# WORSHIPING THE GOD OF GRACE

# February 17, 2019 - 10:30 AM

Please silence all communication devices. Hearing Assistance Devices and Large Print Bibles are available; please ask an Usher.
Children's Bulletins and "Quiet Bags" are available at the Welcome Table.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP O Love That Will Not Let Me Go Setting by Lloyd Larson

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

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Exodus 19:5-6; 1 Peter 2:9 (ESV)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:1-6, 8, 14, 17-22 (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: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your

iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is

renewed like the eagle's.

Leader: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

People: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. For he knows our frame;

he remembers that we are dust.

Leader: But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear

him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and

remember to do his commandments.

People: The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

Leader: Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of

his word!

People: Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

ALL: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my

soul!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #76 (stanzas 1, 3, & 5) Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Elder David Haas

\*WORSHIP IN SONG

You Alone
My Chains Are Gone

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

There are many times I think I love You well, O God. But upon hearing Your call to love You with all my heart, and all my mind, and all my strength, I confess that my love for You is a diluted love, made dull and flat by lesser loyalties and a divided heart. My love seems pure only for brief moments; soon my affections are drawn away. How easily my devotion dies. Forgive me; in deep mercy spare me, despite my lost first love for You; in grace rekindle my love for You in seeing anew Jesus' love for me. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>For those who are able, please stand.

### COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

Psalm 103:10-13 (ESV)

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

#### \*GREETING OF PEACE

2 John 1:3 (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.  $Grace,\ mercy,\ and\ peace\ will\ be\ with\ us,$ 

from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, in truth and love.

#### 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)

### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

[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.

Ephesians 6:18 (ESV)

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

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshiping 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.

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 6:19-21 (ESV)** 

**OFFERTORY** *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord* Arr. by Hal Hopson

\*SCRIPTURE READING (page 918 in pew Bible)

Acts 9:32-43

SERMON "It Is Jesus Who Makes You Whole"

Rev. David Stain

Pastor, Spring Hills Presbyterian Church

\*CLOSING HYMN #597 Though I May Speak With Bravest Fire

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** *My Savior's Love* Arr. by Mary MacDonald

# **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.

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