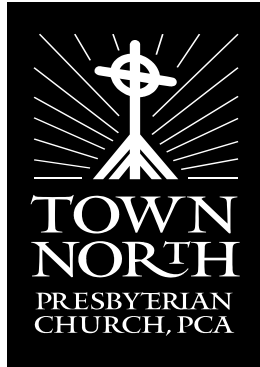


*Town North is a community of disciples
making disciples of Jesus.*



The Week's Order of
WORSHIP
for
THE LORD'S DAY

July 26, 2020 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

“If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God’s child, and having God as his Father. If this is not the thought that prompts and controls his worship and prayers and his whole outlook on life, it means that he does not understand Christianity very well at all.”

-J. I. Packer, *Knowing God*, London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1973, p. 182.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Andrew Cies

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Ephesians 1:3-6; 3:21

PASTOR: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

PEOPLE: **even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.**

PASTOR: In love, he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,

PEOPLE: **to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.**

ALL: **To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.**

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Congregation

Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God,
the Father of our Lord.
In Christ, he has in heav'nly realms,
his blessings on us poured.
For pure and blameless in his sight
he destined us to be,
and now we've been adopted through
his Son eternally.

Chorus

To the praise of your glory,
to the praise of your mercy and grace,
to the praise of your glory
you are the God who saves!

Come praise and glorify our God,
who gives his grace in Christ.
In him our sins are washed away
redeemed through sacrifice.
In him God has made known to us
the myst'ry of his will:
that Christ should be the head of all,
his purpose to fulfill.

Come praise and glorify our God,
for we've believed the Word
and through our faith we have a seal,
the Spirit of the Lord.
The Spirit guarantees our hope
until redemption's done,
until we join in endless praise
to God the Three in One.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Romans 8:13-15

PASTOR: For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 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!"

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: **O God, our Father, you tell us that in Christ Jesus you have adopted us as your children. Yet we often live like orphans in this world. We are filled with fears and worries, and find little comfort in knowing you are our father. Have mercy on us, O God, and remind us that you have adopted us as sons. By the power of your Holy Spirit, teach us to understand our identity as your children. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

*In these moments,
we individually come to God in prayer,
silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD

Romans 8:38-39

PASTOR: For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

* HYMN OF REFLECTION

Hymn 526 (vv 1-3)

Blessed Are the Sons of God

¹ Blessed are the sons of God,
they are bought with Christ's own blood;
they are ransomed from the grave,
life eternal they shall have:

Refrain

With them numbered may we be,
here and in eternity.

² They are justified by grace,
they enjoy the Savior's peace;
all their sins are washed away,
they shall stand in God's great day:

³ They are lights upon the earth,
children of a heav'nly birth;
one with God, with Jesus one,
glory is in them begun:

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 74

PASTOR: What is adoption?

ALL: Adoption is an act of the free grace of God, in and for his only Son Jesus Christ, whereby all those that are justified are received into the number of his children, have his name put upon them, the Spirit of his Son given to them, are under his fatherly care and dispensations, admitted to all the liberties and privileges of the sons of God, made heirs of all the promises, and fellow-heirs with Christ in glory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Isaac Grant Olles
covenant child of Tim & Elizabeth*

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 529 (vv 1-4)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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| <p>1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down:
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.</p> | <p>3 Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.</p> |
| <p>2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest:
take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.</p> | <p>4 Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be:
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.</p> |

Galatians 4:1-7

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ² but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³ In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

APPLYING GOD’S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

“It’s a Great Time to be a Child of God!”

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

THE LORD’S SUPPER

*(Please hold the elements until everyone is served.
Please place used cups in baskets in the narthex after the service.)*

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the Just is satisfied
to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb,
my perfect, spotless Righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die,
my soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Savior and my God,
with Christ, my Savior and my God.

* BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 6:16b, 18

PASTOR: "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them,
and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
and I will be a father to you,
and you shall be sons and daughters to me,"
says the Lord Almighty. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Sunday Worship Service—Sanctuary & by Livestream Officers Prayer for the Congregation Youth Event—TNPC Courtyard	10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom Conference	7:00 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events.

WORSHIP SERVICE

SANCTUARY (PUBLIC) AND BY LIVESTREAM

- ACCESS:** 1. Go to the Town North web site: www.tnpc.org
 2. Click on the button that says: **“Join TNPC Livestream Worship”**

{PUBLIC SERVICE OBSERVING COMMUNITY DISEASE (CORONAVIRUS) CONTROL GUIDELINES}

LEBANON PROJECT — If you would like to support Pastor Imad Aubrey’s ministry in Lebanon, please write checks payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with “Lebanon Project” on the memo line.

OUR TNPC MERCY MINISTRY — Is funded through the **“Deacons Fund”**. Your gracious donations specified **“Deacons Fund”** support our Deacons in bringing financial relief to members and others in special need. You may mail your check or make your donation via *PayPal* for this Sunday’s offering.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER

7:00 PM – BY ZOOM

Disciple Groups, Life-on-Life, Bible Studies,
 and other small groups are meeting
 by Zoom conferencing or in homes
at leader & group discretion.

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The following ministry activities
are CANCELLED for the weeks
to come until further notice:

- Children’s Sunday School
- Youth Sunday School
- Adult Sunday School
 & Inquirer’s Class
- Youth Group (Sunday night)
- Communicants Class
- Covenant Clubhouse
- Choir & Ensemble practices
- Visitors Lunch & Kid’s Lunch
- On-campus Bible Studies
 & Prayer Teams
- Evening Lord’s Supper services

Fiscal Year 2021	
Totals through July 19, 2020	
<i>(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)</i>	
General Fund Income	\$ 27,602
Designated Giving	\$ 13,320
Total Expenses	\$ 31,174
Net Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 9,748

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