FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

Have you ever considered what a privilege it is to participate in worship? Most do not realize how the Reformation changed the worship of God's people. Prior to reformation, the liturgy of the Church was in Latin and the congregation largely sat as spectators while the priests performed the mass (including much of the singing). With the spread of revival and reformation, in addition to translating the Scriptures into the language of the people, Luther and others began to write psalms, hymns and spiritual songs in the common tongue. God's people were able, perhaps for the first time in centuries, to engage heart and mind in songs of praise! Let us join them now in worship, praising the Triune God who has saved us by His grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ!

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Andrew Newman

Introit None Other Lamb

Call to Worship

Psalm 72:16-19

May there be abundance of grain in the earth on top of the mountains;

Its fruit will wave like the cedars of Lebanon;

And may those from the city flourish like vegetation of the earth.

May his name endure forever;

May his name increase as long as the sun shines;

And let men bless themselves by him;

Let all nations call him blessed.

Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel,

Who alone works wonders.

And blessed be His glorious name forever;

And may the whole earth be filled with His glory.

Amen, and Amen.

§ Hymn

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

No. 103

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Newman

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.

The people who walk in darkness

Will see a great light;

Those who live in a dark land,

The light will shine on them.

You shall multiply the nation,

You shall increase their gladness;

They will be glad in Your presence

As with the gladness of harvest,

As men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders,

The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian.

For every boot of the booted warrior in the battle tumult,

And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the fire.

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us;

And the government will rest on His shoulders;

And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace,

On the throne of David and over his kingdom,

To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness

From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this. § Hymn

To Us a Child of Hope Is Born

No. 233

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

O Love Alex Brandenburg, cello

O Love, that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer.

O Joy, that seeks me through the pain, O Joy, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Marty Martin

§ Hymn

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

No. 535

Scripture Reading

Titus 3:12-15

Pew Bible page 1194

¹²When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, make every effort to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. ¹³Diligently help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way so that nothing is lacking for them. 14Our people must also learn to engage in good deeds to meet pressing needs, so that they will not be unfruitful.

¹⁵All who are with me greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.

Proclamation of God's Word

Pastor Martin

Here and There

§ Hymn Lift High the Cross No. 263

stanzas 1, 3, & 5

§ Benediction

§ Corporate "Amen"

Call to Worship

Psalm 48:1-3, 13-14

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, In the city of our God, His holy mountain. Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth, Is Mount Zion in the far north, The city of the great King. God, in her palaces, Has made Himself known as a stronghold.

EVENING WORSHIP

Consider her ramparts; Go through her palaces, That you may tell it to the next generation. For such is God. Our God forever and ever: He will guide us until death.

The God of Abrahan Praise

Mr. Greg Horsky

No. 34

No. 164

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Proverbs 6:1-19

Old Testament Reading

§ Hvmn

§ Hymn

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

None Other Lamb Rebekah Farquhar, soprano; Abbye Dilling, alto; Cathy Lawton, piano

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Mr. Horsky

§ Psalm I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art No. 168

Scripture Reading

John 3:22-36

Pew Bible page 1061

²²After these things Jesus and His disciples came into the land of Judea, and there He was spending time with them and baptizing. ²³John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, because there was much water there; and people were coming and were being baptized—²⁴ for John had not yet been thrown into prison.

²⁵Therefore there arose a discussion on the part of John's disciples with a Jew about purification. ²⁶And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, He is baptizing and all are coming to Him." ²⁷John answered and said, "A man can receive nothing unless it has been given him from heaven. ²⁸You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but, 'I have been sent ahead of Him.' ²⁹He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. So this joy of mine has been made full. ³⁰He must increase, but I must decrease.

³¹"He who comes from above is above all, he who is of the earth is from the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all. ³²What He has seen and heard, of that He testifies; and no one receives His testimony. ³³He who has received His testimony has set his seal to this, that God is true. ³⁴For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure. ³⁵The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand. ³⁶He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

Proclamation of God's Word John Decreases, Jesus Increases

Pastor Andrew Newman

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

No. 172

§ Benediction

§ Hymn

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March 30, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Infant Nursery: Nancy Jurik & Sandy Waugh; Alternate: Becky Taylor
11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Katie & Adaya Moses
6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Sarah & Monet Mothersbaugh

April 6, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Infant Nursery: Ryan Piller & Tiffani Medlin; Alternate: Robin Patane 11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Jennier & Charlie or Addis Carter 6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Philip & Brandy Triplett

Questions? Contact nurserv@fellowshippres.org.

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THE SESSION:

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

THE DIACONATE:

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

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Pastor Andrew Newman

COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Peter Spink

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Steve Lawton

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Jeff Wayne, Sr.

CHURCH INTERN: Greg Horsky

ACCOMPANISTS:

Piano, Beverly Brouwer and Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farguhar

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. Mikael Romer—Poland/ Ukraine Greenville Theological Seminary Greer Community Ministries

Miracle Hill Ministries

Rev. & Mrs. Mark Kuo—Taiwan Rev. & Mrs. Gary Watanabe—Tokyo Rev. & Mrs. Rob Hamby—Daniel Island Rev & Mrs. Miguel D'Azevedo—Okinawa Rev. & Mrs. Vinicius Pimentel—Brazil Gospel Reformation Network Covenant College

February 2025 General Fund Summary*

 Date:
 Budget:
 General Fund Giving:
 Debits:
 GF Net Total:

 Feb 2025
 \$57,245.95
 \$39,656.05
 \$91,019.57
 (\$51,363.52)

 Jul 2024—Feb 2025
 \$457,967.60
 \$466,238.34
 \$499,316.41
 (\$33,078.07)

 February Building Fund Giving:
 \$15,840.50
 Total February Giving (GF + BF):
 \$55,496.55

 Building Fund Total as of 2/28:
 \$721,286.76

*For a full Financial Report, please contact the church office or speak to an Officer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>**Pew Cards:**</u> 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 chicken pot pie, salad, and dessert. Food is served until 6:10 pm.

6:00 PM: High Point (youth), meets in the sanctuary 6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children)

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Thursday, April 17, 7:00 PM ~ Special Prelude, 6:45 PM ~ Nursery available.

Easter Sunday, April 20:

- ◆ 7:30 AM: Sunrise Service followed by breakfast (sign up in narthex/ online)
 - ◆ 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM: Worship Services (no Sunday school)

New Inquirers' Class—Friday & Saturday, April 11 & 12

This **two day Inquirers' Class, taught by Pastor Martin,** is an opportunity for **newcomers** and **those considering membership** to learn more about who we are, what we believe, and how we seek to serve. **Sign-up in the narthex or online; childcare available** (sign up for childcare is requested).

Friday, April 11: Saturday, April 12: 5:30 pm, catered supper 8:30 am, light breakfast 6:30—8:30 pm, class sessions 1 & 2 9:00 am—12 noon, class sessions 3 - 5

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday, April 6, during morning worshin.

Adult Sunday School classes, 10:00 am:

- -Christian Parenting, meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- -Parables of Jesus, meeting in the Sanctuary

Youth Teaching & Events:

-Sunday School, 10:00 am: Biblical Relationships

-Wednesdays, High Point, 6:00 pm: Westminster Larger Catechism

-Saturday, April 12, 5:00—8:00 pm: Dinner and a Mario Kart tournament at the Newmans!

Family Day at Lincoln Park in Taylors, Saturday, April 12, 10:00 am—2:00 pm. Lunch (pizza, fruit and veggie trays) will be provided. RSVP to Emma by Wednesday, April 9.

The Ladies 7th Annual Tea, this Saturday, April 5, 3:00 pm: All ladies are invited to attend. This is a seated event so your sign-up (at women@fellowshippres.org or in the narthex) will ensure that we have enough hostesses. ~Thank you!

Women's Bible Studies and Fellowship Events:

- -Colossians, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, at the home of Brittany Reini.
- -James (Precepts study), Tuesdays, 9:45 am, at the church; childcare provided.
- -I John, Thursdays, 10:30 am, at the home of Barbara Wilder.

Men's Bible Study (Romans), Thursdays, April 3 & 24, 7:00 pm, at the church.

VBS—UPWARD BOUND: Monday, June 16—Friday, June 20.



FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

March 30, 2025

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