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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### MUSICAL PRELUDE

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

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

**Congregation: For His steadfast love endures forever!**

Minister: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,

**Congregation: From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**

Minister: Some were fools through their sinful ways,

**Congregation: And because of their iniquities suffered affliction; they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near the gates of death.**

Minister: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distress.

**Congregation: He sent out His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.**

Minister: Let them thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of man!

**Congregation: And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of His deeds in songs of joy!**

~ Psalm 107:1-3,17-22

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<b>HYMN</b>	"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"	#4
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Prayer of Adoration: Chas Jaskulski, Ruling Elder

*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:

"Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given

themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ!- assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness."

~ Ephesians 4:17-24

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

**Heavenly Father, Creator of all things, Ruler over all things, Righteous and Just in all Your ways, and in Your Person: Holy; You Who are the Author of all grace, mercy, and comfort; by Your Word and Holy Spirit, work true repentance in my soul. Melt my heart by Your majesty and mercy. Show me my ruined self and the salvation You have worked for me in Jesus Christ, Your Son. Cause me to confide in Your power and love, to commit my soul to You without reserve, to bear Your image, observe Your laws, and pursue Your service. Enable me to abide in Christ; to depend upon Him, commune with Him, be conformed to Him, and follow Him. Forgive my sins in light of His cross and cleanse me from all unrighteousness. I pray in the name of Jesus, 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:

**Ephesians 1:7,8** "In him (Jesus Christ) we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he has lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight..."

*Leader:* Our sins are forgiven through the atoning work of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Congregation: Praise be to God!**

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<b>HYMN</b>	"None Other Lamb, No Other Name"	#157
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<b>Confession of Faith:</b>	The Nicene Creed	#846
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### GOD INSTRUCTS US

Old Testament Reading:	Numbers 21:4-9	(page 164)
Gospel Reading:	John 3:14-21	(page 1130)
Epistle Reading:	Ephesians 2:1-10	(page 1242)

*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:** "New Heavens and Earth"

(Revelation 21: 1-8)

~ Pastor Chris Knaebel

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

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<b>HYMN</b>	"Grace! 'Tis a Charming Sound"	#462
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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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<b>SANCTUS</b>	(see back)
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THE LORD'S PRAYER  
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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<b>HYMN</b>	"Fairest Lord Jesus"	#170
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### GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL "For Thine is the Kingdom"

**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. (Fellowship Hall) The new topic this Sunday is Paul's Letter to the Romans ... a video series with W. Robert Godfrey. All are welcome. The theme of the study is "Not Ashamed".

**PRAYER SERVICE:** **WEDNESDAYS** at NOON in Fellowship Hall

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Join us each Tuesday, 1:00 - 2:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are currently studying *Joy Beyond Agony*, a thorough, biblically faithful look at the cross of Christ.

**TODAY:**

**WELCOME PASTOR CHRIS KNAEBEL:** Pastor Knaebel kindly obliged Pastor Dolby's request for assistance this week as he continues to recover at home. We thank our Lord for Chris and his family and warmly welcome them as we worship our Lord. (Rebecca, Elliot, Karis, and Sophia)

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** The March Fellowship Dinner is today after the service. Please join as we enjoy foods from around God's World.

**NEXT WEEK:**

**MINI MISSIONS WEEKEND: MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup> AND 17<sup>TH</sup>** Men's Bible Study (Saturday, the 16<sup>th</sup>) at 8:00 AM in Fellowship Hall. Jesus answers the question in Matthew 18, "Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?" It turns out greatness includes a "forgiving heart." Might that include forgiving those who persecute us? Voice of the Martyrs: "I am N" Virtual Event (Saturday, the 16<sup>th</sup>) 10:00 AM – 11:30 in Fellowship Hall. This is a powerful presentation on the persecuted church and power of Christ being seen in the Muslim world like never before. Testimonies, Prayers, Songs in the Night. Your faith needs to hear these stories. Sign-up sheet in the hallway today. Missionary Donald Cobb: On Sunday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day, we are privileged to welcome Rev. Donald Cobb, an MTW missionary to France. He has had many opportunities to minister to those serving in the Muslim World. He'll be sharing in the Adult Sunday School Hour and preaching during the worship service.

**COMING SOON:**

**PREGNANCY SOLUTIONS WALK FOR LIFE:** Saturday - March 23rd at Maxine Barritt Park in Venice. Austin Dolby should be back next week.

**VENICE BIBLE READATHON:** See insert in today's bulletin.

**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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~ Ephesians 1:7,8*

**"Let Us Worship God"  
Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 10th, 2024  
10:30 AM**