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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### MUSICAL PRELUDE

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

Minister: *How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!*

**Congregation:** *My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.*

Minister: *Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at Your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.*

**Congregation:** *Blessed are those who dwell in Your house, ever singing Your praise!*

Minister: *Blessed are those whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.*

**Congregation:** *As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.*

Minister: *They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.*

~Psalm 84:1-7

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#### **HYMN** "Lord of the Worlds Above" (sung to #310) # 375

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Prayer of Adoration: Joe Gorman, 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:

**"The Law of God"** *(to be read in unison, see insert)*

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

**Heavenly Father, help me to see myself in the light of Your Glory, that my pride would wither, decay, and perish. I acknowledge that every faculty of my mind and body is an**

**undeserved gift from You, yet I so often live for my own honor. In my pride and self-centeredness, I have not pursued my duty to You or to my fellow man. All those around me suffer the consequences of my sinful neglect of Your Law, including those I so much want to love aright. Sin's deformity has stamped itself upon me and I am undone. I long to be changed to the likeness of Christ. Humble my heart before You and replenish it with the joy that comes in Your forgiveness; in knowing You're satisfied with me through my union with Christ, and in serving the purposes You have ordained for me. I confess my sins of pride and selfishness. Forgive me and cleanse me now in Christ's name. Cause me to be a blessing to those whom You have called me to serve. In Jesus' name. 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)*

**Galatians 3:21-23; 4:4-6:** *"Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!'"*

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** "God of Grace" (see insert)

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#### Confession of Faith: "Westminster Confession of Faith"

Shorter Catechism Questions: #40—#48 (872)

### GOD INSTRUCTS US

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 24:1-25:9 (page 82)  
Gospel Reading: Matthew 26:36-46 (page 1058)  
Epistle Reading: Hebrews 8:1-6 (page 1280)

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: "We Do Have Such a High Priest"  
~ Pastor Dwight Dolby

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

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#### **HYMN** "Our God Is Mighty, Worthy of All Praising" # 454

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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** "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder" #172

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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). Be sure to pick up a visitor bag to learn more about us.

**OUR WORSHIP STYLE:** You will need to keep your bulletin in hand throughout the worship service. We regard corporate worship as a dialogue between God and His covenant people.

**WEEKLY MEETINGS:**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Our study is, “The Westminster Confession of Faith for Study Classes,” by G. I. Williamson.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYER SERVICE:** Meets at 12 noon in the Education Room.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY:** Women’s Weekly Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1:00—2:15 PM. *“Sojourners and Exiles, The Message of 1st Peter,”* a study with Sinclair Ferguson.

**MEN’S FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY: EVERY OTHER SATURDAY (Meets next on May 10th) @ 8:00 AM** (Education Room) We’ve recently begun our study in 1st Peter. Please join us for a lively discussion in the Word.

**COMING EVENTS:**

**PRAYER CLUB & BIBLE STUDY :** The Prayer and Bible Study Club will meet tomorrow night (Monday) at the church for prayer, 5:30—6:30 p.m. in the Education Room.

**NEW DAY BIBLE STUDY:** Young Adults, both singles and families! Meets today, following the worship service. Childcare provided.

**MINISTRY COORDINATION TEAM:** There will be a Ministry Coordination Team meeting Wednesday, 4/30, 10:15-11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS:** The session will be receiving nominations for ruling elders and deacons through the month of May. Nomination forms (for members only) will be available on May 4th.

**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!”

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# AUBURN ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We do have such a high priest, who sat down at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven.

Hebrews 8:1 NIV



**“Let us Worship God”  
The Lord’s Day  
April 27th, 2025  
10:30 AM**