



## **Morning Worship**

January 28, 2024 | 10:55 am

### **The Preparation for Worship**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

### **The Adoration of God**

**The Call to Worship**

**\*Hymn #53**

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Confession of Faith**

We believe that the only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who being the eternal Son of God became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two distinct natures and one person, forever.

We believe that as our Redeemer, Christ is a prophet, priest, and king.

We believe that as our prophet, Christ reveals by His Word and Spirit the will of God to us for our salvation.

We believe that as our priest, Christ offered Himself up once, as a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and that He continually intercedes for us.

We believe that as our king, Christ subdues us to Himself, rules and defends us, and restrains and conquers all His and our enemies.

*(adapted from the Westminster Shorter Catechism)*

### **The Means of Grace**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Emily Ann Evans  
Elena Grace Shull

**\*Hymn #131**

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

### **The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Adult Choir**

"A Prayer for the New Year"

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all its sons away;  
They fly, forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.  
Amen!

**\*Gloria Patri**

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.

**Prayer of Intercession**

Dr. Bill Barclay

**\*Psalm #19:7-14**

p.14, Trinity Psalter

7 Jehovah's perfect law restores the soul again; his testimony sure gives wisdom unto men;  
8 The precepts of the LORD are right, and fill the heart with great delight.

The LORD's command is pure, enlightening the eyes;  
9 Jehovah's fear is clean, more lasting than the skies.  
The judgments of the LORD express His truth and perfect righteousness.

10 They're more to be desired than stores of finest gold;  
Than honey from the comb more sweetness far they hold.  
11 With warnings they Thy servant guard; in keeping them is great reward.

12 His errors who can know? Cleanse me from hidden stain.  
13 Keep me from willful sins, nor let them o'er me reign.  
And then I upright shall appear and be from great transgression clear.

14 Let all the words I speak and all the thoughts within  
Come up before Thy sight and Thine approval win.  
O Thou Jehovah, unto me my rock and my Redeemer be.

**The Reading of God's Word**

Exodus 20:16 (part 2)

p. 61

**Sermon**

*"Tell the Truth"*

Dr. Bill Barclay  
Senior Pastor

**The Response and Benediction**

**\*Hymn #181**

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response**

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*No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.*

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Ps. 103:1, 2*

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath  
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so  
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here  
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -  
 • dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.  
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

# Children of the Heavenly Father

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*As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him. Ps. 103:13*

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1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther safe - ly  
 2. God his own doth tend and nour - ish, in his  
 3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the  
 4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, your Pro -

Em D G

in his bo - som gath - er; nest - ling bird nor star in  
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish; from all e - vil things he  
 Lord his chil - dren sev - er; un - to them his grace he  
 tec - tor nev - er slum - bers; at the will of your De -

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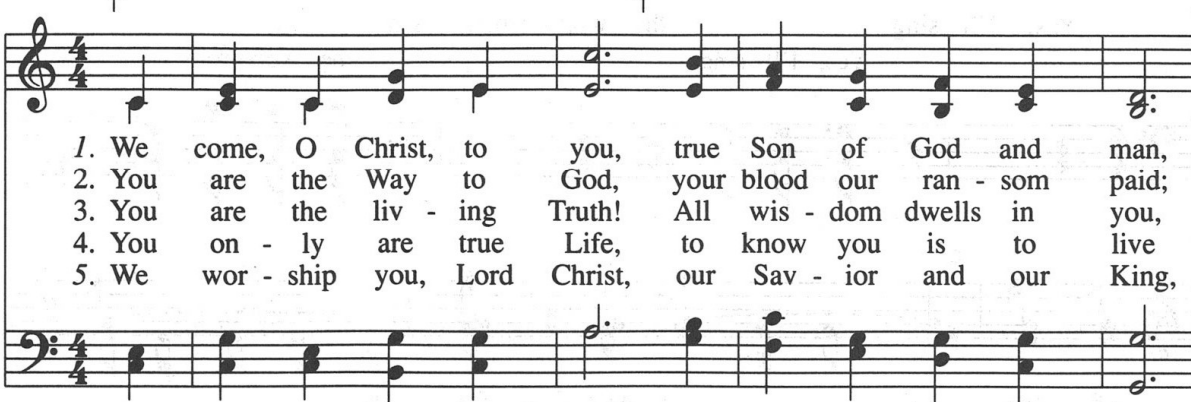
heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
 show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
 fend - er ev - 'ry foe - man must sur - ren - der.

5. Though he giveth or he taketh,  
 God his children ne'er forsaketh;  
 his the loving purpose solely  
 to preserve them pure and holy.

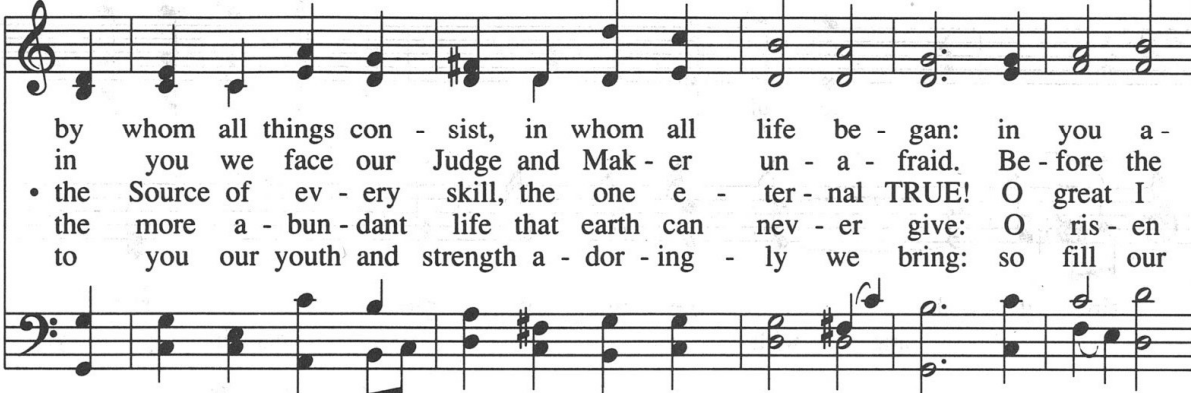
6. More secure is no one ever  
 than the loved ones of the Savior;  
 not yon star on high abiding  
 nor the bird in home-nest hiding.

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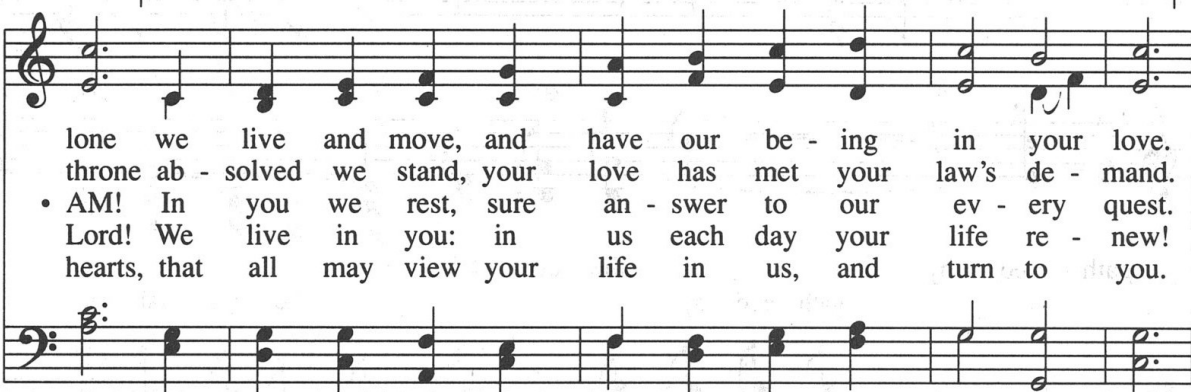
## We Come, O Christ, to You

*I am the way and the truth and the life. John 14:6*


1. We come, O Christ, to you, true Son of God and man,  
 2. You are the Way to God, your blood our ran - som paid;  
 3. You are the liv - ing Truth! All wis - dom dwells in you,  
 4. You on - ly are true Life, to know you is to live  
 5. We wor - ship you, Lord Christ, our Sav - ior and our King,



by whom all things con - sist, in whom all life be - gan: in you a -  
 in you we face our Judge and Mak - er un - a - fraid. Be - fore the  
 • the Source of ev - ery skill, the one e - ter - nal TRUE! O great I  
 the more a - bun - dant life that earth can nev - er give: O ris - en  
 to you our youth and strength a - dor - ing - ly we bring: so fill our



lone we live and move, and have our be - ing in your love.  
 throne ab - solved we stand, your love has met your law's de - mand.  
 • AM! In you we rest, sure an - swer to our ev - ery quest.  
 Lord! We live in you: in us each day your life re - new!  
 hearts, that all may view your life in us, and turn to you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Visitors Welcome!** We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting with us today. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us at Sovereign Grace. **Please fill in the Guest Card located in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate, so that we may have a record of your visit.**

**Shepherding Groups will meet in lieu of today's evening worship service.** Your Shepherding Elder will be in contact with you regarding times and location. If you are visiting us today or have not yet been assigned a shepherding elder, please connect with a member or pastor to join one of our groups.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Emily Ann was welcomed into the world by Dan and Rebecca Evans on August 16, 2023. Elena Grace arrived on August 20, 2023, to the joy of Erick and Amanda Shull and big brother Theodore. In humble obedience to God's Word, these parents offer their children for baptism in accordance with Scripture as a sign and seal of the covenant of grace into which they were born and will be raised. It is the hope of each of these parents that their daughters will remember their baptisms and, in time, that each of them will place her faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

**We will hold a Congregational Meeting immediately following the morning Worship Service for the purpose of electing new deacons.** The following men have been approved by the Session and are candidates for the office of Deacon- Luke Barclay, Cameron Day, and John Filburn. Our Book of Church Order stipulates that each candidate must receive a majority of the votes from eligible voters present to be elected to office. We will have the opportunity to ask questions of the officer candidates before voting.

**Our Wednesday Night Activities continue this week** with dinner at 5:45pm in Calvin Hall. Bible Study, youth group, catechism class and nursery begin at 6:30pm. Please utilize the RSVP slips in the pews to let us know you'll be taking part in the dinner. Make sure to include how many adults/children will be eating in your response! The cost of the meal is \$5/adult and \$2.50/child, with a family maximum of \$15.00. Shepherd's Pie is on the menu this week.

**The Sovereign Grace Bowl has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 3rd at 11:00 am at Huntingtowne Farms Park!** So get ready to end this year's Bowl season with some fun! The plans are the same, including the halftime Peewee Bowl if we can get enough kids to play. **Please RSVP** through the link on the enewsletter **by Monday, January 29th if you plan to attend.**

**Our Ladies' Bible Study on Thursday mornings will kick off on February 8th from 9:45-11:15 am in Calvin Hall.** We will be studying Ephesians together using an inductive Bible study book by Lydia Brownback. Please email Jennifer McArthur to reserve a book (jamcarthur98@gmail.com) and Kristin Bostian to reserve childcare (kristin.bostian@sovereigngrace.org).

**A ladies bi-weekly fellowship study** and led by Heidi Thomas and Dawn LaPlant at the Thomas home (13905 Colt Court Matthews, 28105) **will begin Tuesday, February 20th at 7:00 pm.** They are going through a video series by Nancy Guthrie called "God Does His Best Work with Empty." Contact Heidi (404)579-7899 or Dawn (704)564-8195 if you plan to attend or have any questions.

**Attention Artists of all ages and all skill levels!** The first Arts Committee event of the year will be an "Artist's Roundtable", which will feature a group discussion around the book "Art for God's Sake" by Philip Ryken. There will also be food, fellowship, and a little synopsis of why the Arts Committee exists. **This event will take place at the church on the evening of February 9th, 2024 at 7:00pm.** If you would like to participate, send an RSVP to Brittany Smith at bvssmith@gmail.com or 980-269-9115.

**Mark your Calendars! The Sovereign Grace Missions Conference will be March 9th-10th, 2024.** Our main speaker is Rev. Andy Young from Oxford Presbyterian Church in the United Kingdom. More information coming soon.

**Save the Date for VBS, June 17-21, 2024!** Set sail on a great jungle journey as we cruise from Genesis to Revelation and discover the 7 C's; Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. More details are in the enewsletter, including a link for registration.

**The Missions Committee is planning a summer mission trip to Honduras, July 13th-20th, to support the work of our missionaries, Aaron and Rachel Halbert.** More details will come soon, but please pray

about possibly being a part of this trip: through prayer, financial support, or going yourself. Please speak to Pastor Ben if you have questions.

### **Nursery Volunteers**

**Sunday, January 28th:** (Kylie Day, Captain)

**Sunday School 2's & 3's:** Alice Church, Brittany Drye

**Sunday School Toddlers:** Mary Williams, Jennifer McArthur

**Toddlers:** Paige Prevette, Susie Filburn

**2/3's:** Lindsay McCarley, Amanda McQuade

**Floater:** Faith Klazinga

**Youth:** Emily Ball

**Wednesday, January 31st:** Kristy Barclay, Libby Applegate

**Sunday, February 4:** (Alice Church, Captain)

**Sunday School 2's & 3's:** Mary Nash, Libby Applegate

**Sunday School Toddlers:** Lori Burroughs, Kristin Bostian

**Toddlers:** Adam Bostian, Elisa Bosworth

**2/3's:** Lynne Meena, John Filburn

**Floater:** Kylie Day

**Youth:** Evelyn Church

**Evening:** Kate Craig, Beth Smoak, Grace Burroughs

**Wednesday, February 7th:** Tom Waters, Mary Williams

### **Greeters**

**January 28th:** Laura Cooper and Layne Straka

**February 4th:** Lynne Gregory and Betsy Schoonhagen

### **Deacons on Duty**

**January 28th:** Pete Herran, Brian Brown

**February 4th:** Joe Ballou, Eddie Barrett

### **Brighton Gardens**

**January 28th:** Ron Barnwell (lead) & Catriona Anderson (piano)

**February 4th:** Jason McArthur (lead) & Victoria Mulch (piano)