

# WORSHIPING THE GOD OF GRACE

April 22, 2018 - 10:30 AM

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## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Come, Thou Fount*

Arr. by Roger House

Please take this time to quietly meditate on the following Scripture passage as you prepare your heart to worship the Lord.

*Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

**Matthew 6:19-20 (ESV)**

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Psalm 105:1-3; 107:8-9, 15 (ESV)**

As God's Word calls us to worship, let's shout these words to one another recognizing that our worship is a response to God's gracious call.

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

People: **Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**

Leader: Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love.

People: **and his wonderful deeds for men, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.**

Leader: Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love

ALL: **and his wonderful deeds for men.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE #457

*Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing*

## \*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Elder Joe Blanner

## \*WORSHIP IN SONG

*We Will Feast In The House Of Zion  
Thy Mercy My God*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

After the public confession below, you are encouraged to confess your sins silently to God.

Most just and gracious God, Your eyes are too pure to behold iniquity. We confess that we have neglected Your holy worship; we have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors, not loving them as ourselves, nor doing to others as we would have them do to us. We have not sought first Your kingdom and righteousness, nor have we been content with our daily bread. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins.

## COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

**1 Timothy 1:15-16 (ESV)**

*The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.*

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone.*

**Ephesians 2:18-20 (ESV)**

*\*For those who are able, please stand.*

**\*GREETING OF PEACE**

**John 14:27 (ESV)**

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you, offering them the right hand of fellowship and the peace which is only found in Christ.

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.  
Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.*

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**Ephesians 6:18 (ESV)**

[Pray] *at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.  
To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.*

**WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshipping with you. Thank you!  
The offering is a vital part of our response to God and God's Word. It helps us connect our adoration for God with our life of discipleship.

*Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;  
then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.*

**Proverbs 3:9-10 (ESV)**

**OFFERTORY**

***I Glory In Christ***

by Horatius Bonar, music by Sandra McCracken

God forbid that I should glory,  
Save in the Redeemer's cross,  
Counting shame for Him but honour,  
County earthly gain for loss.  
All the love of God is here,  
Oh Love that casteth out all fear.

God forbid that I should glory,  
Save in Christ my Lord alone  
Him I lean on, Him I follow,  
Him before the world I own.  
All the love of God is here,  
Love that casteth out all fear.

God forbid that I should glory,  
Save in Christ the Son of God;  
Him who sought me, Him who bought me,  
Him who washed me in His blood.  
All the love of God is here,  
Love that casteth out all fear.

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 968 in blue pew Bible)

**2 Corinthians 9:6-15**

**SERMON**

***"Hilarious Giving"***

Rev. David Stain

Pastor, Spring Hills Presbyterian Church

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #432**

***We Give Thee But Thine Own***

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

***Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken***

Arr. by Roger House

**Personal Prayer and Counsel**

*"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality."*

**Romans 12:10, 12, 13 (NIV)**

**We want so much to come alongside you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please see Pastor Stain or one of our Elders at the back of the church following the worship service where we are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.**

**Spring Hills Presbyterian Church is committed to:**

**CHANGED HEARTS** through the transforming power of the Gospel of Grace,

**CHANGED LIVES** through Biblical preaching, teaching, fellowship and discipleship, and a

**CHANGED COMMUNITY**, where the community is so transformed by the power of the Gospel that it becomes predominately Christian and committed to the worship and service of our Triune God.