



HOLY TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

March 14, 2021

Note: All hymn selections are included at the end of this document.

Reflection

“You will not get to steal quietly into heaven, into Christ’s presence, without a conflict and a cross.” – Samuel Rutherford

Musical Reflection

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken (sung by musicians)

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer
Heaven’s eternal days before thee, God’s own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

ENTERING GOD’S PRESENCE

Doxology

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

Call to Worship

Psalm 149:5-6

Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds. Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands.

Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise

O Church, Arise

- 1. O church, arise and put your armor on;
Hear the call of Christ our captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"
Reaching out to those in darkness.*
- 2. Our call to war, to love the captive soul,
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—
An inheritance of nations.*
- 3. Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.*
- 4. So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When, with Christ, we stand in glory.*

Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Leader (v. 1): I love you, O Lord, my strength.

**People (v. 2): The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my
salvation, my stronghold.**

Leader (v. 3): I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved
from my enemies.

**People (v. 4): The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction
assailed me;**

Leader (v. 5): the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

**All (v. 6): In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.**

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Prayer of Confession and Pastoral Prayer

Words of Comfort and Promise

Hebrews 4:14-16

“Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Hymn of Response

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Westminster Larger Catechism

Questions #181, 185

Q. 181. Why are we to pray in the name of Christ?

A. The sinfulness of man, and his distance from God by reason thereof, being so great, as that we can have no access into his presence without a mediator; and there being none in heaven or earth appointed to, or fit for, that glorious work but Christ alone, we are to pray in no other name but his only.

Q. 185. How are we to pray?

A. We are to pray with an awful apprehension of the majesty of God, and deep sense of our own unworthiness, necessities, and sins; with penitent, thankful, and enlarged hearts; with understanding, faith, sincerity, fervency, love, and perseverance, waiting upon him, with humble submission to his will.

Old Testament Reading

Hosea 12:3-6

In the womb he took his brother by the heel, and in his manhood he strove with God. He strove with the angel and prevailed; he wept and sought his favor. He met God at Bethel, and there God spoke with us—the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord is his memorial name: “So you, by the help of your God, return, hold fast to love and justice, and wait continually for your God.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Amen

Hymn of Preparation

Lead On, O King Eternal (#580)

At this time, children in pre-K through Kindergarten may be dismissed to the nursery classroom on the first floor.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Rev. Steve Light, Associate Minister

Genesis 32:22-32 – He Strives with God: Wrestle by the Earnest Prayer of Faith

The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob’s hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, “Let me go, for the day has broken.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.” ²⁷And he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.” ²⁸Then he said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed.” ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.” ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. ³²Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob’s hip on the sinew of the thigh.

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Musical Reflection

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (sung by musicians)

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our Refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Offering

(offering plates at exits)

Closing Hymn

For All the Saints

Benediction

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Genesis 32:22-32

**He Strives with God: Wrestle by the
Earnest Prayer of Faith**

I. The Christian Life Is One Characterized by _____.

II. The Christian ultimately strives with _____.

Implication 1: _____ is essential to the life of faith.

Implication 2: We have hope of prevailing because of the _____.

Implication 3: This praying is the grip of _____.

Implication 4: We have clearer and greater _____ than Jacob to encourage our faith and prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you are here to worship with us. Please take a moment to fill out the visitor's card in the pew in front of you! There is also a place for prayer requests on the back.

Current Sunday Schedule & Note on Social-Distanced Seating — We gather morning and evening each Sunday for worship, prayer and fellowship. **We do ask that you continue to RSVP each week** using the form found on the COVID-19 tab of our website so that we may assign seats when using the Sanctuary. Thank you for assisting us in this way as we seek to take these continued safety measure during this time.

9:15 am – Adult Sunday School Foundations Class and Children's classes

10:30 am – Worship Service

6:00 pm – Evening Worship & Prayer; Children's and youth Scripture & catechism memory

Men's & Women's Hebrews Bible Studies — **(OFF this week in light of Spring Break)** Both the men and women are studying the book of Hebrews in our Bible studies currently. Please join us. All studies take place at the church in large meeting rooms, and are offered via Zoom as well. These Zoom links and all other Bible Study materials and details can be found on the "Bible Studies" page of our website which is located under the "Ministries" tab. Jump in at any time.

After School Chapel and Arts & Music Program — **(OFF this week in light of Spring Break)** Each Tuesday afternoon, we offer a program for children K-5th grade in which we teach the arts from a biblical perspective. We begin with a chapel service at 3:30 pm led by our pastors who are teaching through the book of Colossians. **We would love for you to join us!** Contact Emma Beth Fisher (efisher@htpctampa.org) with questions.

Foundations (New Members' Class) — We continue our Foundations class during the Sunday School hour at 9:15 am each week. This class is structured for all of us: members, regular attenders and visitors alike and it will serve as the new members' class for those interested in joining the church. For all of us, it will lay groundwork for how we hope to move forward in the years ahead, by God's grace. Pray that we will commit ourselves to a unified vision of church life under the authority of God's Word. *Scripture alone. God's grace alone. Faith alone. Christ alone. All to the glory of God alone.* More details can be found on our website under the Sunday School page under the Ministries tab.

Installation Service for Steve Light & Outdoor Dinner Reception — Join us for an evening worship service on **Sunday, March 21st at 5:00 pm** and dinner to follow in the Courtyard. Please email the church office to RSVP office@htpctampa.org.

Church Work Day — Please mark your calendars and plan to roll up your sleeves for the first church work day we've had in a long time! There are MANY projects, large and small, that could use your help! We'll meet the morning of **Saturday, March 27th** to work on various building, parking lot, and landscape projects here on the church property. Please RSVP to Hope Bennett (or via our website under Events). Lunch will be provided!

Email List — We regularly send prayer needs, weekly event and RSVP reminders, and pastoral communications by email. If you are not currently receiving our emails and you would like to be added to our list, please email the church office office@htpctampa.org.

Church Directory — New directories are available at each of the Sanctuary exits as well as in each of the Foundations folders. Please take one and use this to stay connected with one another and pray for our church. We plan to print this again soon; **if you would like to be added to the directory**, there are contact information forms available at the exits which you can fill out and set in the offering plate today!

I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY

Words by Horatius Bonar
alt. by Kevin Twit
Music by Kevin Twit

Real Key

1. I heard the voice of, Je - sus say,
2. I heard the voice of, Je - sus say,
3. I heard the voice of, Je - sus say,

"Come un - to me and ly rest give,
"Be - hold I this free dark - ly world's rest give,
"I am to this dark - ly world's light

Lay down O wear - y, one lay down,
The liv - ing wa - ter, thy thirs - ty one,
Look un - to me thy thy morn' shall rise,

Your head up - on my and breast,
Stoop down and - drink days my and be live!
And all thy days my and be bright."

I came to Je - sus, as I was,
I came to Je - sus, and I drank,
I looked to Je - sus, and I found,

So wear - y, worn, and sad
From that life - giv star, - ing my stream
In Him my star, my sun

I found in Him my, rest - ing place, And He has made me glad
My thirst was quenched my, soul re - vived, And now I live in Him.
And in that light of, life I'll walk, 'Til pil - grim days are done.

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Lead On, O King Eternal

I am the LORD your God ... who directs you in the way you should go. Is. 48:17

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
 2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home:
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing where - e'er thy face ap - pears;

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
 thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might.

