

# Mercy

Presbyterian Church

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### FEBRUARY 1, 2026

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When the musical prelude begins, the congregation is invited to spend time preparing their hearts for corporate worship.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### Psalm 103:1-4, 11-12

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!**

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases.

**People: Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

Leader: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.

**People: As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### SONG OF PRAISE

1. Out of my distress I called out for help;  
And the Lord came quickly to save me.  
Praise our God most high; He is on my side,  
For the Lord's become my salvation!

2. Open up the gate where the righteous wait;  
To behold the face of their Savior.  
I am welcomed in by my Lord and friend,  
And the Lord's become my salvation!

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#### The Lord's Become Our Salvation (Psalm 118)

##### Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord,  
For his never-ending love!  
We will celebrate what He's done this day.  
For the Lord's become our salvation!  
For the Lord's become our salvation!

3. Now the stone ignored by the strong and proud  
Has become the Church's foundation.  
Let the weak give praise for this gift of grace,  
For the Lord's become our salvation!  
Chorus 2X

#### NEW TESTAMENT READING

#### Romans 10:14-17

<sup>14</sup>How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 51:1-3, 8-10, 12

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love.

**People: According to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

Leader: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

**People: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**

Leader: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

**People: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.**

Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me

**People: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 6:38-40

<sup>38</sup> For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup> And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup> For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

## COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### HYMN OF ASSURANCE

1. How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,  
For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."
3. "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress."

### How Firm a Foundation

4. "When through fiery trials your pathways shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Your dross to consume, and your gold to refine."
5. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.  
That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Children are welcome to remain in the service. However, "Equip for Worship" is available for children in Pre-K and Kindergarten. Parents, please escort your children to the classroom after the prayer of intercession. Today's volunteers: (1<sup>st</sup>) Mandi Roberts and Susan Deneen (2<sup>nd</sup>) Nate Fowler and Gaye Rudolph

## CONGREGATIONAL READING

Nahum 1:6-8

<sup>6</sup>Who can stand before his indignation? Who can endure the heat of his anger? His wrath is poured out like fire, and the rocks are broken into pieces by him. <sup>7</sup>The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him. <sup>8</sup>But with an overflowing flood he will make a complete end of the adversaries, and will pursue his enemies into darkness.

**Nahum 1**

<sup>1</sup>An oracle concerning Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum of Elkosh. <sup>2</sup>The LORD is a jealous and avenging God; the LORD is avenging and wrathful; the LORD takes vengeance on his adversaries and keeps wrath for his enemies. <sup>3</sup>The LORD is slow to anger and great in power, and the LORD will by no means clear the guilty. His way is in whirlwind and storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet. <sup>4</sup>He rebukes the sea and makes it dry; he dries up all the rivers; Bashan and Carmel wither; the bloom of Lebanon withers. <sup>5</sup>The mountains quake before him; the hills melt; the earth heaves before him, the world and all who dwell in it. <sup>6</sup>Who can stand before his indignation? Who can endure the heat of his anger? His wrath is poured out like fire, and the rocks are broken into pieces by him. <sup>7</sup>The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him. <sup>8</sup>But with an overflowing flood he will make a complete end of the adversaries, and will pursue his enemies into darkness. <sup>9</sup>What do you plot against the LORD? He will make a complete end; trouble will not rise up a second time. <sup>10</sup>For they are like entangled thorns, like drunkards as they drink; they are consumed like stubble fully dried. <sup>11</sup>From you came one who plotted evil against the LORD, a worthless counselor. <sup>12</sup>Thus says the LORD, “Though they are at full strength and many, they will be cut down and pass away. Though I have afflicted you, I will afflict you no more. <sup>13</sup>And now I will break his yoke from off you and will burst your bonds apart.” <sup>14</sup>The LORD has given commandment about you: “No more shall your name be perpetuated; from the house of your gods I will cut off the carved image and the metal image. I will make your grave, for you are vile.” <sup>15</sup>Behold, upon the mountains, the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace! Keep your feasts, O Judah; fulfill your vows, for never again shall the worthless pass through you; he is utterly cut off.

**SERMON NOTES**

# CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

## Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness;  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.  
Refrain

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## Great is Thy Faithfulness

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth;  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow;  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.  
Refrain

## The Church's One Foundation

1. The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord.  
She is His new creation,  
By water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her  
And for her life, He died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation,  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food;  
And to one hope she presses  
With ev'ry grace endued.

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3. Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore.  
Till with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blessed;  
And the great church victorious  
Shall be the church at rest.

4. Yet, she on earth hath union  
With God the Three in One;  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy,  
Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with Thee.

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## Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

1. What is our hope in life and death?  
Christ alone, Christ alone  
What is our only confidence?  
That our souls to him belong  
Who holds our days within his hand?  
What comes, apart from his command?  
And what will keep us to the end?  
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

### Chorus

O sing hallelujah!  
Our hope springs eternal.  
O sing hallelujah!  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death!

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul?  
God is good, God is good.  
Where is his grace and goodness known?  
In our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise?  
Who stands above the stormy trial?  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?  
Chorus

3. Unto the grave, what will we sing?  
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"  
And what reward will heaven bring?  
Everlasting life with him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord,  
Then sin and death will be destroyed,  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore!  
Chorus (2x)

Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death!

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## DOXOLOGY

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

## BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and  
Savior, Jesus Christ.

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

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