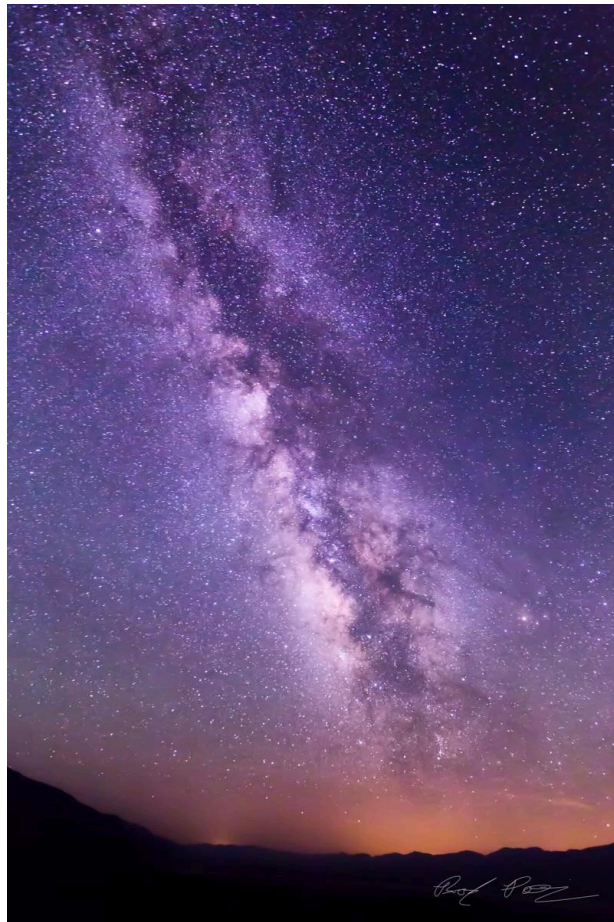


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REFORMED FELLOWSHIP



SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

19 JANUARY 2025

Almighty God, though we see and hear so many testimonies of your glory every day,
we can be so blind and shut out all the light by our ingratitude.
Teach us to open our eyes. Yes, open them by your Spirit!
Help us to spend time thinking on how many, how great,
and how deep are your blessings toward us.
And while you set before us the proof of your eternal divinity,
help us to excel in this school of devotion.
May we learn to give you all praise, until there is nothing left to do but to glorify you alone.
May we all the more grow in our ardent desire to worship you,
the more you bend down to us in grace.
May we also devote ourselves to you and grow to care about this one thing:
that your glory may remain and shine forth throughout all the world,
through Christ our Lord, amen.

**“Teach Us in the School of Praise”
John Calvin**

“In worship we must seek to reflect back to God by our response
the knowledge that we have received of him through his revelation.
God is a Spirit infinitely happy, therefore we must approach him with cheerfulness;
he is a Spirit of infinite majesty, therefore we must come before him with reverence;
he is a Spirit infinitely high, therefore we must offer up our sacrifices with deepest humility;
he is a Spirit infinitely holy, therefore we must address him with purity.”

JI Packer

PRELUDE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

“And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.” (Genesis 17:7)

- **Iris Jade Martin**, daughter of Dakota and Charlee Martin
- **Cedar James Martin**, son of Dakota and Charlee Martin

Congregation Response – “I Bind unto Myself Today,” v. 9 (for music, see #794)

9. I bind unto myself today,
The strong name of the Trinity:
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One and One in Three,
Of Whom all nature hath creation,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
Praise to the Lord of my salvation
Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

“...all who believed were together and had all things in common.” (Acts 2:44)

- **The Martins:** Dakota, Charlee, Iris, & Cedar

PREPARATION

For Preparation

“Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!”
(Psalm 96:9)

The Gloria Patri –with uplifted hands–

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.

THE LORD CALLS US

The Call to Worship

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!**

Know that the Lord, he is God!

**It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

**and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name**

For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm – “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” (304)

WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

Corporate Prayer of Confession (from Isaiah 53)

Lord Jesus, the horror of your crucifixion is a fixed reminder of how awful and our deadly sin truly is.

**For you were *pierced* for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities**

Yet, like sheep that go astray, we have sinned against you even this week, sometimes intentionally, at other times carelessly and casually, forgetful of your sufferings on the cross.

We are ashamed of our sin. Forgive us, Lord Jesus.

Even more, you went to the cross willingly
– like a lamb to slaughter – to bear our iniquities that we might be accounted,
not just forgiven, but righteous in the sight of your Father.

We are amazed at your grace. Forgive us, Lord Jesus.

Franklin Kyrie

The musical score for 'Franklin Kyrie' is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. Chords are indicated above the vocal line. The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy; have mer-cy, Lord. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer-cy; have mer - cy, Lord. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy; have mer - cy, Lord.'

Music: Gregory D. Wilbur, 2009 © wilburmusic.com
Text: Traditional

Silent Prayers of Confession –kneeling, if able–

Assurance of Pardon – John 3:16-17

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Sursum Corda

So, lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

THE LORD CONSECRATES US

Sanctus



with vigor
fff Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts! Hea-ven and earth are
full of Your glo-ry! Ho - san-na in the High - est! Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the High - est.

Profession of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hades. On the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic refers to the universal collection of God’s people throughout all time and from all places.

The Westminster Shorter Catechism: #7-8

Q. 7. What are the decrees of God?

A. The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

Q. 8. How doth God execute his decrees?

A. God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.

Psalm – “Before Thee Let My Cry Come Near” (380)

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62:1–5

*The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!***

New Testament Reading: John 2:1–11

*The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!***

Hymn – “Before the Lord We Bow” (841)

Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

*When you hear, “Lord, in your mercy,” please respond with: “**Hear our prayer.**”*

Sermon – “The Gospel Logic of the Liturgy”

Leviticus 9:15-18, 22-24

Pastor Brooks Potteiger

The Lord’s Prayer (see #1108 for music)

Our Father, which 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.

TITHES AND TRIBUTE OFFERINGS

Generous and loving God,
We bring you our tithes and offerings
With glad and grateful hearts.
Guide us as stewards of your abundance,

**For the glory of Christ and the good of our neighbor.
Amen.**

Hymn of the Month – “Blessed City, Heavenly Salem” (1027)

Hymn – “Thou True Vine, That Heals the Nations” (709)

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Words of Institution and the Lord’s Table

The Lord’s Supper is a sacramental family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians, who are in good standing at a church that proclaims the gospel, to the table. By coming, you acknowledge that you have trusted in Christ alone for your justification before God, that you are currently at peace with God and neighbor, and that you are seeking to grow daily in holiness. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Brooks.

THE BREAD – “In Christ Alone” (see next page)

To display our unity, please wait to eat the bread until instructed.

In Christ Alone

Capo 3: G D G A D/F# G A D

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, Full-ness of God in help - less babe.
 3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain.
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me.

G D G A D/F# G A D

This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 This gift of love and right - eous - ness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
 Then burst - ing forth in glor - ious day, Up from the grave He rose a - gain.
 From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.

G D/F# Asus A D G Bm Asus A

What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died, The wrath of God was sat - is - fied,
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 No pow'r of Hell, no scheme of man, Can ev - er pluck me from His hand;

G D G A D/F# G A D

My Com - fort - er, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 For I am His, and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
 Till He re - turns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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 Text: Stuart Townend, 1995 © 1995, Thankyou Music [admin. Capitol CMG Publishing]

[In Christ alone]
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THE WINE

We pass the wine with "the peace of Christ." You are welcome to drink the wine immediately and to fellowship freely during this time. If juice is desired, it will be the lighter liquid in the tray.

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

Commissioning Hymn – “How Great Thou Art” (552)

Charge and Benediction (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

“Now may the God of peace himself
sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body
be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.”

Closing Doxology –with uplifted hands–

Doxology

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. Above the staff, guitar chords are indicated: G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, D, Em, C, G, D. The lyrics for the first system are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here be - low;". The second system also has a treble clef staff with the same key signature and time signature. Above the staff, guitar chords are indicated: Em, D, G, D, G, C, D, G, D, Am, G, D, G, C, G. The lyrics for the second system are: "Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men." The bass clef staff in both systems provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551
Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

OLD 100th
8 8 . 8 8 .

Pastor: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

For Family Worship

Daily Catechesis

- **Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism:** #7-8 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- **Hymn of the Week:** “**In Christ Alone**” (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Memory Verse of the Week:** “All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.” (Psalm 25:10)
- **Prayer:** “Teach Us in the School of Praise” (John Calvin) (see liturgy, pg. 1)

Prayer Requests

Current

- Praise for the safe delivery of Wycliffe Carter,
- Praise for the provision of the incredible technology at Vanderbilt that continues to incubate his little frame for the months to come.
- Praise for the peace from the Spirit upon Elijah and Holly, and prayers that it would continue
- For the pregnant mothers nearing their due date, and those with higher risk, thinking especially of the Carters and the challenges they’re facing
- Continued transitional grace as Sharon and Mark Haney have welcomed her mother into their home to help care for her
- For Pete as his confirmation hearing takes place this week. Peace and protection over he and Jen, and over the larger Hegseth home
- Prayer for the Haymes as they look towards Caleb’s kidney transplant. Peace, logistical grace, and for skillful medical care.

Ongoing

- For a teaching elder for the new CREC plant in Columbia, King’s Cross Reformed Church
- Favor and wisdom for those who have businesses, or are dreaming of starting one.
- For Burke Shade, an elder at St. Mark (and currently on our session) whose cancer has come back. Pray that the upcoming treatments will be successful, and for peace for him and his family.
- For those who are waiting to hear back about job promotions, and the opening of other vocational doors. May the Lord bless us with productive plows and fruitful fields.
- For a permanent building.
- For repentance, reformation and revival to grow in our land.
- For salvation for extended family members who have not turned to Christ.
- For healing for all who are suffering from physical ailments.
- For the ministries we financially support:
 - Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy: Provision, protection, and wisdom
 - The Joint Eastern European Project (J.E.E.P.): See their website for current prayer requests
 - Recovery Refuge House in Ridgetop

Upcoming Events

PARISH GROUPS - launching the third week of January

- Purpose: to facilitate greater fellowship amongst geographically-connected saints
- Accomplished primarily through bi-weekly meetings for table fellowship, prayer, singing, and typically sermon-based questions or a series-guided study
- The 1st and 3rd Wednesday or Thursday evening of the month*
- Groups
 - **Goodlettsville - the Potteigers (Weds)**
 - **Ridgetop - the Lums (Weds)**
 - **Whites Creek/S. Goodlettsville - the Tawlks/Coppers (Weds)**
 - **North - hosted by the Pitts (Thurs)**
- Use QR code below to get connected in one
- *days subject to change for some groups

JANUARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **“How to Save the World in 11 Simple Steps”** by Douglas Wilson
- January 12, 19, and 26 from 9-9:45am on Lord’s day
- Hot coffee, warm fellowship, rich teaching and discussion!

JANUARY

23rd - Festal Shout!

- Thursday from 6-8pm at the church
- Pizza dinner followed by musical training!

FEBRUARY

1st - Men’s Prayer Breakfast

- 9-11am at the Brookshire
- Breakfast provided
- Stonewall Lecture #2: Prayer

27th - Festal Shout!

MARCH

7/8th - The Christian Family Seminar

- At JECA, featuring Pastor Bill Smith
- Friday 6-8pm; Saturday 9-11, followed by lunch (provided)
- Childcare provided

27th - Festal Shout!

OTHER

Monthly Fellowship Meals

- First Sunday of every month
- Immediately following the service at the church
- No Sunday School on these days
- **If you would like to serve on the fellowship team, email Sharon Haney at daylily1980@comcast.net**

Men’s Book Study

- *The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis
- Fridays at 6:15am @ the Brookshire

***Women’s Book Study: My Dear Hemlock*, by Tilly Dillehay**

- Hosted by Jennifer Smith on select Saturdays, from 9-11am
- Schedule:
 - Feb 8- letters 8-15
 - March 1- letters 16-23
 - March 20 - letters 24-29

Upcoming Women’s Park Meetups:

- Check Signal for details and changes!

Officers:

The Session:

- Pastor Brooks Potteiger – brooks@pilgrimhill.church
- The Session of St. Mark Reformed (pro tempore) – stmarkreformed.com/contact

The Diaconate:

- Chris Boyd
- Nathan Haney
- Shelvy Huffman

Add info to digital directory:



To connect to Pilgrim Hill on the Sing Your Part app:



For the church website & calendar:



Meal sign-up for Recovery Refuge:



Sermon Notes

WE AT PILGRIM HILL are striving to cultivate sturdy, maturing Christians across generations for the glory of the Lord and the gladdening expansion of His Kingdom.