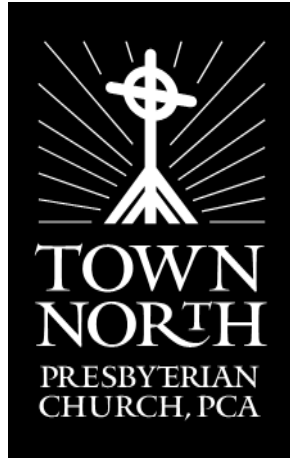


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making disciples of Jesus.*



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

February 7, 2021 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

“To forgive the incessant provocations of daily life—to keep on forgiving the bossy mother-in-law, the bullying husband, the nagging wife, the selfish daughter, the deceitful son—how can we do it? Only, I think, by remembering where we stand, by meaning our words when we say in our prayers each night, ‘Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us.’ We are offered forgiveness on no other terms. To refuse it is to refuse God’s mercy for ourselves. There is no hint of exceptions and God means what he says.”

-C. S. Lewis, *The Weight of Glory* (New York: Macmillan, 1947), 125.

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 David Rogers

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalms 32 & 33

PASTOR: Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

PEOPLE: **Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

PASTOR: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

PEOPLE: **Praise befits the upright.**

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 77 (vv 1-5)

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (Psalm 103)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who, like me, his praise should sing?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor
to our fathers in distress;
praise him, still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,
blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

* LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Matthew 6:14-15

PASTOR: For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

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

Luke 18:10-14

PASTOR: [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other."

* SONG OF REFLECTION

Ensemble & Congregation

I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)

I wait, my soul waits for the Lord,
my hope is in His word.
More than the watchman waits for dawn,
my soul waits for the Lord.

1 Out of the depths I cry to You,
in darkest places I will call;
incline Your ear to me anew,
and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

2 Were You to count my sinful ways,
how could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze;
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

Chorus

I will wait for You, I will wait for You;
on Your word, I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
till my soul is satisfied.

3 So put your hope in God alone;
take courage in His pow'r to save.
Completely and forever won
by Christ emerging from the grave.

Chorus

4 Now He has come to make a way,
and God Himself has paid the price,
that all who trust in Him today
find healing in His sacrifice.

Chorus

Final Chorus

I will wait for You, I will wait for You;
through the storm and through the night.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
for Your love is my delight.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 94 (vv 1-6)

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”

“When through the deep waters I call you to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.”

“When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”

“E’en down to old age all my people shall prove
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”

“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

* SCRIPTURE READING

David Hitt, Elder

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?”

²² Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.

²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.

²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But

when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ He

refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were

greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father

will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

Forgiveness is Next to Godliness

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Congregation

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord,
His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us.
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

Chorus (x 2)

* BENEDICTION

Revelation 1:5-6

PASTOR: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

“Forgiveness is Next to Godliness”

Matthew 18:21-35

Next Week:

Text: Matthew 19:1-12

Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

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ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Worship Service — <i>Sanctuary & by Livestream</i>	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Group — <i>Outside TNPC</i>	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies Morning Study — <i>by Zoom</i>	9:30 a.m.
	Session Meeting	6:00 p.m.
	Ladies Evening Study — <i>CE Rm 201 & by Zoom</i>	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer — <i>by Zoom</i>	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study — <i>by Zoom</i>	6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	Women's Prayer Brunch — <i>Outside TNPC</i>	10:00 a.m.

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

WORSHIP SERVICE

SANCTUARY AND BY LIVESTREAM

- LIVESTREAM ACCESS:**
1. Go to the Town North website: www.tnpc.org
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LEBANON PROJECT — 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.

SUPPORTING OUR MERCY MINISTRY — Your gracious donations, specified "Deacons Fund," allow our Deacons to bring financial relief to members and others in need.

WOMEN'S PRAYER BRUNCH — Please join us Saturday, February 13 at 10am to pray. Bring a chair and blanket and we will gather around our outdoor heater.

MTW VIRTUAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE — February 19 & 20. All are invited. There will be plenary sessions, music, mission stories, breakouts, and more. Sign up at mtw.org/vmc. Email matt.anderson@tnpc.org for more information.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP — The 2021 schedule for sanctuary flowers is in the narthex. Please sign up if you would like to purchase an arrangement (minimum cost is \$55). Contact Judy Dawson (judydawson46@gmail.com) for more information.

SESSION MEETING THIS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 — If you have questions or concerns, please contact Pastor Rogers at david.rogers@tnpc.org.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM — Beginning Thursday, February 11, John Ohanian will lead us through the book of Joel. Email the church office for the Zoom link: angie.dishman@tnpc.org.

Fiscal Year 2021

Totals through January 31, 2021

(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)

General Fund Income	\$ 808,319
Designated Giving	\$ 63,295
Total Expenses	\$ 554,756
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