

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 130

O Lord, our God, hear our voices and in mercy be attentive to our prayer. Father, if you should mark iniquity who could stand? Yet you have promised that in Christ Jesus there is forgiveness with you, that you might be feared. As the watchmen of old waited for the dawn of your grace, so we, too, look back to the dawning of salvation when the Light of the World brought full redemption. Christ, our Light, is our Saviour. He is our confidence and our sure and certain hope; in His name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

Romans 10:8-13

“But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, ‘Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.’ For ‘everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

+ **NEW TESTAMENT READING** Revelation 21:1-8

SERMON “God’s Words of Comfort” Pastor Jonathan Holst

+ **HYMN** “Blessed Assurance” See Insert

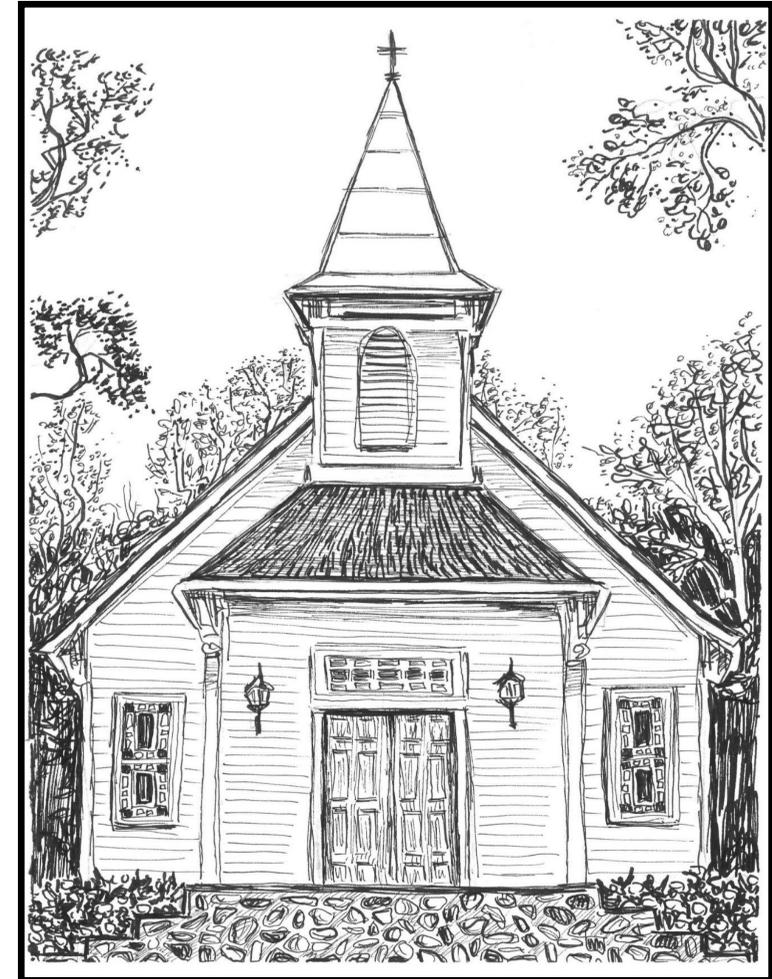
+ **PRAYER & BLESSING** Hebrews 13:20 & 21

“Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

EVENING SERVICE 6:00 PM: God Willing, this evening Pastor Holst will conclude our consideration of the Book of Ecclesiastes. All are welcome!

WHITE OAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Worship Guide

Sunday, March 15, 2026

The Sermon is where we explore scripture together and corporately encounter Christ..

God always gets the last word in our encounter of worship. The benediction is His blessing as we go out together.

PRELUDE

Donna Rensenhous

MEDITATION

Isaiah 25:6-9

“On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 102

Minister: Let this be recorded for a generation to come, so that a people yet to be created may praise the Lord:

People: that he looked down from his holy height; from heaven the Lord looked at the earth, to hear the groans of the prisoners, to set free those who were doomed to die.

Minister: **Declare among his people the name of the Lord, and in his sacred place his praise,**

All: Peoples gather together, and kingdoms, to worship the Lord.

† PSALTER (PSALM 23)

ARP Psalter No. 23A

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”

† THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (UNISON)

Our Father, who 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.

† CONFESSION OF FAITH

Responsive Reading - Heidelberg Catechism - Question 1

Q: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

A: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

Q: Christian, what is your only comfort in the matter of your forgiveness?

A: That My faithful Savior has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

Q: Christian, what is your only comfort in all the varieties of this life?

A: That He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Q: Christian, what is your only comfort as you look beyond this life?

A: By his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live looking to His return.

† OUR RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

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.

HYMN

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” Hymn No. 222

WORSHIP IN GIVING - PLEASE PLACE PRAYER/VISITOR CARDS IN OFFERING PLATES.

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

† OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35:1-10

Pastor Ronny Hull

Question & answer catechisms help teach and reinforce biblical truths.

The Gloria Patri is an ancient hymn of praise to our Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It has been part of the church’s worship for centuries.

The offering is an act of thanksgiving and worship commanded by God. By giving our tithe, we demonstrate our dependence on the Lord, the maker and sustainer of all things.

From Greek *doxa*, (glory, splendor, grandeur) & *logos*, (word/speaking); short hymns of praise to God in response to His gifts to us..

The Old Testament reading designed to parallel the New Testament reading.

Call to Worship is directed to the people by God through the Worship leader. It is a call to focus mind heart, and intention on the worship of God.

Music is part of worship throughout scripture. It lifts us up and expresses our joy and celebration. Each hymn connects to the parts of worship around it.

† Those who are able, please stand.