# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JANUARY 8, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

### The Announcements

*Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:* 

The Prelude

\*The Call to Worship

- \*The Hymn of Praise No. 474 ...... "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!"
- \*The Prayer of Adoration
- - A. Christ ascended to heaven, there to show that he is head of his church, the one through whom the Father governs all things.
  - Q. How does this glory of Christ our head benefit us?
  - A. First, through his Holy Spirit he pours out gifts from heaven upon us his members. Second, by his power he defends us and preserves us from all enemies.

 $\sim$  God Calls His People to Confess Their Sins  $\sim$ 

#### Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!

ð L pet, blow! The glad - ly 1. Blow the trum sol - emn sound ye 2. Je sus, our great High Priest, has full a - tone - ment made; -3. Ex the God, the sac - ri - fi - cial Lamb; tol Lamb of 4. Ye lib - er slaves of and hell, your ceive; sin ty re 6 let all the na - tions know, to earth's re - mot - est bound: ye wea - ry spir - its, rest; ye mourn - ful souls, be glad: claim: demp - tion through his blood through - out the world re \_ pro -Je dwell, and blest Je live: safe in - sus in sus and REFRAIN The year of ju bi lee is come; re - turn, ye ran - somed sin - ners, home; re turn, ye ran - somed sin - ners, home. 5. Ye who have sold for naught 6. The gospel trumpet hear, the news of heav'nly grace; your heritage above, receive it back unbought, and, saved from earth, appear

The LORD has anointed me ... to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor. Is. 61:1, 2

Charles Wesley, 1750 Alt. 1961

(Refrain)

the gift of Jesus' love:

LENOX 6.6.6.6.ref. Louis Edson, 1782

before your Savior's face:

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## The Confession of Sin

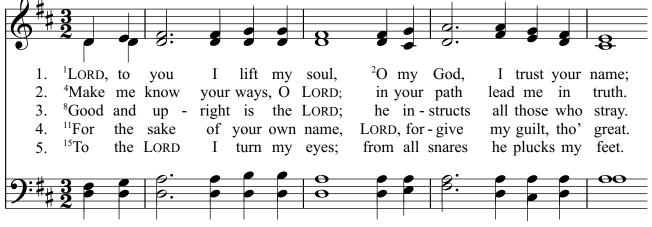
Most merciful God, whose eyes are too pure to behold iniquity, but who has promised forgiveness to all who confess and forsake their sins through Jesus Christ; we come before You, in a humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our many transgressions of Your righteous laws. We have done those things which we ought not to have done; and we have not done those things which we ought to have done. But, O Gracious Father, who delights to show mercy, look upon us with Your mercy and forgive us all our sins. Make us to feel deeply the great evil of them. Please work in us a true penitence that we may always obtain forgiveness at Your hand, for You are ever ready to show mercy to humble and penitent sinners, for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Redeemer.

# **The Silent Confession**

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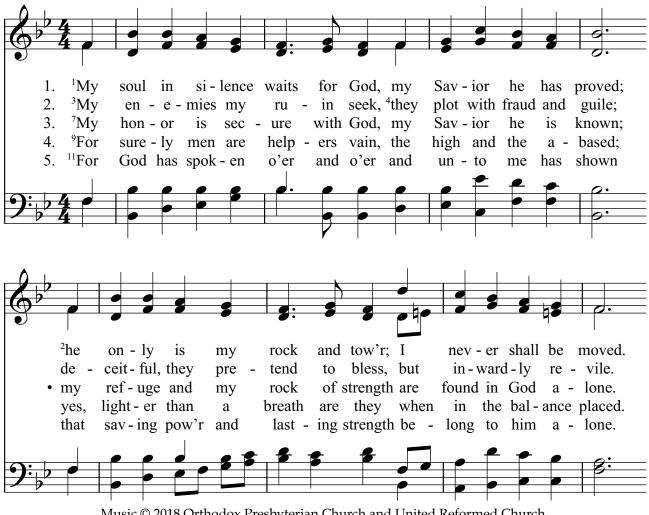
~ We Respond to God's Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~





<sup>19</sup>See how many are my foes, see the vi'lence of their hate.
<sup>20</sup>Guard my soul! Deliver me! Let me not be put to shame,
<sup>21</sup>since I wait for you, O LORD. May my uprightness prevail.
<sup>22</sup>From his troubles, gracious God, O redeem your Israel.

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.



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#### SERMON NOTES

\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 521 ......"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" \*The Benediction \*The Response No. 735 ....."The Gloria Patri"

THE WAY OF SALVATION:

521

#### My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 3:11 Capo 3: F(D) C(A) F(D) Bb(G) hope is built noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood 1. My on and 2. When dark-ness veils his love - ly face, Ι rest on his un nant, his blood 3. His oath, his cov - e sup port me in the -4. When he shall come with trum-pet sound, 0 may Ι then in F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) I the sweet - est frame, righ - teous - ness; dare not trust but ev ery high and storm - y gale, my chang - ing grace; in whelm - ing flood; all a - round my he when soul gives way, him `be found; dressed in his righ - teous ness a - lone, fault г REFRAIN F(D) Bþ(G) C(A) Je - sus' name. whol-ly lean on an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all then is all my hope and stay. to stand be - fore the throne. less F(D) (A) 0 F(D) B♭(G) F(D) C<sup>7</sup>(A<sup>7</sup>) ٦ FID sink - ing sand. oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is

SOLID ROCK L.M.ref. William B. Bradbury, 1863

Edward Mote, 1834

#### **Rev. David Stoddard**

David, son of a PCA church-planter, was raised in Louisiana and Tennessee. Christ captured his heart in high school while he was participating in short-term mission trips, and David has felt called to missions ever since. At King College in Tennessee, he majored in political science and modern foreign languages, earned a Masters of Divinity degree from Westminster Theological Seminary in California, and a ThM from WTS in Philadelphia.

David serves as the international director for Europe, overseeing MTW's vision, values, and personnel in Europe. David and Eowyn joined MTW's church-planting movement in eastern Berlin in 2001. Over the past 20 years, Team Berlin has been involved in planting five churches and a campus of Martin Bucer Seminary.

Eowyn is the daughter of MTW missionaries who served in France. She came to faith at a young age and sensed a call to missions in her late teens. She majored in German language and literature at Wellesley College and obtained a Masters in Biblical Studies from Westminster Seminary, where she met David. They were married in December of 1997. She assists David in his role and supports church-planting through evangelism, teaching, and outreach to refugees.

Jesse (10/20/98), Liam (6/15/00), Alethea (8/16/02), Emma (2/4/05), Ethan (5/8/06).

#### **Revised Midweek Activities for 2023**

Beginning January 11, 2023 the adult class will transition to a time of singing, teaching, and prayer.

The teaching will center on the prayers of the Bible led by the elders of the congregation. Our hope is the largest portion of this time on Wednesday nights will be spent in prayer together in order to encourage deeper, more biblically rooted, and more intentional prayer together as a congregation.

As the Session took stock of the activities of the congregation now versus in times past, we noticed the number of opportunities for corporate prayer are significantly fewer than in years past. We believe the "prayer meeting" is the "engine room" of the local congregation. Please join us on Wednesday nights as we spend more time praying together.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 8, 2023

- + Midweek activities resume at 5:55 p.m. this Wednesday with a covered-dish supper. Please bring a dish to share.
- + The church "Undecorating Party" will be Wednesday, January 11. Please see Mary Lou Wilson if you are interested in helping.
- + Evening worship resumes tonight at 6:00 p.m. The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening Worship on January 15.
- + The Session has called a Congregation Information Meeting for January 15 after morning worship to update the congregation on the budget and other activities for 2023. The meeting is not planned to last more than 45 minutes.

# Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting FPFO to 84576.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: office@fpfo.org.
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the plates, mailing a check to the church office, or online: <u>FPFO.org/give</u>.

| FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule   |  |
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| The Lord's Day  | Wednesday  |
| 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time   | 9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting   |
| 9:45 a.m. Sunday School   | 5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper  |
| 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  | 6:45-7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting  |
| 5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast  | 6:30-7:30 p.m. KidsQuest (children)  |
| WAAK 94.7 FM  | 6:45-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies   |
| 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship   | The Gospel of John   |
| (excluding First Sundays)   | On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays there is outreach at the Crossings Apts. |
| Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under. |  |
| Jan. 8: Sarah Wilson & C. Rowan   | Jan. 15: B. Rowan & M. Tuggle  |