



*The life of the church mirrors the gospel pattern in the life of a disciple.*

*This is demonstrated in our **order of worship** (the bulletin you are holding): Opening moments offer recognition of the greatness and goodness of God that naturally folds into confession, assurance of pardon, songs of thanksgiving, instruction, and a charge to serve God in response to His grace in Christ.*



The exact formulation of the fundamental principal of Calvinism has indeed taxed the acumen of a long series of thinkers for the last hundred years. Perhaps the simplest statement of it is the best: that it lies in a profound apprehension of God in His majesty, with the inevitably accompanying poignant realization of the exact nature of the relation sustained to Him by the creature as such, and particularly by the sinful creature. He who believes in God without reserve, and is determined that God shall be God to him in all his thinking, feeling, willing—in the entire compass of his life activities, intellectual, moral, spiritual, throughout all his individual social, religious relations—that is, by the force of that strictest of all logic which presides over the outworking of principles into thought and life, by the very necessity of the case, a Calvinist.

B.B. Warfield

# *Order of Worship*

## *January 26, 2020*

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Prelude**

SMPC Music Team

## *Celebrating His Presence*

### **Preparation for Worship**

### **Call to Worship**



*We believe everyone **worships** something and that we will inevitably imitate and serve what we worship.*



## **All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above**

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!  
With healing balm my soul He fills, the God who every sorrow stills,  
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made His gracious mercy keepeth;  
By morning dawn or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;  
Within the kingdom of His might, lo, all is just and all is right,  
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not His flock, His chosen generation;  
He is their Refuge and their Rock, their Peace and their Salvation.  
As with a mother's tender hand He leads His own, His chosen band,  
To God all praise and glory!

### **Invocation**

### **A Gospel Moment**

#### **The Prayer of Confession and Repentance**

Incomparable Savior, we thank You with all our hearts, for Your wondrous love in bearing our guilt on the cross. Thank You for giving up the praise and glory of heaven, to please Your Father and rescue us from ourselves. You lived a life of self-denial and sacrificial love for others, always obeying Your Father. We thank You for your radiant robe of righteousness, which replaces the filthy and tattered rags of our attempts to be good. You paid the full price that we owed for sin on the cross, so that we might be freed from sin and death and relentless self-worship. Holy Spirit, remind us of these truths daily. As true worship fills our souls, may we grow into people who swiftly turn from our sinful desires in order to love others as we have been so greatly loved.



*The gospel moment is a time we use to remind people of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. By His obedience we are justified, and by His death we are reconciled to God. As we apprehend this we are ready to confess our sin.*



*Since we understand that we are redeemed sinners, we agree with God about our sin to the end that we might be confirmed in the forgiveness and absolution we have in Christ. This pattern of **confession** makes way for affirmation and confirmation of God's covenant promise that He assures every believer of pardon for the sake of Christ's obedience and substitution.*



## Assurance of Pardon

*People:* Thanks be to God!



For **assurance of pardon**, the man who has faith is the man who is no longer looking at himself and no longer looking to himself. He looks entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work, and rests on that alone". –Martyn Lloyd-Jones



### ***I'm Justified***

Most Holy Judge I stood before You guilty,  
When You sent Jesus to the cross for my sin.  
There Your love was revealed, Your justice vindicated;  
One sacrifice has paid the cost for all who trust in Jesus. (*chorus*)

*Chorus:* Now I'm justified, You declare me righteous;  
Justified by the blood of the Lamb.  
Justified freely by Your mercy, by faith I stand and I'm justified.

I come to You and I can call You Father,  
There is no fear, there is no shame before You.  
For by Your gift of grace, now I am one of Your children;  
An heir with those who bear Your name and share the hope of glory.

(*chorus x2*)

By faith I stand and I'm justified.

## The Blessing

*Minister:* The grace of God be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

**Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord**

# *Experiencing Renewal*

## ***Jesus, Lord of Heaven***

Jesus, Lord of Heaven, I do not deserve  
The grace that You have given, or the promise of Your Word.  
Lord, I stand in wonder at the sacrifice You made;  
With mercy beyond measure, my debt You freely paid.

Your love is deeper than any ocean,  
Higher than the heavens,  
Reaches beyond the stars in sky.  
Jesus, Your love has no bounds. Jesus, Your love has no bounds.

*(repeat all)*

## ***Psalm 9***

I will praise (I will praise) You, O Lord (You, O Lord)  
With all my heart, with all my heart.  
I will tell (I will tell) of Your wonders (of Your wonders)  
I'll be glad and exult in Thee.  
I'll be glad and exult in Thee.

*Chorus:* I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High,  
I will sing praise to Your Name.  
I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High,  
I will sing praise to Your Name.

*(repeat all/repeat chorus)*



Now that we  
have  
reenacted  
the story of  
the gospel  
as a church  
community.

We now  
**experience  
the renewal**  
merited for  
us by Jesus  
Christ. We  
express this  
renewal in  
our singing  
praises to  
Jesus for  
His great  
mercy  
towards us.





Jesus, our  
shepherd,  
prays with us  
and for us.  
We pray the  
**pastoral  
prayer**  
expecting the  
Holy Spirit to  
minister  
Jesus'  
benefits to us  
as He prays  
for us.



## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word**

### ***There is a Redeemer***

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. (*chorus*)

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. (*chorus*)

When I stand in glory I will see His face,  
And there I'll serve my King forever, in that Holy place. (*chorus*)

*Chorus:* Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;  
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

*(last time repeat chorus)*



(children 4-  
6 years are  
dismissed  
to  
Children's  
Church at  
this time)



# *Deepening Our Commitment*

**Preaching of the Word**

Pastor Tim Posey

Series: Biblical Foundations for Change  
"The Sovereignty of God" Ephesians 1:3-14  
Theme: *Resting in His Sovereignty*

Introduction:

- I. What the sovereignty of God means
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. What the sovereignty of God includes
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. Why the sovereignty of God is a comfort

Conclusion:



*Since Jesus Christ has committed Himself to us in the laying down of His precious life, we are reminded of this in the preaching of the Word and likewise called to a daily, **deepening commitment** to follow after Him.*



## Receiving of Tithes and Offerings



**Receiving of tithes and offerings** is not an "add on" to the service. It is part of worship. We demonstrate our trust in God's present provision and hope in our future with Him by supporting the spread of the Gospel.



## Song of Response

### ***Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts***

Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, Thou light of men,  
From the best bliss that earth imparts  
We turn unfilled to Thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; Thou savest those that on Thee call;  
To them that seek Thee Thou art good,  
To them that find Thee all in all.

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast;  
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,  
Blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright;  
Chase the dark night of sin away,  
Shed o'er the world Thy holy light.

## Celebrating the Lord's Supper

*(Please note that the outer ring is juice and the inner rings are wine; the bread is gluten free)*



The **Benediction** is a pronouncement of God's favor upon His assembled people.



## Benevolence Offering

## Benediction

