



# Welcome to Worship

Sunday, January 21, 2024

9:00 and 11:10 a.m.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

Christ, Mighty Savior

Anne Krentz Organ

*As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.*

### SILENT MEDITATION

"God, I want to give You every minute of this new year. I shall try to keep You in mind every moment of my waking hours.... I shall try to let You be the speaker and direct every word. I shall try to let You direct my acts. I shall try to learn Your language." Frank C. Laubach

### CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, worship the living God today!

**Remember that out of nothing God created the heavens and earth.**

Remember that God raised Jesus from the powerlessness of death to the power of his right hand.

**Remember that not even the gates of hell can stand against God's purposes.**

**Behold our God, who reigns now and forever! Let us exalt God's name together!**

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

KINGSFOLD

(\*Please stand if you are able)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

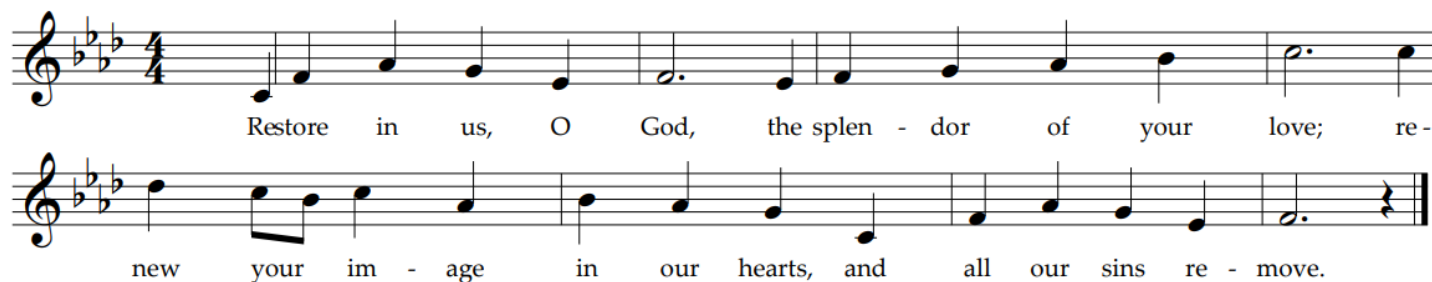
Most gracious and most merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers, but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil. We have rehearsed your commandments, but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor. We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

**KYRIE ELEISON (#434)**

Restore in Us, O God

BAYLOR

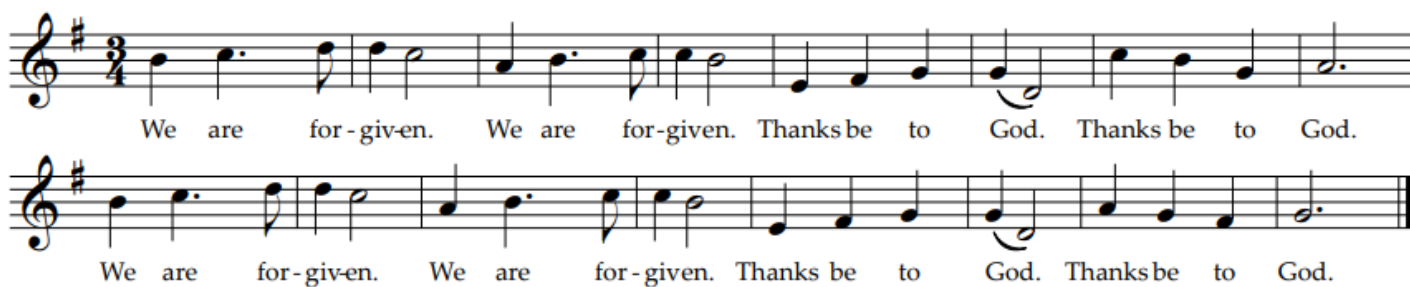


Restore in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -  
new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON****\*GLORIA PATRI (#447)**

We Are Forgiven

WE ARE FORGIVEN



We are for-giv-en. We are for-given. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.  
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**WELCOME***During the welcome, children are invited to come forward for a time with Dr. Zieman***TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES****THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

page 753 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!***ANNOUNCEMENTS****FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER****JOYS AND CONCERNS****ANTHEM**Prayer for Peace (9:00)  
Largo from Sonata in E minor (11:10)David Cherwien  
Antonio Vivaldi**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****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.

**PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD****THE GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 1: 14-20

page 812 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

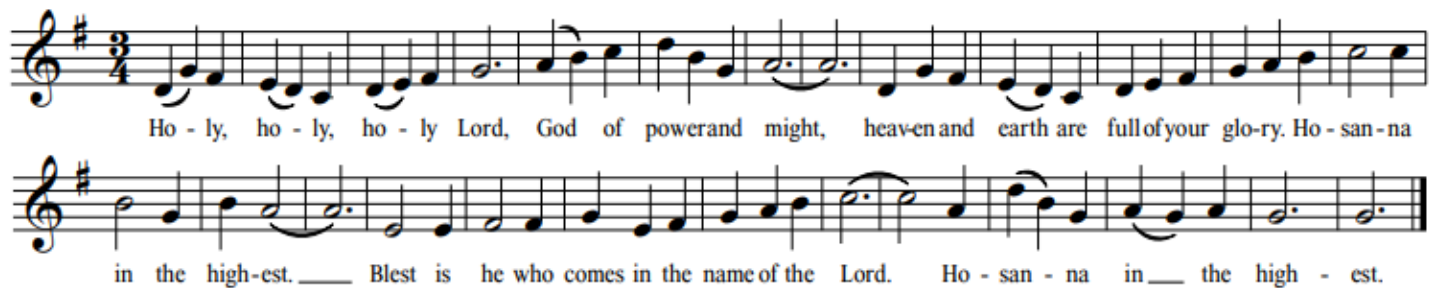
from The Declaration of Faith

In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death. We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us. Forgiven by God and supported by our siblings in Christ, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

**\*SANCTUS (#572)**

Holy, Holy, Holy

SANCTUS (Pavlechko)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. — Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

**RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS****OFFERTORY**

Dear Lord and Father (9:00)

C. Hubert H. Parry

Allegro from Sonata in E minor (11:10)

Antonio Vivaldi

**\*DOXOLOGY (#607)**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #726**

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION****\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

God Is Good (9:00)

Gene Grier &amp; Lowell Everson

Go Now in Peace (11:10)

Don Besig

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Go now in peace. Ne - ver be a - fraid. God will go with you each hour of ev-'ry day. Go now in faith, stead-strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you be-lieve. Reach out to oth-ers so all the world can see. God will be there watch-ing from a - bove. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. — A - men. — A - men. — A - men. —

POSTLUDE

Recessional Toccata

SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

- Liturgist** Amy Boesen, co-Moderator of the Membership Committee
- Music** 9:00 Alleluia Singers; Mark Kanitz, organ  
11:10 Camille Hinz, cello; Mark Kanitz, organ
- Ushers** 9:00 Tim Graumann, Captain; Brenda Graumann, Kathy Moore, Cheryl Bedell, Jeff Boyum  
11:10 Josh Murray, Captain; Joe Weaver, Sue Kiel, Arlin Kiel
- Greeters** North Door: 9:00 11:10  
Welcome Center 9:00 11:10 Kris and Tim Goodman
- Coffee Host** Karen Saunders
- Information Center** 9:00 Judy Thomas 11:10 Pam Swenson
- Childcare Ministry** Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, Brandon Fisher

**For your convenience during worship:** Bibles, hymnals, and sign-in books are in the pews. Blue envelopes are provided for the offering, and yellow prayer request cards are also provided. Prayer requests are confidential. Please note: If you would like to have an item included in the Bulletin Announcements, the deadline for submissions is Wednesday night each week. Once an item has been submitted, it will be included automatically until the event has passed. Send your information to [communications@pcoc.us](mailto:communications@pcoc.us). Thank you!

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| Rev. Kirk Ryckman, D. Min.    | Pastor Emeritus                                       |  |



# Announcements

For the week of January 21, 2023

## The Week Briefly

### **Sunday, January 21 Pantry Sunday**

- 9:00 Worship
- 10:00 Children's & Youth SS Classes
- 10:00 Bach's St. Matthew Passion Class
- 10:00 2023 New Members' Reception
- 11:10 Worship
- 12:15 New Member Discussion
- 3:00 Vesper Concert
- 3-6 JHF Bowling
- 4:45 SHF Fellowship

### **Monday, January 22**

- 9 & 11 Music and Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 11:00 Ethel Pauba Memorial Service & lunch

### **Tuesday, January 23**

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 1:00 Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 2:00 Active Monks
- 6:00 Cross Care

### **Wednesday, January 24**

- 5:15 Children's Choir
- 5:50 Chamber Singers
- 6:00 Cornerstone Dinner
- 6:30 Bible Study and Adult Education
- 6:30 Confirmation Class
- 6:50 Alleluia Singers

### **Thursday, January 25**

- 9 & 11 Music and Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 6:00 Carillon Choir

### **Friday, January 26**

- 6:30 SHF Lock In

### **Sunday, January 28**

- 10:00 Children's, Youth & Adult SS Class
- Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 Bach's St. Matthew Passion Class
- 11:10 Worship
- Annual Meeting
- Luncheon
- 4:45 JHF/No SHF

**Joys and Concerns.** Frank Watt and Don Sievers continue in care facilities, recovering from their recent falls.

**Vesper Concert Today at 3:00 p.m.** Our guest performers are Adam Sadberry and Yoshiko Arahata. Flutist and educator Adam W. Sadberry is paving a distinctive career with his citizenry, creativity, and vibrancy both on and off stage. This multi-media performance will captivate you as you follow in the footsteps of Adam's grandfather and unsung hero of the Civil Rights Movement, L. Alex Wilson.



**Next Sunday Is Our Annual Congregational Meeting.** So that all members may attend, there is only one worship service, at 11:10. The meeting begins near the conclusion of the worship service. Everyone is invited to stay for the meeting, although only PCOC members may vote or participate. A soup luncheon follows the meeting. An informational packet will be available next Sunday, which includes the 2024 budget, committee summaries, congregational statistics, and staff reports. Besides receiving this information, the congregation is asked to vote on a new class of elders and deacons, the new Nominating Committee for next year, and any changes to the pastor's salary package. The meeting should be brief but informative. The following PCOC members have been nominated:

#### for Elder:

Jeff Friesen  
Laurie Kerr  
Beth Maxwell  
Don Metzger  
Sue Meusey  
Cindy Rieke  
Earlene Uhrig  
Kathryn Vint

#### for Deacon:

Paula Allen  
Jane Burch  
Larry Frederickson  
Carla Fritz  
Tim Jerry  
Jacquie Kluck  
Shanna Mathia  
Patti Sparks

Those nominated for next year's Nominating Committee are Dennis Boesen, Karen Saunders, Rob Bailey, and Staci Voss, with Kara Versaw & Ethan Bennett serving as alternates.

**Lunch Next Sunday.** After the congregational meeting, an all-church soup luncheon will follow, provided by the Congregational Life Committee. No sign up is needed!



**Nordic Choir Housing.** The Nordic Choir from Luther College is coming to PCOC on Thursday, February 1st, to perform a concert at 7:00 p.m. We need to house about 66 students for the night. Do you have room for 2-4 singers? If so, please sign up on the church website. More information about hosting can be found on the signup form.

**Giving Envelopes for 2024.** New year giving envelopes are now available in the Welcome Center on a table close to the Information Desk. If you don't find your envelopes or would like to use envelopes, please contact Rock in the church office.

**Cornerstone Has Resumed through March 13.** Join us for food, fellowship and fun on Wednesday nights for all ages. Childcare is provided from 5:30 – 8:15 p.m. Register and submit payment online.

**Lenten Study for 2024.** This year's churchwide Lenten Study will begin February 18. We'll be studying Magrey DeVega's book, Savior, What the Bible Says about the Cross. By exploring the mystery of salvation through the cross, we can deepen our love for God and others and strengthen our commitment to follow Jesus. Register online by February 1 or stop by the Information Desk if you need assistance registering.

**Children and Youth Ministry Volunteers Needed.** If you love working with children and building relationships with youth, this is the job for you! Contact Heather for ways you can make a difference in the lives of our children and youth.

**Humanitarian Aid for Israel and Palestine Donations.** The Mission Committee will send \$5000 from their current budget to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) for humanitarian aid in Israel and Palestine. Working through partners on the ground and ACT Alliance, PDA's response efforts will encompass an array of vital humanitarian interventions, including medical supplies, shelter, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), food and non-food items, and delivering crucial psycho-social support to individuals. If you would like to join in supporting relief efforts, the church will collect donations through the end of January. Write PDA Israel/Palestine on the memo of your check, or you may give online via the church website by choosing Disaster Relief as the fund.

### **PER CAPITA – What it is and Why?**

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All members should be aware of the Per Capita Assessment that our church pays each year. This money goes to offset the administrative cost for the Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. As a connectional church, we need to maintain effective channels of communication, and coordination so that our ministry as Presbyterians works well. The per capita assessment supports this process so that all Presbyterian programs, missions, and ministries may function better. This year our per capita is \$40.80 per member. What that means is our church will pay \$30,559.20 by February 15, 2024, for our membership at Church of the Cross. If you decide to give a special gift to cover the per capita cost for your family, it will help the church offset our assessment. That would be: **\$40.80 for a single family member, \$81.60 for a two-member family, \$122.40 for a three-member family, and \$163.20 for a four-member family.** You are welcome to use the blue pew envelopes. Please drop it in the offering plate or mail your gift to Rock Sumner, Business Administrator at the church office.

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