



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WICHITA FALLS

January 2, 2022

A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

How Great Thou Art

Arr. Wilbur Held

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Adapted from Psalm 71

Leader: I come praising the mighty deeds of the Lord God, I will praise Your righteousness, Yours alone.

People: O God, from my youth You have taught me, and I still proclaim Your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim Your might to all the generations to come. Your power and Your righteousness, O God, reach the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like You? My lips will shout for joy when I sing praises to You; my soul also, which You have rescued.

Leader: O God, who is like You? Let our lips shout for joy, let us sing our praises to You.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE | Amazing Grace #275

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, You are the anchor amidst our fears. You know the sins we can't even admit to ourselves. You show your faithfulness even when we reject You. You offer grace even when we offer judgment. Forgive us, God. Help us overcome our fears. Help us face all of our sins. Help us to be faithful. Help us to be full of grace. Remind us that we are a people of redemption, not a people imprisoned by our sins. And help us to live as people of hope, shaped by Your forgiving love. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER AND CONFESSIONS OF SINS

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT | Isaiah 53:1-5

“He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.”

John Newton

American melody

1. A - maz - ing grace - how sweet the sound - that
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

Oh You've come to bring peace to be Love
 To be nearer to us
 You've come to bring life to be Light
 To shine brighter in us
 Oh Emmanuel God with us

Our Deliverer You are Savior
 In Your presence we find our strength
 Over ev'rything our Redemption
 God with us
 You are God with us

Oh You've come to be Hope to this world
 For Your honor and name
 And You've come to take sin to bear shame
 And to conquer the grave
 Oh Emmanuel God with us

Our Deliverer You are Savior
 In Your presence we find our strength
 Over ev'rything our Redemption
 God with us
 You are God with us

You are here
 You are holy
 We are standing in Your glory (Lord)
 (REPEAT)

Our Deliverer You are Savior
 In Your presence we find our strength
 Over ev'rything our Redemption
 God with us
 You are God with us

Oh God with us
 You are God with us

Following the Glory to the Father, all children are welcome to come to the front steps for a kid friendly message.

*GLORY TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

PRAYERS 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.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Luke 4:16-30 p. 859 in Pew Bible
"Who Is This Man?" | Rev. Michael Hansen

CALL 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

ANTHEM

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

○ Hope of every contrite heart, ○ joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only Joy be Thou, as Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our Glory now, and through eternity.

*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.

*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. Amen.

*SENDING HYMN | ○ For a Thousand Tongues to Sing! #141

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

In Thee Is Gladness

J.S. Bach

Charles Wesley

Carl G. Gläser

1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2. Je - sus, the Name that charms our fears, that
 3. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, He
 4. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free; His blood can make the
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the

God and King, the tri - umphs of His grace!
 sin - ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and
 sin - ful clean, His blood a - vailed for
 earth a - broad, the hon - ors of Thy name.

Announcements

January 9, 2022

EVERYONE

Office Administrator Position Filled

Hayden Cowan has returned to the First Pres staff as the Office Administrator. We are happy to welcome a familiar face back. Join us in welcoming him.

Family Night Supper

On January 19th we host our annual Chili Cook-Off in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM. Cost is \$6/person and \$20/family of four or more. Scan the QR code or call the church office to RSVP.



YOUTH

Youth Group Break

Youth group will return on Wednesday, January 19th.

CHILDREN

Children's Choir

Please join us for Children's Choir practice on Wednesdays from 6:00-6:30 PM in the theater.

Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School has returned! Please join us in Hallelujah Hallway at 9:30 AM. Classes available for grades K - 1st, 2nd - 3rd, and 4th - 5th.

MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Michael Hansen, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

Rev. Michael Morris, Assistant Pastor/Director of Student Ministries

Lance Hargis, Director of Music

Dustin Fike, Director of Contemporary Music

Dr. Ron Hough, Organist

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