

Pilgrim Hill

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SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

16 FEBRUARY 2025

PRAYER
“Bounty”
(from *The Valley of Vision*)

THOU GREAT AND ONLY POTENTATE,
Thou hast made summer and winter,
day and night;
each of these revolutions serves our welfare
and is full of thy care and kindness.
Thy bounty is seen
in the relations that train us,
the laws that defend us,
the homes that shelter us,
the food that builds us,
the raiment that comforts us,
the continuance of our health, members,
senses, understanding, memory,
affection, will.
But as stars fade before the rising sun,
thou hast eclipsed all these benefits
in the wisdom and grace that purposed
redemption by Jesus thy Son.
Blessed be thy mercy that laid help on
one that is mighty and willing,
one that is able to save to the uttermost.
Make us deeply sensible of our need of his
saving grace,
of the blood that cleanses,
of the rest he has promised.
And impute to us that righteousness which
justifies the guilty,
gives them a title to eternal life,
and possession of the Spirit.
May we love the freeness of salvation,
and joy in its holiness;
Give us faith to grasp thy promises,
that are our hope,
provide for every exigency,
and prevent every evil;
Keep our hearts from straying after forbidden
pleasures;
May thy will bind all our wishes;
Let us live out of the world as to its spirit,
maxim, manners,
but live in it as the sphere of our action
and usefulness;
May we be alive to every call of duty,
accepting without question
thy determination of our circumstances
and our service.

PRELUDE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PREPARATION

For Preparation

“Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.”
(Psalm 103:22)

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!

From Psalm 136

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
It is he who remembered us in our low estate,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
and rescued us from our foes,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
he who gives food to all flesh,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of heaven,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Hymn – “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (553)

WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Our faithful God and Father, we acknowledge before you that we are guilty and deserving of punishment. Our very nature is prone to hate you and our neighbors. We cannot, of ourselves, obey your commands, but we confess our inability and our need for your grace.

Forgive us, for we do not deserve your kindness but only your just judgment.

Yet, because you are gracious, and because Christ has borne our guilt and punishment on the cross, we come to you in humble repentance.

**Renew us, O God, by your Holy Spirit,
Grow our affections for Christ and His Word.
That we may bear in keeping with repentance.**

Franklin Kyrie

The musical score for 'Franklin Kyrie' is presented in three systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a guitar line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. 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.' The guitar chords are indicated above the vocal line: Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Gm, Am, Dm for the first system; Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Gm, Am, Dm for the second system; and Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Gm, Am, Dm for the third system.

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

Silent Prayers of Confession –*kneeling, if able*–

Assurance of Pardon – Ephesians 2:8-9

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

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:

Profession of Faith – The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

The Westminster Shorter Catechism: #14-15

Q. 14. What is sin?

A. Sin is any want of conformity unto, or transgression of, the law of God.

Q. 15. What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?

A. The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created was their eating the forbidden fruit.

Psalm of the Month – “Do Not Be Silent, God, or Unresponding” (255)

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 17:5–8

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

New Testament Reading: Luke 6:17–26

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

Hymn – “At the Name of Jesus” (838)

Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

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

Sermon – “Jacob’s Death, Judah’s Roar”

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.**

Psalm – “Fairest Lord Jesus” (555)

Hymn – “Blest the Man that Fears Jehovah” (410)

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 – “Come, Ye Sinners” (I Will Arise) (see next page)

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

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

MATTHEW 11:28-30
Joseph Hart, *pub.* 1759; *ref. by* Anonymous; *arr.*

RESTORATION
Unknown, *pub.* 1835

1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, Weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;
2. Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come, God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
3. Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y - lad - en, Lost and ru - ined by the fall;
4. View Him pros - trate, in the gar - den; On the ground your Mak - er lies;
5. Lo! th' in - car - nate God as - cend - ed, Pleads the mer - it of His blood:
6. Let not con - science make you lin - ger, Not of fit - ness fond - ly dream;

Je - sus read - y stands to save you, Full of pi - ty, love and pow'r.
True be - lief and true re - pent - ance, Eve - ry grace that brings you nigh.
If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, You will nev - er come at all.
On the blood - y tree be - hold Him; Sin - ner, will this not suf - fice?
Ven - ture on Him, ven - ture whol - ly, Let no oth - er trust in - trude.
All the fit - ness He re - quir - eth Is to feel your need of Him.

Refrain

I will a - rise and go to Je - sus, He will em - brace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Sav - ior, Oh, there are ten thou - sand charms.

PUBLIC DOMAIN

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 – “Crown Him with Many Crowns” (818)

Exhortation

Charge and Benediction (from 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 and a bass clef. The treble clef part has a melody with lyrics: "Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;". The bass clef part provides a harmonic accompaniment. Above the treble clef, guitar chords are indicated: G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, D, Em, C, G, D. The second system also has a treble and bass clef. The treble clef part has a melody with lyrics: "Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men.". The bass clef part provides a harmonic accompaniment. Above the treble clef, guitar chords are indicated: Em, D, G, D, G, C, D, G, D, Am, G, D, G, C, G.

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

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Pastor: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

For Family Worship

Daily Catechesis

- **Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism:** #14-15 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- **Hymn of the Week:** “Come, Ye Sinners” (**I Will Arise**) (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Proverb of the Week:** “A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.” (Proverbs 22:1)
- **Prayer:** “Bounty” (From *The Valley of Vision*) (see liturgy, pg. 1)

Prayer Requests

Current

- That Sondra's cancer would be totally gone, and that Sondra's affliction would be used to bring unbelieving family members to Christ.
- For the Margheims as they move this week.
- Prayer for the Haymes family as they look towards Caleb's kidney transplant in the next few months. Peace, provision, and logistical grace.
- For continued flourishing and protection upon Wycliffe during his prolonged NICU journey, and the peace of Christ to guard Elijah and Holly.
- For the pregnant mothers nearing their due date, and those with higher risk.
- For healing for Brooke Stanifer amidst a prolonged physical affliction, and a clear diagnosis.
- Healing for Sandy amidst the prolonged vertigo type symptoms that have afflicted her.
- Great wisdom for Pete in his role as SecDef and continued protection - both spiritual and physical - for the Hegseths.

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

- **The 1st and 3rd Wednesday or Thursday evening of the month***
- 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
- Groups
 - **Goodlettsville - the Potteigers (Weds)**
 - **Ridgetop - the Lums (Weds)**
 - **Whites Creek/S. Goodlettsville - the Tawls/Coppers (Weds)**
 - **North - hosted by the Pitts (Thurs)**
- *days subject to change for some groups

FEBRUARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **A study through Ecclesiastes**
- Hot coffee, warm fellowship, rich teaching and discussion!

FEBRUARY

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
- 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:
 - 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
- Shelyv Huffman



**To sign up for the Family Seminar
(updated link)**

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