

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WICHITA FALLS

JULY 18, 2021

A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PPRELUDE

Sonata II (Adagio)

Mendelssohn

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We are called into the church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,

to be God's servants in the service of all,

to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,

to join Christ in his passion and victory.

"Beloved let us love one another, for love comes from God."

All who love are born of God and know God.

Let us worship God!

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE | Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates #152**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most Merciful God, we join our voices in this prayer of confession because we realize that we are united with each other in our sinfulness. We all sin in ways that are unique to us as individuals. We say and do things that go against Your will for our lives. Forgive us for thinking we are better than others. Forgive us for considering others' sins worse than our own. Forgive us for being so quick to recognize the sin in others, yet slow to see it in ourselves. Grant us the humility of spirit and the gladness of heart that comes from knowing that Jesus died to take away the sins of the world. Touch our lives with Your healing grace and create in us clean hearts. We pray these things in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Time for silent prayer and confession

*HYMN OF PRAISE

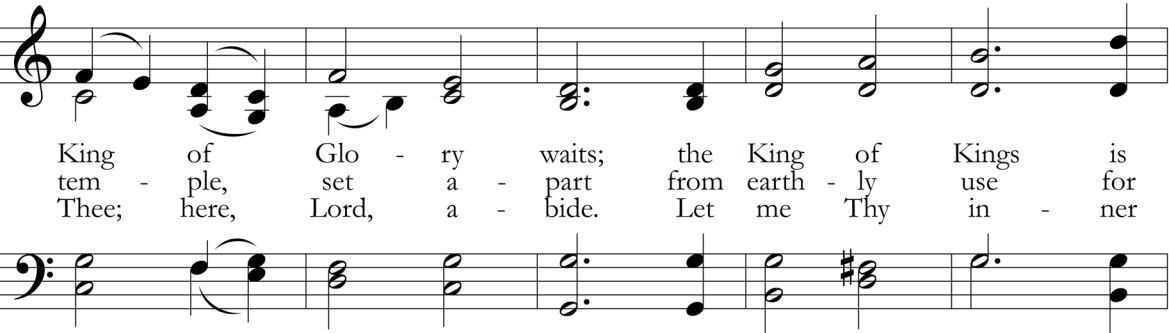
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Psalm 24
George Weissel

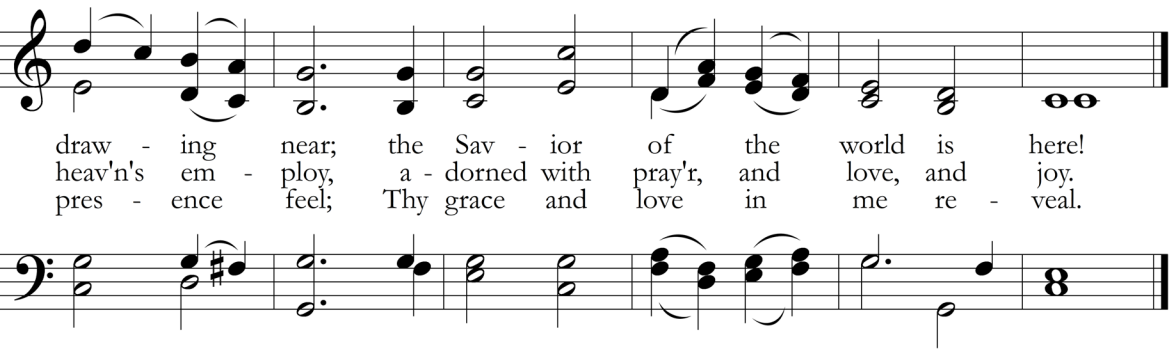
T. Williams' Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn. It consists of a treble and a bass staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates, be - hold, the
2. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
3. Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

King of Glo - ry waits; the King of Kings is
tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
Thee; here, Lord, a - bid. Let me Thy in - ner

Musical notation for the third system of the hymn. It concludes the hymn with a final cadence. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

draw - ing near; the Sav - ior of the world is here!
heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with pray'r, and love, and joy.
pres - ence feel; Thy grace and love in me re - veal.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

SCRIPTURE READING | Genesis 3:14-19 p. 3 in pew Bible

*SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE | Reckless Love

*Before I spoke a word You were singing over me
You have been so so good to me
Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me
You have been so so kind to me*

Chorus
*(And) O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found
Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it
Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God yeah*

*When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me
You have been so so good to me
When I felt no worth You paid it all for me
You have been so so kind to me*

Chorus
*There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me*

Chorus

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

The offering of time, money, and talents is a commitment to God and our participation in God’s redeeming work in the world. You are welcome to place a financial gift to God as the offering plate is passed. You may also give online at myfirstpres.org/giving or text “give” to 830-584-1063.

OFFERTORY | O Mary, What You Gonna Call Your Pretty Little Baby Arr. Brown

*O Mary, what you gonna call your pretty little baby?
Born, born in Bethlehem.*

*Some call Him one thing, I think I’ll call Him Jesus.
Glory! Glory! Glory to that newborn King!
Some call Him one thing, I think I’ll say “Emmanuel.”
Glory! Glory! Glory to that newborn King!*

All children are welcome to come forward during the singing of Doxology to hear a kid friendly message at Moments with Children

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

*“Who was Conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary” | Rev. Michael Hansen
Luke 1:26-38 p. 855 in pew Bible*

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

*SENDING HYMN | I Love to Tell the Story #383

Katherine Hankey

William Fischer

The musical score is written for soprano and bass staves in 4/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the bass part providing harmonic support. The lyrics are as follows:

1. I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2. I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
3. I love to tell the sto - ry; for those who know it best

of Je - sus and His glo - ry, of Je - sus and His love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet.
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it, like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else could do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto - ry, 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and His love.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart Arr. Wetherill

All are sent to serve and love the Lord following the Benediction.

Church Life

July 18, 2021

EVERYONE

Family Night Supper

August 18 at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a Taco Bar, chips, salsa, and queso. Tres Leches Cake for dessert. \$6/Person or \$20/family of 4 or more.

Prayer Gathering

Tonight at 4 PM in the Atrium. Join us for an afternoon of prayer as we gather together as a church family.

YOUTH

Youth Group

Wednesday nights from 6-7:30 PM. If you have any questions please reach out to Pastor Michael Morris at michael@myfirstpres.org

MEN

Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at 6:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Men across all life stages study together to develop hearts for God that will impact their home, their work, and the world. Contact Hainds Laird with any questions haindslaird@yahoo.com

YOUNG FAMILIES

Ways To Pray For Your Children

August 8 at 4-5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Join Pastor Michael Hansen for an evening of discussion and learning on prayer for your family.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	Current Period	Year To Date
Total Income	\$57,156	\$497,321
Total Expense	\$95,439	\$461,351
Net Income (Loss)	(\$38,284)	\$35,970

Period Ending June 30, 2021

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