

Public Service of Worship

September 8, 2024

HOPE
CHURCH

“Call the Sabbath a delight.”

Isaiah 58:13


Welcome to Hope Church. We are so glad that you are here to join in worship of our God, through Jesus, his Son. We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), with deep roots in the reformed tradition. Our mission is to know, worship, and proclaim Jesus Christ as the hope of the world, lovingly bringing the message to our community.

We want you to feel welcome, and have prepared this guide to help you engage in worship. The Apostle Paul exhorts us to present our bodies as living sacrifices unto the Lord (Rom. 12:1). For that reason, our worship engages the whole body with standing, sitting, lifting hands, eating & drinking, which helps us present ourselves wholly to God as an act of worship. There are no passive worshipers, just sitting and hearing, but we are all called to be active and engaged, responding from the heart.

Please note that when the congregation is to read, the type will be boldfaced:

[Leader]: Grace to you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

[Congregation]: And also with you.

Please note that the  symbol means to stand (As you are able) and (*) means to lift your hands in praise.

THE LORD'S SUPPER: Also commonly called "communion." The Lord's supper is a sacrament whereby Christ, being spiritually present in the supper, offers us his body and blood to nourish our faith. We feed on Christ as a participation in his death and resurrection, the sacrament being a means of grace builds us up in the faith. We welcome all who have been baptized and profess faith in Jesus Christ and who have been admitted to the table. If that doesn't describe you, we ask that you not take part. However, please come and speak to the pastor or elders if you desire to be baptized or take part in the Holy Supper.

Sermon Text: *Genesis 2:1-3*

Sermon Title: *The Creational Pattern of the Sabbath*

Sermon Theme: *Just as the Lord rested from His works, so must you set aside one day in seven to rest from your worldly labors.*

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PRELUDE

WE ARE HERE TO WORSHIP GOD

APOSTOLIC GREETING

[Leader]: *Grace to you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ*
[Congregation]: *And also with you.*

☞ CALL TO WORSHIP

[Leader]: *Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb (Ps. 49:1; Rev. 19:9, ESV)*

...IN HIS PRESENCE

☞ GLORIA PATRI #735*

[Congregation]: *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.*

☞ INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE Pg. 8

PRAISE TO THE LIVING GOD

☞ RESPONSIVE READING Pg. 795

PSALM 32

*Congregation responds with **Bold type***

CONFESSION OF SIN.

[Leader]: *“How long will you lie there, O sluggard? When will you arise from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man.” (Proverbs 6:9–11, ESV)*

[Leader]: *Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.*

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE CONFESSION *from John Wesley*

[Leader]: Let us confess together saying,

[Together]: ***O merciful Father, regard not what we have done against you, but what our blessed Savior has done for us. Regard not what we have made ourselves; but what he is made unto us of you, our God. O that Christ may be to every one of our souls, wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption! That his precious blood may cleanse us from all our sins; and that your Holy Spirit may renew and sanctify our souls. May he crucify our flesh with its affections and lusts, and mortify all our members which are upon earth. O let not sin reign in our mortal bodies, that we should obey in the lusts thereof; but being made free from sin, let us be the servants of righteousness. Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

[Leader]: *If you confessed your sins, by faith, trusting in the finished work of Christ, then be assured your sins are forgiven and you are cleansed from all unrighteousness. Amen!*

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING Pg. 9

MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

ISAIAH 40:21-31

[Leader]: This is the Word of the Lord!

[Congregation]: ***Thanks be to God!***

...TO HIS GLORY

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP GOD THROUGH OUR GIFTS

 **DOXOLOGY #731***

[Congregation]: 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.

 **CONFESSING THE FAITH**

NICENE CREED

[Leader]: Christian, what do you believe?

[Congregation]: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic¹ and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* Children ages 4–7 may be dismissed for Children’s Church.

HYMN OF PREPARATION Pg. 10

NOT IN ME

¹ catholic means universal, the church everywhere and throughout all time.

...UNDER HIS AUTHORITY

Sermon Series: Call the Sabbath Your Delight

Sermon Title: *The Creational Pattern of the Sabbath*

Scripture: Genesis 2:1-3 (ESV)

1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. **2** And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. **3** So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

I CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

 **HYMN OF RESPONSE #673** (*Hymn of the Month*)

CAST YOUR BURDEN ON THE LORD

 **BENEDICTION***

Sermon Notes:

The Creational Pattern of the Sabbath

Rev. Taylor Bradley, *Pastor*

Scripture: *Genesis 2:1-3*

Why did God rest from His work?

As a testimony that His work of creation was complete.

As a pattern for us to follow.

As a reminder of eschatological rest.

Just as the Lord rested from His works, so must you set aside one day in seven to rest from your worldly labors.

HYMNS

Praise to the Living God!

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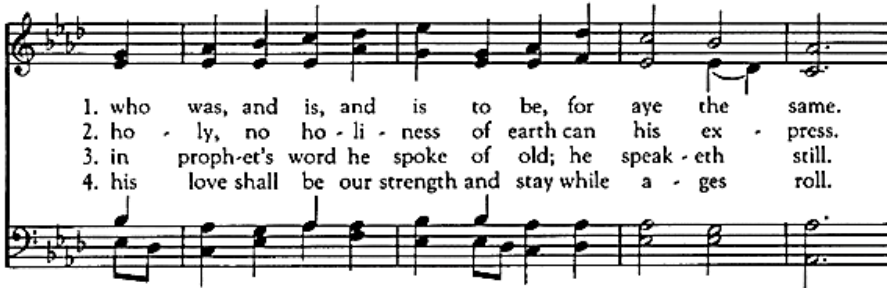
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Thomas Olivers and Meyer Lyon, 1770;
based on a Jewish melody

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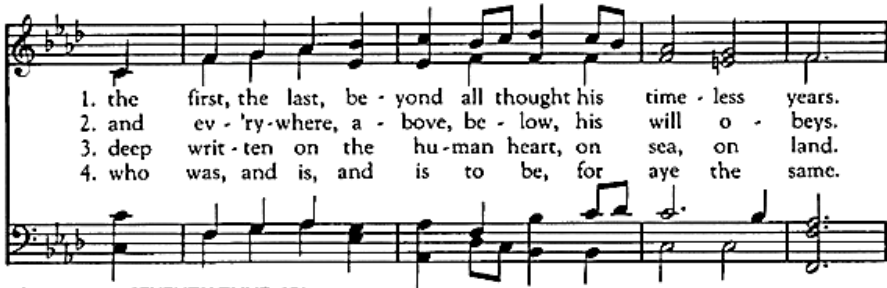
1. Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his name,
2. Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness:
3. His spir - it flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4. E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;



1. who was, and is, and is to be, for aye the same.
2. ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
3. in proph - et's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
4. his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.



1. The one e - ter - nal God, ere aught that now ap - pears:
2. Lo, he is Lord of all; cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
3. Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
4. Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his name,



1. the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years.
2. and ev - 'ry - where, a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
3. deep writ - ten on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
4. who was, and is, and is to be, for aye the same.

Alternative tune: SEVENTH TUNE, 271

374 My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness

1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who bore my pain, Who
 2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who walks be - side, Who
 3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who reigns a - bove, Whose

plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain, Who
 floods my weak - ness - es with strength and caus - es fear to fly, Whose
 wis - dom is my per - fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love, For

crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness and clothed me in His light, And
 ev - 'ry prom - ise is e - nough for ev - 'ry step I take, Sus -
 ev - 'ry day I have on earth is giv - en by the King. So

wrote His law of right - eous - ness with pow'r up - on my heart.
 tain - ing me with arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.
 I will give my life, my all to love and fol - low Him.

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Not In Me

Words and Music by
Eric Schumacher and David L. Ward

(as published by Thousand Tongues)

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VERSE

F/C C Dm/C C F/C C Am

1. No list of sins I have not done, no list of vir - tues I pur -
 2. No hum - ble dress, no fer - vent prayer, no lift - ed hands, no tear - ful
 3. No sep - a - ra - tion from the world, no work I do, no gift I

4 G^{sus} G G⁷ C F Am F C/G G⁷

-sue, no list of those I am not like can earn my - self a place with
 song, no re - ci - ta - tion of the truth can jus - ti - fy a sin - gle
 give, can cleanse my con - science, cleanse my hands; I can - not cause my soul to

8 C C/E G F/G C C/E G F/G

You. O God! Be mer - ci - ful to me - I am a sin - ner through and
 wrong. My right - eous - ness is Je - sus' life, my debt was paid by Je - sus'
 live. But Je - sus died and rose a - gain - the pow'r of death is o - ver -

12 C C/E G F/G Am F C/G G⁷ C

through! My on - ly hope of right - eous - ness is not in me, but on - ly You.
 death, my wea - ry load was borne by Him, and He a - lone can give me rest.
 -thrown! My God is mer - ci - ful to me and mer - ci - ful in Christ a - lone.

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Announcements

UPCOMING EVENTS

Evening Service of Worship on the Lord's Day. Beginning *October 6th at 6 p.m.*, we will conclude our Lord's Day with a time of corporate worship. Although this practice has recently fallen out of favor in churches, the Hope Session is eager to revive the tradition of morning and evening worship on the Lord's Day. This service will be slightly less formal, featuring a Homily, a time for corporate prayer, and concluding with a short hymn sing.

Visit from the Newbranders: After the service there will be a luncheon and time of fellowship.

Diaconal Offering: On *September 15th* we will take our quarterly diaconal offering to replenish our benevolent fund. As you are able, please set something aside to give to meet the needs of the people of God.

Missions Night: On *September 23rd at 6 pm* the Mission's and Outreach Committee will be hosting a mission's night. There will be a short homily, video updates from our missionaries, and a children's fashion show to showcase the work the women have done all year to sew clothes for *Operation Christmas Child* boxes. Please come and hear and be encouraged of the mission works that we partner with here at Hope.

Options Woman's Center: "Walk for Life" is *on September 28, 2024*. There are brochures in the church vestibule. And great news, this coming Fall we will be opening a new center in Honesdale. Please keep us in your prayers. God has been so good to this ministry!

Women's Bible study: "Caring for One Another" by Edward T. Welch. Creating a community where people are free to be open, admit weakness, ask for help and bear one another's burden. Welch encourages participants to move toward one another in humility; "know your heart," talk about sin and suffering. **First study: Saturday September 21st beginning at 10:00 a.m.** Please see Cheryl Straka if you plan to attend. Study guide cost: \$10.00. Location TBA.

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Reformation Day Celebration: on Thursday October 31st at 6 pm. Planning for the Reformation Day party has begun. If anyone would like to volunteer to participate in this year's Reformation Day Party, we are seeking people to help with set up and clean up, musicians to aid in hymn sing, and a mix of adults and children who would like to participate in a church history skit. Anyone who is interested in volunteering to help, please see Keith or Sabrina Herbert to sign up.

Join PCA women at the **MADE US FOR MORE** conference in Annapolis, MD **on November 15-16**. For more information and to RSVP, contact Beverly Barnes.

Financial Update

Last Week's Offering:	\$4,560
Budgeted Amount:	\$3,290
Difference:	+\$1,270

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REGULAR SCHEDULED EVENTS

Adult Sunday School (All Ages Are Welcome): Sundays, 9:25 am at the church.

Teen/Adult Sunday School class for those with Special Needs: Sundays, 9:25 am at the church.

Small Group Fellowship:

Anderson Small Group: *on Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm* See Kenn Anderson Jr. for more information.

Barnes' Small Group: *on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm* at the Barnes home. See Bill for information.

Batzel/Schwartz Small Group: *on Thursday's at 1 pm.* See John for more information.

Bradley Small Group: Every *Tuesday at 6:15 pm.* See Kristen for more information.

Men's Ministry

Men's Forum on the *first Saturday* of every month. The next forum is on **October 5th at 9 am at Hope Church.** All men (and their sons) are welcome.

Children & Youth Ministry:

Sunday School for children preK-12th grade meets during the Education hour from 9:30-10:25 Sundays at the church.

PRAYER

If you have prayer requests that you would like shared with the prayer chain, please email prayer@hopenepa.org, or fill out the connection card in the seat in front of you and place it in the offering. If you have requests you wish to remain private, but want the elders to pray for them, please email elders@hopenepa.org, or call Pastor Taylor at 570-871-0322.

HOPE CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

Sunday School: 9:25 • Worship: 10:45

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