



**HIXSON
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH** PCA

Biblical Christ-Centered Reformed

Hixson Presbyterian Church January 21, 2018

Prelude

Greetings

Morgan Lusk

Call to Worship From Psalm 102

Prayer of Preparation & Confession

†O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above,
and gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space!
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
The earth with is store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it
fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail:
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn Thee above, the humbler
creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise.

Responsive Reading Psalm 73:25-28

†Nothing In All The Earth

What shall separate us from Your love?
Can years of sorrow break eternal bonds?
Can condemnation ever raise its voice
Against the pardon of the blood of Christ?
Though our journey here is long
This will be our triumph song

Chorus: Nothing in all the earth
Not any height above
Could ever tear us from Your everlasting love
Nothing in all the earth
Not any height above
Could ever tear us from Your everlasting love

What shall separate us from Your love?
For now the sting of death is overcome
And all the powers of this world must fall
Before Your feet because You rule them all
And though our journey here is long
This shall be our triumph song

Nothing in all the earth
Could ever tear us from
Your everlasting love

†Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heav'n He stands,
no tongue can bid me thence depart—
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free.
For God the Just is satisfied
to look on Him and pardon me—
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
the King of Glory and of Grace.
[One with Himself, I cannot die,
my soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my Savior and my God—
With Christ my Savior and my God.]

Prayer of Intercession & Offertory

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Please fill out the friendship folder found at the end of the pew
Children ages 4 & 5 are invited to Children's Church

Offertory *Instrumental*

Sermon

"Union With Christ"
Colossians 3:1-4

Robert Johnson

†My Soul Finds Rest (Psalm 62)

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse,
and lies like arrows pierce me,
I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to Him who hears me

Chorus

O praise Him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward;
Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

Find rest my soul in God alone, amid the world's temptations;
When evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go,
don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow, are harvested in heaven.

I'll set my gaze on God alone, and trust in Him completely;
With every day pour out my soul, and He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
a sigh too brief to measure,
My King has crushed the curse of death, and I am His forever.

Why Do We Do That?

Greeting

When we greet one another we follow in a tradition which began back in the early church. In many of the Apostle Paul's letters he begins with a greeting to those in the church (Rom.1:7; 1 Cor.1:3; Gal.1:3; Eph.1:2; Phil.1:2; etc.). Greeting each other establishes that we are all on equal footing before the throne of God by welcoming fellow believers into a time of worship. This acknowledges the truth from Galatians 3:28, that in the church there is neither Jew nor Gentile, slave nor free, male nor female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus. Our time of greeting and announcement also informs us of many things God is doing in our midst and how we can further connect with Him, each other, and the community around us. From the very beginning of the service we realize that we are a part of something greater than our own individual lives. There is work to be done and we are the ones called to do it.

Benediction

Postlude

†Congregation Standing
Please feel free to sit as necessary

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Sermon Notes - Robert Johnson
"Union With Christ"
Colossians 3:1-4

First, Things Above & On Earth

Second, Union With Christ

Third, Seeking Things Above

Announcements for the week January 21, 2018

• **Today is Sanctity of Life Sunday.** On this day we take time to acknowledge the value of all human life. Please take a moment to read the insert in your bulletin on how lives are being impacted in our community.

• **We are social!** Connect today with the church's OFFICIAL Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HixsonPresbyterianChurch. Be sure to like this page and follow it to get the most recent updates and happenings right to your Facebook feed.

• **Meet & Greet:** Are you new to HPC? Have you been visiting within the last few months? We would love the chance to meet you and become better acquainted. Please join us in M-3 (room at the end of People Street) for a time of coffee and donuts from 10:00 until 10:30 am on Sunday, January 28th.

• **Kitchen Training:** In an effort to maintain the kitchen and make sure that people who use it feel confident in operating the equipment and taking care of the kitchen in general, we are asking each ministry to send their emissary(s) for the officially recognized Hixson Presbyterian kitchen training. This should be someone who will be responsible/accountable for any amount of food prep, storage or clean up for your event. We have the following training times available: January 28 at 8:45-9:30 am or January 28 at 4:15-5:00 pm. We would like you to RSVP so that the groups aren't too large. Please contact Shirl Smies, Paula Card or Debbie Jackson. If you can't make one of these dates, please let us know and we will have another training date in the future.

• **Church-wide Wednesday night dinner:** Please join us January 31st at 5:30 pm for a meal before Wednesday night ministries. We will have chili, baked potatoes, mexi-cornbread casserole, and chocolate cherry cake for dessert. There is no charge for the meal but donations are welcome. Please sign up with the tear-off to let us know how many to prepare for. The deadline to sign up is January 28th.

• **Ladies Craft Day:** February 1st from 10am-4pm. All ladies are invited to join us for a craft day at Marsha Gentry's house. We will be making cards for the purpose of blessing and encouraging others in the church that are sick or hurting. Lunch will be provided. For questions or to RSVP please call the church office by the 30th.

• **Super Bowl Sunday,** February 4th: Evening ministries will begin at an earlier time at 4:30 pm.

• **Men's Breakfast,** Saturday, February 10th at 8:30 am: All men are invited to our Men's Breakfast. This is an opportunity to eat, talk, and generally have a good time of Christian fellowship. Let us know in advance if you plan on coming by signing up with the tear-off in your bulletin.

• **Women's Ministry:** Saturday, February 17th at 11:00am. Ladies, please join us for a lovely morning of tea and fellowship. Please bring a treat or snack to share. You may sign up with the tear off in the bulletin, online, or at the table in the foyer. *Childcare will be provided if it is requested by Sunday February 11th.*

• **Congregational Meeting** for the purpose of voting on changing Greg Baney's Call from Assistant Pastor to Associate Pastor immediately following the morning worship service on February 18th

Upcoming Events

- Jan 28 Visitor's Meet & Greet, 10:00-10:30am
- Jan 31 Wednesday Night Dinner, 5:30pm
- Feb 4 Super Bowl Sunday, Evening Ministries start at 4:30pm
- Feb 10 Men's Breakfast
- Feb 17 Ladies Tea and Fellowship, 11:00am
- Feb 18 Congregational Meeting

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 21

9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship Service
5-6:30pm Small Groups
Youth Underground
G.R.O.W. HPC Kids

Monday, January 22

Tuesday, January 23

3:30 pm TASK

Wednesday, January 24

6:30 am Men's Bible Study
6:30pm Choir Practice
Dig for Youth
Music & Missions HPC Kids

Thursday, January 25

3:30 pm TASK

Friday, January 26

Contributions Report

General: Jan 14, 2018		Missions: Jan 14, 2018	
Contributions	9,483.00	Contributions	1,020.00
Budget	15,200.00	Budget	1,876.00
Month to Date		Month to Date	
Contributions	23,012.00	Contributions	2,312.00
Budget	30,400.00	Budget	3,752.00
Building Fund Weekly	4,780	Month to Date	8,346
Weekly Goal	5,303	Monthly Goal	21,212

2018 Sunday School Classes

Minor Prophets – What makes certain prophetic books minor? Are they less important? What message did they share and to whom? What is their relevance and meaning for the church today? If you have ever asked any of these questions, join us for an in-depth exploration of this important genre of Biblical literature. (January 7th through May 27th) Rm M-1. Taught by Greg Baney

The Sacraments –Why are the Lord's supper and baptism called sacraments? Are there sacraments in the Old Testament? Why do we baptize babies? Why can't babies take communion? Will unbaptized believers go to heaven? Come learn about this most critical aspect of our church life, the proper administration of which is crucial to the true marks of the Church. (January 7th through March 11th) Rm. M-2. Taught by Jeff Siren, Steve Hutchings, and Don Carver.

The Marks of a Healthy Church - The church wasn't our idea—it was His. Jesus established the church as the natural arena for our spiritual growth, and our health depends on it. In this series, Dr. Mark Dever and Dr. Jonathan Leeman survey the marks of a healthy church, where we are called to display God's glorious character in unity, holiness, and love. We can't do it alone. Each segment is approximately 25-30 minutes followed by a facilitated discussion led by Thomas DeMoss. (January 7th through April 8th) Conference Rm.