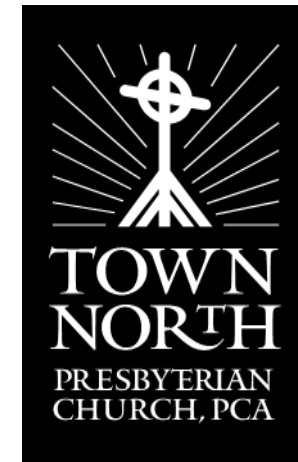


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making disciples of Jesus.*



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

July 14, 2024

WELCOME TO TOWN NORTH!

We are thankful that the Lord brought you to worship with us today! We know that there are no accidents, and God brought you here to enjoy him in worship this morning.

CHILDREN

Here at Town North, we take great joy in inviting children of all ages to join in our worship service alongside their parents. Crying and noisy children are welcome!

Feel free to use our cry room located in the back of the sanctuary or step out into the narthex if you need to take a short break.

Children's Activity Clipboards are available in the narthex for coloring or taking notes during the worship service. Please return the clipboard and crayons to the shelf after the service.

Families are welcome to use the Fellowship Hall as a space to watch their children (under the age of 4 years old) during the service. Parents are required to remain with their children.

CONNECT WITH US

Please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle, indicating your attendance with us this morning.

OFFERINGS

Giving is an act of worship. We return a portion of what we have to our Heavenly Father to demonstrate we are not our own, but belong, body and soul, to Him. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

Please deposit your offerings in the designated boxes in the Narthex or online through the PCA Foundation using this QR code:



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PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Andrew Cies, Associate Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Andrew Cies, Associate Pastor

from Psalm 25

LEADER: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.

PEOPLE: **Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my Salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.**

LEADER: Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

PEOPLE: **He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.**

LEADER: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

PEOPLE: **The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.**

ALL: **To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.**

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Andrew Cies, Associate Pastor

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 53—Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his
 fend - thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with
 dore him! All that hath life and breath,

he is thy health and sal - va - tion!
 wings, yea, so gent - ly sus - tain - eth!
 mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee;
 lov - ing hand guid - ed and stayed thee.
 come now with prais - es be - fore him!

All ye who hear, now to his tem - ple draw
 Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have
 pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y will
 How oft in grief hath not he brought thee re -
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a -

near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
 We confess that we have worshiped all too many other gods. We have devoted ourselves to the values of the world. Turn our hearts to you again!
 We confess that we have tried to find the sources of life in all too many other places. We have tried to prove ourselves righteous before you through our own efforts.
 But now we turn to you, the true giver of life, remembering that you are our God, and we are your people. Grant us wholeness and holiness, and a righteousness that we receive by faith in Christ.
 All honor and glory be to you, forever and ever. 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 FORGIVENESS

Andrew Cies, Associate Pastor

Romans 4:13, 16-17; 5:1

LEADER: For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith.
 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.
 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 257—Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him
 2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there
 3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup -
 4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the

dy - ing on the tree!
 ev - er grief like his?
 pose the e - vil great
 ref - uge of the lost;

'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my
Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in -
 here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its
Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the

soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
 sult - ing his dis - tress;
 guilt may es - ti - mate.
 name of which we boast.

'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's
man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would
 Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who
 Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri -

son, yet Da - vid's Lord;
 in - ter - pose to save;
 bears the aw - ful load;
 fice to can - cel guilt!

by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the
but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the
 'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of
 None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on

true and faith - ful Word.
 stroke that Jus - tice gave.
 Man and Son of God.
 him their hope have built.

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* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 60

LEADER: How are you righteous before God?

ALL: **Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.
 Even though my conscience accuses me
 of having grievously sinned against all God's
 commandments,
 of never having kept any of them,
 and of still being inclined toward all evil,
 nevertheless,
 without any merit of my own,
 out of sheer grace,
 God grants and credits to me
 the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of
 Christ,
 as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner,
 and as if I had been as perfectly obedient
 as Christ was obedient for me.
 All I need to do
 is accept this gift with a believing heart.**

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Jesus, I Come



1. Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night, Je - sus, I come;
 2. Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss, Je - sus, I come;
 3. Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride, Je - sus, I come;
 4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I come;



Je - sus, I come. In - to thy free - dom, glad ness, and light,
 Je - sus, I come. In - to the glo - rious gain of thy cross,
 Je - sus, I come. In - to thy bless - ed will to a - bide,
 Je - sus, I come. In - to the joy and light of thy home,



Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of my sick - ness in - to thy
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of earth's sor - rows in - to thy
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of my - self to dwell in thy
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of the depths of ru - in un -



health, Out of my want - ing and in - to thy wealth, out of my
 balm, Out of life's storms and in - to thy calm, out of dis -
 love, Out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove, up - ward for -
 told, In - to the peace of thy shel - ter - ing fold, ev - er thy



sin and in - to thy - self, Je - sus, I come to thee.
 tress in - to jub - i - lant psalm, Je - sus, I come to thee.
 ev - er on wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come to thee.
 glo - rious face to be - hold, Je - sus, I come to thee.

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Genesis 15

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." ⁴ And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." ⁵ And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

⁷ And he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess." ⁸ But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹ He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ And he brought him all these, cut them in half, and laid each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half. ¹¹ And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him. ¹³ Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. ¹⁴ But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. ¹⁵ As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. ¹⁶ And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these

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pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates, ¹⁹ the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites, the Kadmonites, ²⁰ the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, ²¹ the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites and the Jebusites.”

LEADER: This is the Word of the LORD.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

APPLYING GOD’S WORD

Graham Clark, Youth Pastor

“Our Faithful Covenant God”


THE LORD'S SUPPER

Grape juice is in the purple cups in the center of the tray. Wine is in the clear cups around the outside of the tray. The matzo bread is gluten free.

Please hold the elements until everyone is served. Used cups may be placed in the baskets after the service.

* RESPONDING IN SONG


Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder




1. Let us love and sing and won - der,
 2. *Let us love the Lord who bought us,*
 3. Let us sing though fierce temp - ta - tion
 4. *Let us won - der and grace and jus - tice*
 5. Let us praise and join the cho - rus




let us praise the Sa - vior's name,
pit - ied us when en - e - mies,
 threat - en hard to bear us down
join and point to mer - cy's store
 of the saints en - throned on high,




he has hushed the law's loud thun - der,
called us by his grace and taught us
 for the Lord, our strong sal - va - tion,
when through grace in Christ our trust is,
 here they trust - ed him be - fore us,




he has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame.
gave us ears and gave us eyes.
 holds in the view the con - qu'ror's crown.
Jus - tice smiles and asks no more.
 now their prais - es fill the sky.




He has washed us with his blood,
He has washed us with his blood,
 He who washed us with his blood,
He who washed us with his blood,
 Thou hast washed us with thy blood,



he has washed us with his blood,
he has washed us with his blood,
 he who washed us with his blood,
he who washed us with his blood,
 thou hast washed us with thy blood,



he has washed us with his blood,
he has washed us with his blood,
 he who washed us with his blood,
he who washed us with his blood,
 thou hast washed us with thy blood,



he has brought us night to God.
he pre - sents our souls to God.
 soon will bring us home to God.
has se - cured our way to God.
 thou art worth - y, Lamb of God.

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* BENEDICTION

Graham Clark, Youth Pastor

Numbers 6:24-26

PASTOR: The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to
you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you
peace. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

Next Week:

TEXT: *Romans 9:9-13*

PREACHER: David Rogers, Senior Pastor
