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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### MUSICAL PRELUDE

#### GOD CALLS US INTO HIS HOLY PRESENCE *(Please stand)*

Minister: My heart is steadfast, O God!

**Congregation: I will sing and make melody with all my being!**

Minister: Awake, O harp and lyre!

**Congregation: I will awake the dawn!**

Minister: I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the peoples;

**Congregation: I will sing praise to You among the nations.**

Minister: For Your steadfast love is great above the heavens;

**Congregation: Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

~ Psalm 108: 1-4

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#### HYMN “We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator” #97

Prayer of Adoration: Pastor Dwight Dolby

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!**

#### GOD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST *(Please be seated)*

Leader: Let us hear the exhortation of the Word of God regarding the righteous character of our new lives in Christ:

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. **Ephesians 4:29-32**

Leader: In the light of God’s complete knowledge of our thoughts, words, and actions, let us confess our sins:

**Heavenly Father, I come before you with many things for which to be thankful. Surely your steadfast love, goodness, and mercy have followed me all the days of my life. Yet now I thank you with utmost praise for redeeming my life from the pit, from the domain of darkness, sin, and death. I thank you for placing me in Christ, Your Son, and crediting his righteousness to me. I thank you for loving me, a sinner, and sending me a Savior to purchase me with his own blood. I confess I continue to need your forgiveness as my flesh is still unruly. Help me to reckon my old life dead because of crucifixion, and never feed it as a living thing. Purge me from selfishness and the fear of man. Keep me from wandering from the path of obedience to Your will. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life. May it rule me; may I walk in its power and be strengthened through its influence. In the name of Christ, the King who is the resurrection. Amen.**

Leader: Please take a moment to privately commune with our Lord.

Minister: People of God, lift up your heads and stand with me to hear the good news of our salvation: *(Please stand)*

**Romans 8:14-17** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Minister: Our sins are forgiven through the atoning work of Christ Jesus our Lord, the Lamb of God!

**Congregation: Praise be to God!**

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HYMN “Before the Throne of God Above” (see insert)

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**Confession of Faith:** The Apostles’ Creed (845)

#### GOD INSTRUCTS US

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 100:1-5 (page 635)

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-26 (page 1144)

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-22 (page 1269)

Minister: The grass withers, the flower fades,

**Congregation: But the word of our God stands forever!**

#### BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Leader: People of God, what is our prayer for these children?

**People: May the Lord be with you.**

Children: And also with you!

**Leader: May the Word of the Lord grow in your hearts.**

Children: Thanks be to God.

**People : Go in peace.**

**Sermon:** “Come Before Winter”  
~ Pastor Dwight Dolby

#### GOD RECEIVES OUR PRAISE AND SEALS US IN CHRIST

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HYMN “Take My Life, and Let it Be” #585

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Prayers of God’s People/Tithes and Offerings / Doxology

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Congregation: It is right for us to give thanks.**

Minister: It is truly fitting, and right, and our joyful duty, to at all times and in all places give thanks to the Lord our God. And so now, in the company of angels, archangels, and all the Heavenly hosts, we magnify and glorify His name together singing...

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**SANCTUS** (see back)

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THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

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HYMN “Now Thank We All Our God” #98

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#### GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL “For Thine is the Kingdom”

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**VISITORS:** We are a local congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a conservative and evangelical denomination. You can find out more about the PCA from a brochure in the rack in our hallway.

**OUR WORSHIP STYLE:** You'll note ours is a traditional worship service, based upon forms of worship (liturgies) arising out of the Protestant Reformation. You will need to keep your bulletin in hand. We regard corporate worship as a dialogue between God and His covenant people.

**WEEKLY MEETINGS:**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sundays 9-10:00 AM. Join us for a two week study of the book of James on November 12th and November 19th.

**PRAYER SERVICE:** WEDNESDAYS @ NOON—1:00 PM (Fellowship Hall)

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Will **NOT MEET.**

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** EVERY OTHER SATURDAY

(November 25th) @ 8:00 AM (Fellowship Hall) Join us for a healthy dose of Christian fellowship with other men. We are currently studying "The Teachings of Jesus" from Matthew.

**TODAY:** Don't forget Operation Christmas Child boxes need to be returned to today .

**THIS MONTH:**

**PREGNANCY SOLUTIONS**—This year is the 21st annual Pregnancy Solutions Gala. It is being held on November 30th. ARPC has reserved a table for the Gala. Please see Austin Dolby for details for this event.

**Next Month:**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**—The Session has called for a congregational meeting to be held Sunday, December 17th, after worship service for the purpose of electing church officers. Those men eligible for election are: Mr. David Dolby (Deacon), Mr. Dennis Vassaluzzo (Deacon), Mr. Joe Gorman (Ruling Elder).

**CHURCH FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** Join us for ARPC's December Fellowship Meal on 12/03/23 following worship service. Please sign up on EVENTS board in main hallway. Main course is being provided. Come enjoy wonderful fellowship & food as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus. ALL WELCOME!

**SANCTUS**

**"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"**

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord;

God of power, God of might.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory:

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!"

**NOTES:**

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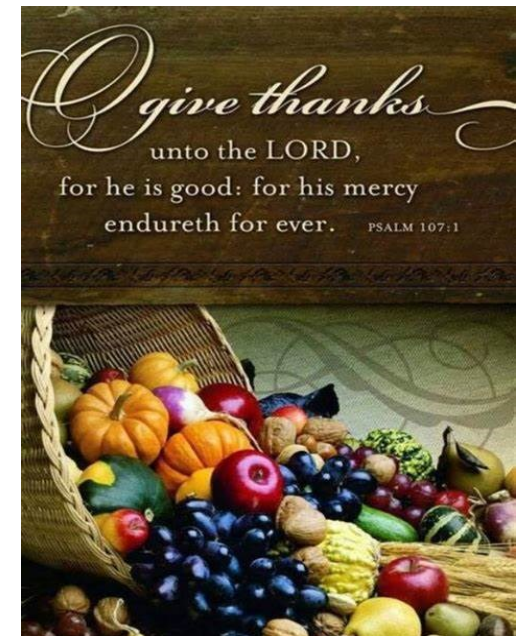
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# AUBURN ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**The Lord's Day  
Thanksgiving Sunday  
November 19th, 2023  
10:30 AM**