



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WICHITA FALLS

November 7, 2021

A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

Solemn Prelude

Alec Rowley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

When Jesus speaks, our hearts burn within us;

Our eyes are opened when he breaks the bread.

Beloved, we are God's children now;

When Christ is revealed, we will be like him.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain.

Blessing and honor and glory to God!

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** | Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, No. 85 (see p. 2)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Adapted from "Continual Repentance" in *The Valley of Vision*

Pastor: O God of grace, you have taken my sin and put it on Jesus' head, and you've taken his righteousness and put it on mine. You've made me holy and blameless in your sight; therefore, you delight in me.

All: But in my Christian walk, on my best days, I still sin. I am greedy. I am selfish. I am lustful. I am slothful. I love my sinful delights more than I love you or love my neighbor.

Pastor: I sin like this more frequently than I care to admit, but I tell you, Heavenly Father, because Jesus has died for me and because you can empower me to walk in obedience.

All: Grant that I never lose sight of the ugliness of sin, the glory of Christ, the beauty of holiness, or the wonder of grace. Help me to seek you every morning with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Time for silent prayer and confession

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

*HYMN OF PRAISE | Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, No. 85

Walter Chalmers Smith

Welsh melody

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est - to both great and small;
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 in all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains, high soar - ing a - bove,
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great Name we praise.
 Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish - but nought chang - eth Thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!

*SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE | To the Table

Hear the voice of love that's calling
 There's a chair that waits for you
 And a friend who understands
 Everything you're going through

But you keep standing at a distance
 In the shadows of your shame
 But there's a light of hope that's shining
 Won't you come and take your place

And bring it all to the table
 It's nothing He ain't seen before
 For all your sin all your sorrow
 And your sadness
 There's a Savior and He calls
 Bring it all to the table

He can see the weight you carry
 The fears that hold your heart
 But through the cross you've been forgiven
 You're accepted as you are

So bring it all to the table
 It's nothing He ain't seen before
 For all your trials all your worries
 And your burdens
 There's a Savior and He calls
 Bring it all to the table

Bring it all
 You can bring it all

Come on in take your place
 There's no one who's turned away
 All you sinners all you saints
 Come right in and find your grace
 REPEAT

And bring it all to the table
 It's nothing He ain't seen before
 For all your sin all your sorrow
 And your sadness
 There's a Savior and He calls
 Bring it all to the table

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

*GLORY TO THE FATHER

Glory be to 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

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Luke 15:11-24 p. 874 in pew Bible
“The First Lost Son” | Rev. Michael Hansen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Come Unto Me

Mark Blankenship

*Come unto Me, all ye that labor,
and I will give you rest.
Come unto Me, all ye that are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.*

*Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me;
for I am meek and lowly in heart:
and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

*For My yoke is easy, My burden is light.
Come unto Me, all ye that labor,
and I will give you rest.*

*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.

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | The Westminster Larger Catechism Q. & A. 168

Q. What is the Lord’s Supper?

A. The Lord’s Supper is a sacrament of the New Testament, wherein by giving and receiving bread and wine according to the appointment of Jesus Christ, his death is showed forth; and they that worthily communicate feed upon his body and blood to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace; have their union and communion with him confirmed; testify and renew their thankfulness and engagement to God, and their mutual love and fellowship with each other, as members of the same mystical body.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER

*SENDING HYMN | How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds, No. 130 (see p. 6)

***SENDING HYMN | How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds, No. 130**

John Newton

Alexander R. Reinagle

1. How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
 2. It makes the woun - ed spir - it whole, and
 3. Dear Name! the Rock on which I build, my
 4. Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, and

a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes his sor - rows,
 calms the trou - bled breast; 'tis man - na to the
 Shield and Hid - ing Place, my nev - er - fail - ing
 cold my warm - est thought; but when I see Thee

heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.
 hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.
 Treas - ry, filled with bound - less stores of grace.
 as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven Arr. Raymond Haan

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

Announcements

November 7, 2021

EVERYONE

Thanksgiving Outreach

Bag delivery is the morning of November 20th. Call the church office to sign up or scan the QR code below to fill out the sign up form. Check the Narthex for orange bags.

Messiah

The 75th annual performance of Messiah by George Fredric Handel, has been moved from December 12, 2021 to Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 3:30 PM.

Organ & Trumpet Recital

Christina Hargis and Joseph Cooper will be playing on November 13th at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Family Night Supper

Pork Tenderloin with all the fixings! Join us for this Thanksgiving Fest on November 17th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Visit our website or call the church office to RSVP.

Use This QR Code to see a full list of upcoming events.

CHILDREN

Crossings

Meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 4:30-6:00 PM. For ages 4 years old to 5th grade.

Children's Choir

Following Crossings from 6:00-6:30 PM in the Theater. For grades 1st to 5th.

PARENTS

The Art of Parenting Study

Led by Michael and Maggie Hansen, will wrap up its last two nights of the study on November 7th & November 14th.

MINISTRY STAFF

Michael Hansen, Senior Pastor

Michael Morris, Assistant Pastor/
Director of Student Ministries

Lance Hargis, Director of Music

Dustin Fike, Director of Contemporary Music

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Ruby and Robert Priddy, and Swannanoa and Walter Priddy, and Mina Buerger, by Dianne and Hervey Priddy.

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