and dropping it in the offering plate. ~Thank you!*

**Wednesday Night Supper & Service:**

**5:30 PM: Catered Supper—\$3.50/ adult (ages 11 & up); \$2.50/child (ages 10 & under) \$15 max/family; sign-up is required.**

**\*Please indicate on a pew card the number of adults & children attending this week’s supper;** the menu is chili, cornbread, salad and dessert. **Food is served until 6:10 pm.**

**6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children); High Point (youth).**

**Tuesday Early Morning Bible Study (Philippians) meets Tuesdays, 6:30—7:30 AM.** Pastor Martin leads this early morning study on Tuesdays. Sign up online or in the narthex.

**Ladies’ Precepts Bible Study of Hebrews meets Tuesdays, 9:45 AM** (childcare is available). Contact Wendy Richards for details.

**Women’s Tuesday Evening Bible Study (“Esther” by Lydia Brownbeck):** This study, led by Meghan Newman, will meet at 6:30 pm, at the church on: February 7 & 21; March 7.

**Women’s Evening Bible Study (1 Peter) meets Thursdays, 7:00 PM.** Contact Barbara Wilder for details.

**Men’s Sunday Afternoon Discussions meets Sunday afternoons, 4:45 PM.** This men’s group, led by Pastor Andrew Newman, meets in the infant nursery each Sunday afternoon at 4:45; the discussion for the winter/ spring term will center around the ten plagues found in the book of Exodus.

**Informational Meeting—Sunday, February 5, 10:00 AM**

*There will be **an informational meeting for all adults** (held in the Fellowship Hall) during Sunday school to **present an overview of the site and building plan** (for the discipleship building) as we look forward to the March 31 banquet. Coffee, tea, and donuts will be available during the meeting.*

**Friday, March 31, 2023 ~ Discipleship Building Kick-Off Banquet ~ Save the date!**

***VBS/ Summer SeaQuest: June 19 — 23! Save the Date!***

**Pastor Albert Kona, Missionary to Albania—Sunday Evening, February 12:**

Pastor Albert Kona will be visiting with us Sunday evening, February 12! Pastor Kona will preach during evening worship and give an update on his ministry in Albania. Following worship, we will have a Soup Supper and time of fellowship with Berti, Jennifer, and their kids.

*Children’s Choir meets Sunday afternoons at 4:45 pm.*

***2022 Contribution Statements*** have been mailed. *If you have any questions about your statement, or if you have not received one, please contact the church office before Tuesday, January 31. ~Thank you.*



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

January 29, 2023

*Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.*

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20

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**THE SESSION:**

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin  
Ruling Elders: Craig Bouvier, John Kuhfuss, Terry Richards,  
Tim Taylor, Jeff Wayne, Sr., Jeff Wayne, Jr.  
Elder of the Month: Craig Bouvier

**THE DIACONATE:**

Deacons: Pat DeJong, Jared Farquhar, Dave Frengel,  
Brian Medlin, Kelly Peterson, Philip Triplett  
Deacon of the Week: Pat DeJong

**ASSISTANT PASTOR:** Pastor Andrew Newman

**COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE:** Pastor Peter Spink

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES:** Michael Weaver

**CHURCH INTERN:** Vinicius Pimentel

**ACCOMPANISTS:**

Piano, Beverly Brouwer & Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farquhar

**MISSIONARIES & BENEVOLENCE MINISTRIES:**

Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kona—Albania  
Rev & Mrs. Alonzo Ramirez—Peru  
Rev. & Mrs. Todd Crusey—London  
Rev. & Mrs. John Blevins—NW Knoxville  
Rev & Mrs. Miguel D’Azevedo—Okinawa  
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