# GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD

Deut. 4:32-35

A PSALM OF PRAISE Psalm 24B – The Earth and Its Riches (Stanzas 1, 4&5)

#### A PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD

Westminster Larger Catechism 52 (Hymnal Pg. 945)

#### A PSALM OF RESPONSE

Psalm 30 – O Lord, I Will Extol You (Stanzas 1, 2&5)

#### THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD

Triune God, help us to recognize and repent from our many sins. We confess that we have treasured many things above our Savior and have nurtured storehouses of idols that call for our worship. We have been elated when they smiled upon us and cast down and depressed when they cursed us instead of looking to you and basking in your unchangeable love. Sometimes we have even made an idol out of our spiritual disciplines, our Bible study, our prayer, our fasting, our service of others. Forgive us for finding our salvation, joy and identity in our strengths. Teach us instead to delight in and feast upon all the spiritual treasure you have lavished on us so richly in Christ, the banquet of his righteousness given to us, the abundant riches of his grace and kindness poured out on us, the glorious inheritance he has earned for us by his perfect obedience and death. Gracious Redeemer, thank you for your patience that has borne with us so long. Thank you for perfectly feasting and entering into the joys of life here on earth alongside those who rejoice. Thank you too for mourning and fasting perfectly alongside those who weep. Unite us to yourself with inseparable bonds so that nothing may ever draw us back from you. Help us to grow in putting on genuine righteousness without ever trusting in it to win your favor. Keep us grounded in your truth throughout the challenging times in which we live until that day when we finally see the glorious things that you have prepared for those who believe. That day will be all feasting, the end of fasting, praying, pleading, mourning, humbling, watching, fearing and sinning. Teach us to long for that last day and lead us to it soon. In Jesus' name, amen.

#### SILENT MOMENT FOR CONFESSING PERSONAL SINS

#### **GOD'S ASSURANCE THAT WE ARE PARDONED**

Yet even now, declares the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping and with mourning and rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and he relents over disaster. Joel 2:12–13

#### A PSALM OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

Psalm 116A – I Love the Lord, for He Has Heard My Voice (Stanzas 1-3)

## SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON

Colossians 1:9-14

Pew Bible Pg. 1251

**PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION** Followed by the Lord's Prayer ("Debts")

## OUR OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY TO GOD

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. *Old Hundredth L.M. (567)* 

## PREPARING WITH PRAISE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 195 – Shine Thou upon Us, Lord (Stanzas 1-3)

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Ephesians 1:15-23 Pew Bible Pg. 1241 Identity Maturation Pastoral Intern Sam Lukosius

## **RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S WORD**

Hymn 353 – Lamb, Precious Lamb

## **OUR LORD'S BENEDICTION**

## HIS CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel. For he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel. And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity. The whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be. - *McKee CM*  We extend a **cordial welcome** to the visitors in our service today.

Afternoon Study: The Lord's Supper -Lesson 4: What is it to receive the Supper unworthily?

Prayer Meeting: Wednesday, August 18th, 6:30 pm

**Christian Education 8:50 am -** Sunday, August 22nd, Chapter 26:26-46 R. C. Ryle's Matthew Study

**Birthdays:** August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Suzanne Neal

The missionary for this month - Ben and Heather Hopp, Haiti

Women and girls are invited to join us for a bridal shower to honor **Terra La Belle** in her upcoming wedding. The shower will take place at the church on September 4th, 2021, at 3pm. As an alternative to cards, please bring a book for Terra that held special meaning to you. Terra is registered at Amazon and Bed Bath & Beyond under the name Caleb Reinhardt. We look forward to celebrating with you! Please RSVP by August 21st to schyliej@icloud.com or 774-368-8300.

**10th Annual Cape Cod Reformed Conference - Rev. Dr. Jonny Gibson** will be leading us through the Old Testament Gospel of Isaiah with a focus on how God intends to transform our broken and fallen world through the atoning suffering of His Son and Servant, Jesus Christ. **Brochures are available at the Literature Table for you and for your family and friends.** Teaching, Fellowship, and a Saturday Lunch. Register at our website, presbyterianchurchofcapecod.com, or via the brochure. Every year this is a great blessing! Don't miss it! See Ellen Marcel if you have questions.

**Bulletin announcements** should be submitted to Elly Mead by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Please e-mail to pcccsecretary@gmail.com.

# Presbyterian Church of Cape Cod



"I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Psalm 122.1

*The Lord's Day* August 15th, 2021 Rev. Dr. James A. La Belle, Pastor

LIVE STREAMING @

http://presbyterianchurchofcapecod.com/live-stream/

#### Christian Education 8:50 - Morning Worship 10:00 am – Afternoon Study 4:30 pm

*We welcome you* to the Lord's house, to the worship of the living and true God, and into the fellowship of this congregation. If this is your first visit, please sign the guest book in the foyer.