GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD April 28, 2024 10:30am

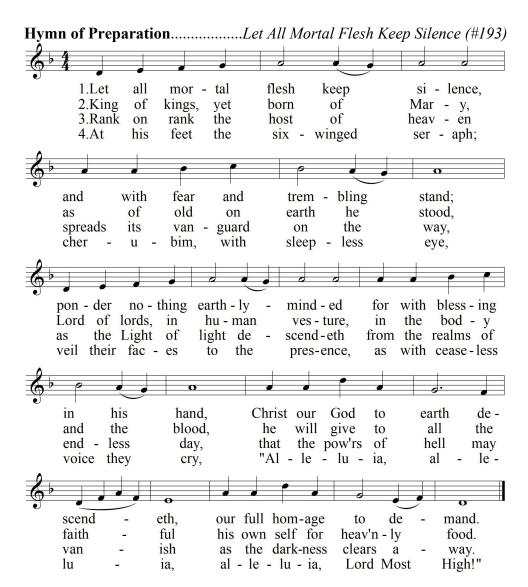
Reflection: "A good tree is recognized by its fruit; nonetheless, it is possible for pseudo-disciples to prophesy, cast out demons, or perform 'mighty works', all in Jesus' name, yet fail to do the Father's will. They may even call Jesus 'Lord and neither know him nor be known by him. This is not hypothetical; Judas prophesies and casts out demons, yet Jesus calls him a 'son of destruction.'"

Dan Doriani

Prelude	
Welcome	
Silent Prepa	aration
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.
Call to Wor	rship
Minister:	You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?
People:	You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again;
Minister:	From the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.
People:	You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.



Prayer of Adoration

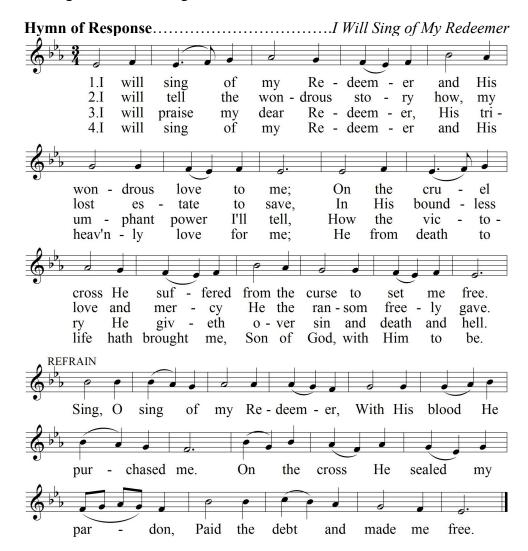


—WORSHIP IN CONFESSION AND PARDON-

And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men."

Prayer of Confession

Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.



Confession of Faith......Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 11-12
Pastoral Intern, Paul Yu

Intern: What are God's works of providence?

People: God's works of providence are, his most holy, wise, and

powerful preserving, and governing all his creatures,

and all their actions.

Intern: What special act of providence did God exercise toward

man in the estate wherein he was created?

People: When God had created man, he entered into a covenant

of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of

good and evil, upon the pain of death.

------WORSHIP AND THE MEANS OF GRACE-

The First Reading of God's Word......Psalm 5:1-12

The Second Reading of God's Word......Matthew 7:15-23

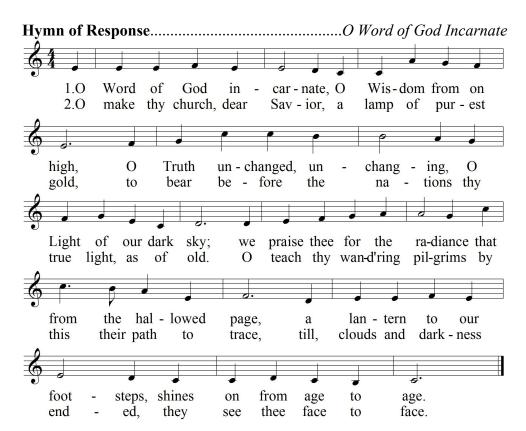
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Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Amen!

Prayer of Consecration

We offer an optional <u>Children's Lesson</u> for children 4 years old through 1st grade. If you choose to have your children participate, you may dismiss them for CL as we sing the hymn of response. Please know we welcome and encourage your children to remain with you during the sermon. However, in the CL they will be hearing from the same text that the sermon is based upon, so you may discuss the message as a family after church if you wish to do so.



THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please see instructions on the inside back cover of your bulletin.

Friends, remember this once for all, that a Christian may have as real communion with God in a heart-humbling way as he can have in a heart-comforting way; a Christian may have as choice communion with God when his eyes are full of tears as he can have when his heart is full of joy.

Thomas Brooks

Labor to maintain such a constant conversation with Him that when you die, you may change your place only but not your company.

Thomas Chase

The enjoyment of God is the only happiness with which our souls can be satisfied. To go to heaven, fully to enjoy God, is infinitely better than the most pleasant accommodations here. Fathers and mothers, husbands, wives, or children, or the company of earthly friends, are but shadows; but God is the substance. These are but scattered beams, but God is the sun. These are but streams. But God is the ocean.

Jonathan Edwards

Love is a commanding affection, a uniting grace; it draws all the faculties of the soul to one center. The soul that loves God, when it has to do with Him, is bound to the beloved object; it can mind nothing else during such impressions. When the affection is set to the worship of God, everything the soul has will be bestowed upon it.

Stephen Charnock

Christian contentment is that sweet, inward, quiet, gracious frame of spirit, freely submitting to and taking complacency in God's wise and fatherly dispose in every condition.

Jeremiah Burroughs

Communion Hymns

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place – E.E. Hewitt/Greg Thompson

1. My faith has found a resting place, From guilt my soul is free. I trust the Ever-living One, His wounds shall plead for me.

Chorus: I need no other argument, I need no other plea, It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.

2. My great physician heals the sick, The lost He came to save; For me His precious blood He shed, For me His life He gave. *Chorus*

- 3. My heart is leaning on the Word, The written Word of God, Salvation by my Savior's name, Salvation through His blood. *Chorus*
- 4. Enough for me that Jesus saves, This ends my fear and doubt; A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out. *Chorus*

Satisfied – Karl Digerness

1. All my life long, I had panted For a drink from some cool spring That I hoped would quench the burning Of the thirst I found within.

Chorus: Hallelujah! He has found me, The one my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings; Through his blood I now am saved.

2. Feeding on the filth around me 'Til my strength was almost gone. Longed my soul for something better, Only still to hunger on.

Chorus

- 3. Poor I was and sought for riches, Something that would satisfy. But the dust I gathered 'round me Only mocked my soul's sad cry. *Chorus*
- 4. Well of water, ever springing Bread of Life so rich and free. Untold wealth that never faileth, My Redeemer is to me. *Chorus*

Lift High the Cross (#263) -George W. Kitchin/Sydney H. Nicholson

Chorus: Lift high the cross, The love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred Name.

- 1. Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod, our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. *Chorus*
- 2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Chorus

- 3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw men unto thee. *Chorus*
- 4. Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

 Chorus
- 5. For thy blest Cross which doth for us atone creation's praises rise before thy throne.

 Chorus

-Worship in Gratitude-

(Please consider filling out your prayer request **now** and dropping it in the offering plate.)

Offertory......Not What My Hands Have Done

Not what my hands have done Can save my guilty soul;

Not what my toiling flesh has borne Can make my spirit whole.

Not what I feel or do

Can give me peace with God;

Not all my prayers, and sighs and tears

Can bear my awful load.

I praise the God of grace,
I trust His truth and might
He calls me His, I call Him mine,
My God, my joy, my light
'Tis He Who saveth me,
And freely pardon gives
I love because he loveth me,
I live because He lives!



-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 7:24-29

Financials

2023 Total Giving: \$795,788

Upcoming Events

Student Ministries of Grace (SMoG):

- Youth Group Study: We offer a study for our middle and high school students on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month (except the month of June) from 7:00-8:30pm here at the church. We enjoy fellowship, time in Scripture, and discuss select chapters from books pertaining to the particular Christian-living topics we are discussing that year.
- **Discipleship Groups:** We have intentional discipleship groups for both our middle and high school students. These groups typically meet the 2nd Wednesdays of each month. Please reach out to Paul Yu (interngcpcfw@gmail.com), if you're interested in having your student be a part of one of these groups.

Guys of Grace (GoG):

GoG Fellowship Nights: These bi-monthly fellowship nights are meant as an informal time for our guys to get together and discuss/do the things that interest them—theological discussion, sports, fire pit, pipe smoking, etc. These events are BYOB (Beef, Brew), and we will have the grills running. Our next fellowship night will be Friday, June 21st at 6:00pm at the church.

- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Contact Sean Henry for more information: seanph10@yahoo.com.
- Tuesday Morning Men's Prayer Meeting: 6:15am every Tuesday in the Conference Room.

Ladies of Grace (LoG):

• Ladies Spring/Summer Bible Study: Beginning this week! "Lessons from the Upper Room" on Ligonier Connect. The first week will cover Lesson 1: Foot Washing in Five Stages.

Two different groups will meet during the week:

- Tuesday 9:30-11:00am, in person with childcare; April 30
 July 23
- o Thursday 7:00-8:30pm ZOOM; May 2 July 25

Sign-ups available before and after church in the foyer. Contact Jen Smith for more information: 817-627-7655.

Missions of Grace (MoG)

- **Thank You**: Thank you for generously giving \$1000 towards missions at the Variety Show & Nacho Bar!
- **Isaiah 55:** Last call for Isaiah 55 mission trip to Reynosa, MX July 6-12. Contact Scott with questions and interest 940-577-7452.

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