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Proclaiming a **Hope**

Building a **Home**

Launching a **Healing**

The Lord's Day, October 12, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word and Prayer

October 12, 2025 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

***Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord**

Hymn No. 465

Music: MOODY, Daniel B. Towner; Lyrics: Julia H. Johnston, 1910

Welcome & Announcements

Scott Byrd

***Call to Worship¹**

Psalm 68:1-6, 19-20, 26

Elder: God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him! As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away; as wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God!

People: But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!

Elder: Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him!

People: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

Elder: Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Our God is a God of salvation, and to GOD, the Lord, belong deliverances from death.

All: “Bless God in the great congregation, the LORD, O you who are of Israel’s fountain!”

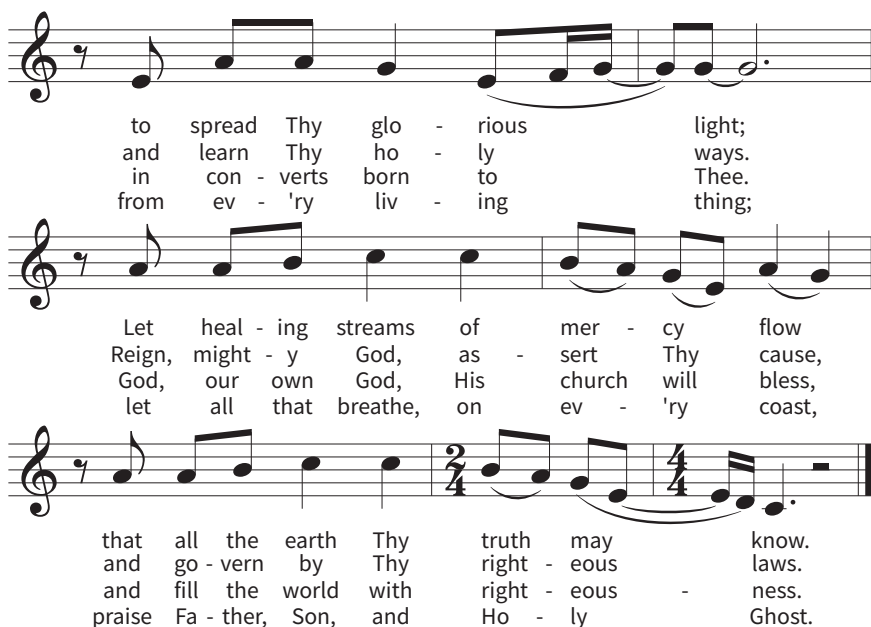
***Arise, O God, and Shine**

Music: Christopher Miner; Lyrics: William Hurn, 1813

A musical score for the hymn "Arise, O God, and Shine" in 4/4 time. The score is written on three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The second staff continues the melody with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The third staff concludes the melody with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are: "A - rise, O God, and shine / Bring dis - tant na - tions near / Put forth Thy glo - rious pow'r, / To God, the on - ly Wise, / in all Thy sav - ing might, / to sing Thy glo - rious praise; / that ev - 'ry one may see, / the one im - mor - tal King, / and pros - per each de - sign / let ev - 'ry peo - ple hear / and earth pre - sent her store, / let hal - le - lu - jahs rise,"

^{*}Please stand, if able.

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.



to spread Thy glo - rious light;
 and learn Thy ho - ly ways.
 in con - verts born to Thee.
 from ev - 'ry liv - ing thing;

Let heal - ing streams of mer - cy flow
 Reign, might - y God, as - sert Thy cause,
 God, our own God, His church will bless,
 let all that breathe, on ev - 'ry coast,

that all the earth Thy truth may know.
 and go - vern by Thy right - eous laws.
 and fill the world with right - eous - ness.
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 He descended into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
 Almighty.
 From there He shall come to judge the living and the
 dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic² church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Hymn No. 499

Music: TOPLADY, Thomas Hastings, 1830
 Lyrics: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776, alt. Thomas Cotterill, 1815

²The word "catholic" refers to the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Confession

Micah 7:1-4

¹Woe is me! For I have become as when the summer fruit has been gathered, as when the grapes have been gleaned: there is no cluster to eat, no first-ripe fig that my soul desires. ²The godly has perished from the earth, and there is no one upright among mankind; they all lie in wait for blood, and each hunts the other with a net. ³Their hands are on what is evil, to do it well; the prince and the judge ask for a bribe, and the great man utters the evil desire of his soul; thus they weave it together. ⁴The best of them is like a brier, the most upright of them a thorn hedge. The day of your watchmen, of your punishment, has come; now their confusion is at hand.

Confession of Sin

All: O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath! There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me. My wounds stink and fester because of my foolishness. But for you, O LORD, do I wait; it is you, O Lord my God, who will answer. I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin. Do not forsake me, O LORD! O my God, be not far from me!

Silent Confession

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Micah 7:7-10

⁷But as for me, I will look to the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me. ⁸Rejoice not over me, O my enemy; when I fall, I shall rise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD will be a light to me. ⁹I will bear the indignation of the LORD because I have sinned against him, until he pleads my cause and executes judgment for me. He will bring me out to the light; I shall look upon his vindication.

*Psalm 73

Music: Kevin Twit; Lyrics: Kevin Twit & Mac Purdy, alt.



1. Sure - ly, God is good
2. Sure - ly, I in vain,
3. Sure - ly, they're cast down
4. Yet al - ways You are near.

to all the pure in heart.
have kept my, my heart pure.
You guide me on slip - pery ground.
Word.

But as for me, my feet had al - most slipped;
And sure - ly they are strong and free from trials
As dreams fade when we wake, so they be - come
And al - ways, my Lord God, You are my strength;

I near - ly lost my grip.
while I am so con - fused.
com - plete - ly swept a - way.
my por - tion You will be.

*Please stand, if able.

For I en - vied the ar - ro - gant;
 Then I en - tered Your ho - ly place;
 In my heart I was ig - no - rant,
 You're my re - fuge, my Sov - ereign Lord;
 they are free from my bur - dens.
 then I saw their des - ti - ny.
 like a beast be - fore You.
 I will sing of Your awe - some deeds.

Life Together

Scott Byrd, Officer Nominations

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Chris Floyd

Offertory

"Psalm 46"

Music & Lyrics: Mike Crawford, 2009, alt. Isaac Wardell

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church Dismissal: During both the 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

Pastoral Prayer

Elder James Harper

Members of the Week:

Richard & Jane Cross: Ava Montgomery, Oby and Frances
 Bess Currence; Mamie

Missionaries of the Week:

Ricky Kroeger: Wycliffe Bible Translators - Oaxaca, Mexico

Teachers of the Week:

1st & 2nd Grade: Lauren & Fisher Adkins, Marti & Brock Nolan

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Clint & Kathy Wilcke

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 46:1-11

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Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Our Refuge & Strength"

Scott Byrd

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

*Steadfast

Music & Lyrics: Joshua Silverberg, Leslie Jordan, and Sandra McCracken



1. I will build my house, whe-ther storm or drought,
2. By the word You spoke all the star - ry host
3. I will not trust in the strength of kings;
on the called Rock that does not move.
are on called Your out by name each night.
on Your prom - ise I will stand.
I will set my hope in Your love, O Lord,
In Your watch - ful care, I will rest se - cure
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice,
and as Your faith - ful - ness will prove:
"Hal - le - lu - jah with Your light. Lamb!"
Chorus: You are stead - fast,
stead - - - fast.
Bridge: In the mo - ment of emp - ti - ness, all was ful-filled.
In the ho - ur of dark - ness Your light was re-vealed.
In the pre - sence of death, Your life was af-firmed.
In the ab - sence of hol - i - ness, You are still God.

*Benediction³

**Please stand, if able.*

³Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

1. A Perilous World

2. A Powerful God

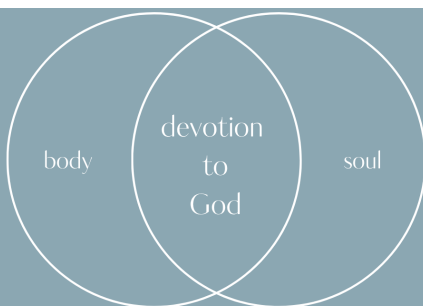
3. A Present God

Musicians & AVL Team

Randall Bryant, piano & vocals; Kristi Davidson, lights & projections;
Gregg Davidson, vocals; Amanda Fliflet, percussion; Dylan Gray, guitar;
Lee Harrington, mandolin; Allison Lavender, violin; Slade Lewis, bass;
Max McDonaldson, sound engineer; Matthew Parks, cello;
Molly Singletary, keyboard & vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Save the Date: Our Fall Bible Conference is coming up on **October 17th & 18th**. The Psalmist directs God's people to a healthy inner life where body and soul are united in their devotion to God. But sin has created all kinds of dysfunction in our hearts that you and I call "depression" and "anxiety." Join us for our annual Fall Bible Conference where we will work through these topics together with our speaker Rev. Joe White, a pastor and counselor with years of experience in helping God's people understand how to properly think through our inner worlds and how we can move towards flourishing in God's Kingdom.

BIRDS & BEES

learn what to say and when to say it



Save the date: October 26th from 5 to 7pm. As parents, if WE don't talk to our kids about sex, then who (or what?) will teach them? The Birds & Bees course is designed for parents so that families can have foundational conversations before others get the chance to make the first impression. Join us for an online course taught by Mary Flo Ridley and Megan Michelson, followed by a discussion panel Q&A. Use your phone's camera to scan the QR code above to register! *This course is designed for parents of kids ages 1 to 10. Childcare available.*

COMMUNICANTS CLASS



Our Communicants Class is a class designed for kids who are ready (or think they may be ready) to stand before Christ as a communing member of His church. Our next **Communicants Class begins October 26th at 9:45am**. To fill out the parent form for your child, scan the QR code provided with your phone's camera. *If you have questions, contact Scott at scott@cpcoxford.org.*



All Jr. High students (7th-8th graders) are invited to attend the Covenant Presbytery Youth Conference **November 14-16th** at The Grove at Red Oak Lake in Cordova, TN. Come enjoy a fun weekend of good word, good fellowship, and good food! First Presbyterian Church of Jackson Minister, Stephen Biggs, will be speaking. To register, scan the QR code provided with your phone's camera.

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