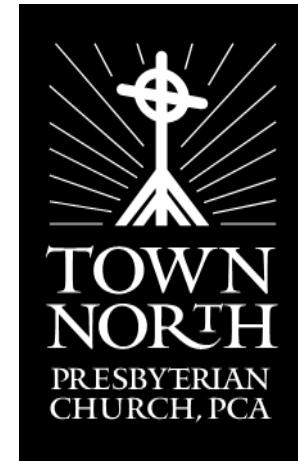


*Town North is a community of disciples  
making disciples of Jesus.*



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

*January 12, 2025*

## 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.

Nursery is available for children up to 3 years old on the first floor in the Christian Education Building.

## 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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## REFLECTION

*“The road to the Kingdom is not so pleasant, and comfortable, and easy, and flowery, as many dream. It is not a bright sunny avenue of palms. It is not paved with triumph, though it is to end in victory. The termination is glory, honor, and immortality; but on the way, there is the thorn in the flesh, the sackcloth, and the cross. Recompense later; but labor here! Rest later; but weariness here! Joy and security later; but here endurance and watchfulness – the race, the battle, the burden, the stumbling block, and oftentimes the heavy heart.”*

-Horatius Bonar, *The Surety's Cross*, Family Sermons, Sermon 20, 1873.

## PRELUDE

*Lynna Harbison*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Graham Clark, Youth Pastor*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Graham Clark, Youth Pastor

**Hebrews 1:3-6; Revelation 5:11-13**

LEADER: He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be to him a father,  
and he shall be to me a son”?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God’s angels worship him.”

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

PEOPLE: **“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!”**

LEADER: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

PEOPLE: **“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might  
forever and ever!”**

\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Graham Clark, Youth Pastor

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

**Hymn 4—All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above**



1. All praise to God, who reigns a - bove,  
2. *What* God's al - might - y pow'r hath made  
4. The Lord for - sak - eth not his flock,  
5. *Ye* who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name,  
6. Then come be - fore his pre - sence now



the God of all cre - a - tion, the God of won -  
*his* gra - cious mer - cy keep - eth; by morn - ing dawn  
his cho - sen gen - er - a - tion; he is their ref -  
to God give praise and glo - ry! Ye who the Fa -  
and ba - nish fear and sad - ness; to your Re - deem -



ders, pow'r, and love, the God of our sal - va - tion!  
*or* eve - ning shade his watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth;  
uge and their rock, their peace and their sal - va - tion.  
*ther's* pow'r pro - claim! to God give praise and glo - ry!  
er pay your vow and sing with joy and glad - ness:



With heal - ing balm my soul he fills, the God who ev -  
*with* - in the king - dom of his might, lo, all is just -  
As with a moth - er's ten - der hand he leads his own,  
All i - dols un - der - foot be trod, the Lord is God!  
Though great dis - tress my soul be - fell, the Lord, my God,



ery sor - row stills. To God all praise and glo - ry!  
*and* all is right. To God all praise and glo - ry!  
his cho - sen band. To God all praise and glo - ry!  
The Lord is God! To God all praise and glo - ry!  
did all things well. To God all praise and glo - ry!

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Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, Bohemian Brethren's *Gesangbuch*, 1566. Public Domain.

## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**ALL:** Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you  
with our whole heart.  
We have failed to be an obedient church.  
We have not done your will, we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love.  
We have not loved our neighbors, and we have failed to  
proclaim your gospel.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

*Graham Clark, Youth Pastor*

### **Hebrews 1:3-4**

**LEADER:** He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of  
his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his  
power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the  
right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much  
superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more  
excellent than theirs.

## \* HYMN OF RESPONSE

### *Hymn 246—Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

1. Man of Sor - rows! what a name for the Son of  
2. Bear - ing shame and scoff - ing rude, in my place con -  
3. Guilt - y, vile, and help - less, we; spot - less Lamb of  
4. Lift - ed up was he to die, "It is fin - ished!"  
5. When he comes, our glo - rious King, all his ran - somed

God, who came ru - ined sin - ners to re - claim:  
demned he stood, sealed my par - don with his blood:  
God was he; full a - tone - ment! can it be?  
was his cry; now in heav'n ex - alt - ed high:  
home to bring, then a - new this song we'll sing:

Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!

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## PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*David Rogers, Senior Pastor*

\* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Graham Clark, Youth Pastor

**Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 38  
(Modern English Version)**

**LEADER:** Why did the mediator have to be God?  
**PEOPLE:** **The mediator had to be God  
so that he might sustain and keep  
his human nature from sinking  
under the infinite wrath of God  
and power of death;  
that he might make his  
suffering, obedience, and intercession  
of real value and effect;  
and that, in order to satisfy God's justice,  
he might gain God's favor,  
purchase his very own people,  
give his Spirit to them,  
conquer all their enemies,  
and bring them to everlasting salvation.**

\* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Glorious and Mighty**

1. Maj - es - ty,                      Your glo - ry is shin - ing  
2. Maj - es - ty,                      You fash - ioned the heav - ens,  
3. Maj - es - ty,                      we'll sing with cre - a - tion

bright - er than                      the moon and the stars.  
Your de - crees                      can nev - er be changed.  
when You come                      a - gain in the clouds.

Mar - vel - ing,                      we ho - nor and fear You a -  
O - ver all                      the plans of the na - tions Your  
Ev - ery knee                      will bow down and wor - ship the

bove all gods.  
judg - ments reign.  
one true God.

**CHORUS**

Glo - ri - ous and might - y,                      You're awe - some in beau - ty,  
joy - ful songs                      we raise.

Glo - ri - ous and might - y,                      You're awe - some in beau - ty,  
great - ly                      to be praised.

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**Hebrews 1:1-14**

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

<sup>5</sup> For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be to him a father,  
and he shall be to me a son”?

<sup>6</sup> And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God’s angels worship him.”

<sup>7</sup> Of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels winds,  
and his ministers a flame of fire.”

<sup>8</sup> But of the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,  
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom.  
<sup>9</sup> You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;  
therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

<sup>10</sup> And,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

<sup>11</sup> they will perish, but you remain;  
they will all wear out like a garment,

<sup>12</sup> like a robe you will roll them up,  
like a garment they will be changed.

But you are the same,  
and your years will have no end.”

<sup>13</sup> And to which of the angels has he ever said,

“Sit at my right hand  
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”?

<sup>14</sup> Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

LEADER: This is the Word of the LORD.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

**“Jesus: Better Than Angels”**

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*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

**To Christ, the Lord, Let Every Tongue**



1. To Christ the Lord let ev - 'ry tongue, its nob - lest tri - bute bring  
 2. He saw me plunged in deep dis - tress, he fled to my re - lief  
 3. To him I owe my life and breath and all the joys I have.  
 4. Since from his boun - ty I re - ceive such proofs of love di - vine,



when he's the sub - ject of the song, who can re - fuse to sing?  
 for me he bore the shame - ful cross, and car - ried all my grief;  
 He makes me tri - umph o - ver death and saves me from the grave;  
 had I a thou - sand hearts to give, Lord, they would all be thine;



Sur - vey the beau - ties of his face, and on his glo - ries dwell,  
 his hand a thou - sand bless - ings pours, up - on my guil - ty head,  
 to Heav'n the place of his a - bode, he brings my wea - ry feet,  
 a thou - sand men could not com - pose a wor - thy song to bring,



think of the won - der of his grace, and all his tri - umphs tell.  
 his pre - sence gilds my dark - est hours, and guards my sleep - ing bed.  
 shows me the glo - ries of my God and makes my joy com - plete.  
 yet your love is a mel - o - dy our hearts can't help but sing.

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\* BENEDICTION

*David Rogers, Senior Pastor*

***Jude 1:24-25***

PASTOR: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

*Lynna Harbison*

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***Next Week:***

TEXT: *Hebrews 2:1-9*

PREACHER: David Rogers, Senior Pastor

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