



reformation
presbyterian church

January 23, 2022

A Congregation of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

How we worship: Each church has its own worship style, but worship is more than style. It begins with a heart for God through faith in Christ. It is also a dialogue between God and his people; he speaks, and we respond. Finally, worship is defined by God, not our imaginations. All that we do in worship (e.g. singing, praying, affirming our faith, preaching, etc.) comes from God's word. He promises to meet with us as we praise him in these ways.

Call to worship: God calls his people into his holy and loving presence in worship. As we worship we are blessed with the joy of the Lord. Today he graciously invites all people to worship through faith in Christ.

Worship through singing: God delights in hearing his people sing. As we sing our faith, we give praise to God and he transforms our hearts so that we are more like His Son.

WELCOME TO REFORMATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christ-centered · Gospel-driven · Kingdom-focused

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS — (see page 11)

Rev. Matt Lucas

MOMENT OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 103:1-5

Elder Michael Rhodes

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (ESV)

HYMN OF ADORATION — *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Trinity Hymnal #53 (vv. 1-3, 5)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty will do,
If with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
Sound from his people again;
Gladly fore'er we adore him.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

LORD'S PRAYER — Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH — *Heidelberg Catechism #21*

Elder: What is true faith?

People: **True faith is**
 not only a knowledge and conviction
 that everything God reveals in his Word is true;
 it is also a deep-rooted assurance,
 created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel,
 that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ,
 not only others, but I too,
 have had my sins forgiven,
 have been made forever right with God,
 and have been granted salvation.

Prayer of invocation:

Invocation means “to call upon.” Even as God calls us to worship, we call upon God to fill our hearts with his Spirit to assure us that we belong to him and to help us worship him in Spirit and truth.

Affirmation of our faith:

Believing God's truth sets us free from the lies of Satan, the world, and our sinful hearts. We affirm our faith in the truth each Sunday in order to worship God, strengthen our faith, and encourage one another.

Call to renewal: God calls his people to renew their commitment to him as he renews his commitment to us. Through his word, the sin that we hide is exposed, not to shame us, but to lead us to repentance so that we can be forgiven. With grateful hearts, we receive instruction in the way of righteousness.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE — *I Will Glory In My Redeemer* (vv. 1, 2)

Words and Music: Steve Cook | Vikki Cook

© 2001 Sovereign Grace Worship (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing (Integrity Music [DC Cook]))

I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
And hung Him on that judgment tree.

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the pow'r of sin and death;
My only Savior before the holy Judge;
The Lamb, Who is my righteousness,
The Lamb, Who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer;
My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another;
I'm satisfied in Him alone.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness my standing place;
Though foes are mighty and rush up on me,
My feet are firm, held by His grace,
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

CALL TO RENEWAL — Matthew 12:38-40

Rev. Zack Keuthan

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. (ESV)

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

God,

We believe. Help our unbelief. Your word is truth, yet we often doubt you. We blame our unbelief on not having enough signs or evidence, not realizing the problem is our own hardness of heart. Take away our hardness of heart and give us greater faith. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE — 1 Corinthians 1:18, 22-24

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. (ESV)

HYMN OF ASSURANCE — *Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

Trinity Hymnal #246

Man of Sorrows! what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned he stood,
Sealed my pardon with his blood:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we;
Spotless Lamb of God was he;
Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die,
"It is finished!" was his cry:
Now in heav'n exalted high:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King,
All his ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Matt Lucas

Confession of sin: Our sin isn't just about breaking rules, it's about hurting our relationship with a loving God who gave up his Son to save us. Grace softens our hard hearts so that we freely confess our sins during a time of silent confession. We also confess our sins together as the people of God have always done in worship.

Words of assurance: God uses his word to convict our conscience of sin, but he also assures us that we are forgiven through faith in Jesus Christ and dearly loved.

Children's Sermon: Please come forward for the children's sermon as we sing the last verse of the hymn. The children's sermon makes the Bible accessible to young children.

Parents: You are welcome to accompany your child to the front. Afterward, children 2-3 years of age may be dismissed to the nursery. Please gather in the narthex, and a deacon will lead you to the nursery.

Doxology: Doxology means "praise." We praise God because of his generosity to us.

Sermon: The Bible teaches us how to know Jesus and experience his saving work. The sermon is for proclaiming Jesus and how we can trust in him for salvation and live for his glory. For those who receive the Bible as the word of God, it is profitable to teach us, rebuke our sins, build us up in his grace, and train us in

Sermons available at
www.refpres.org

CHILDREN'S HYMN — *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*
Trinity Hymnal #679 (v. 1)

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise;
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Refrain:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

DOXOLOGY

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.

SERMON — *"Will You Truly Believe?"*

Rev. Matt Lucas

John 4:43-54

[43] After the two days he departed for Galilee. [44] (For Jesus himself had testified that a prophet has no honor in his own hometown.) [45] So when he came to Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him, having seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the feast. For they too had gone to the feast.

[46] So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. [47] When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. [48] So Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." [49] The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." [50] Jesus

said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. [51] As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. [52] So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." [53] The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." And he himself believed, and all his household. [54] This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee. (ESV)

SERMON OUTLINE

Jesus is the Savior who meets the deepest needs of those who truly believe.

True faith:

1. Seeks the Savior

2. Persists through testing

3. Acts according to Christ's word

HYMN OF COMMITMENT — *Speak, O Lord*

Words and Music: Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

© 2005 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE — *The Blessing*

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you.
And give you peace, and give you peace,
And give you peace forever.

The Lord be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face towards you.
And give you peace, and give you peace,
And give you peace forever.

POSTLUDE

Benediction: A benediction is not a prayer, but a pronouncement from God of his blessing and approval. God sends his people out to live in the strength of his blessing upon our lives.



Community Groups

Winter 2022

Leader: John Gates
Location: 121 Boyd Drive, Flat Rock (Oldham's)
Study: *The Gospel of John*
Contact: John at 907.244.7709 or jgatesway@gmail.com

Date: Sundays—beginning Jan. 16
Time: 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Leaders: Doug Dolan and Tom Shoger
Location: 1915 Little River Road, Flat Rock (Reid's)
Study: *The Book of Galatians*
Contact: Glen at 828.393.5004 or reidglen@protonmail.com

Date: Mondays—beginning Jan. 17
Time: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Leaders: David Taylor and Jamie Hunt
Location: 116 7th Ave. W., Hendersonville (Kirkside)
Study: *Knowing God* (J.I. Packer)
Contact: David at 757.375.5062 or dccmtaylor@gmail.com

Date: Tuesdays—beginning Jan. 18
Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM

Leader: Zack Keuthan
Location: 1034 Sylvan Blvd, Hendersonville
Study: *The Gospel of John*
Contact: Zack at 828.702.6807 or zack@refpres.org

Date: Wednesdays—beginning Jan. 26
Time: 6:15 - 7:30 PM

Leader: Levi Friedly
Location: 1232 Olde Chanteloup Ct., Hendersonville
Study: *1 John*
Children: Children welcome
Contact: Levi at 720.618.3533 or leviandaubrey@gmail.com

Date: Fridays, 1st and 3rd of month
Time: 6:00 - 8:30 PM
Start Date: beginning Jan. 21
Dinner: headcount needed

Additional Connections this Week

Wednesday **9:45 am** Women's Bible Study - Chapter 6 b in your study book
Friday **6:00 pm** Church Wide Bowling Night at Tar Heel Lanes
Saturday **7:30 am** 2/4 Men's Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Souper Bowl of Caring is now underway. Look for the “Souper Bowl of Caring” pot, located in the Narthex. Leave your canned goods for IAM no later than Sunday, February 13. Monetary donations are also needed.
2. Next Friday, January 28, 6:00 pm, there will be a Church-Wide Bowling Night at Tar Heel Lanes. Everyone is invited to attend.
3. Youth Group and SNL will resume on Sunday, February 6.

*The flowers today are given by
Eddie and Marty Reed to the Glory of God and
in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary..*

USHERS

January

Ben Oldham, Deane Potter, Steve Stage

Valet Parking is available
between 10:15 - 10:40 am

All songs used by permission: CCLI License #3128725
Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible,
English Standard Version® (ESV®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway,
a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers.
Used by permission. All rights reserved.

GET CONNECTED

(Place in offering plate)

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

RSVP to VISITOR'S DESSERT

I am visiting today

I'D LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

ARP Denomination

Baptism

Children's Ministry

Community Groups

Membership

Men's Ministry

Missions/Outreach

Music Ministry

Women's Ministry

Youth Ministry

Receive a call from a pastor

COMMENTS/PRAYER REQUESTS

(Continue on the back)

OFFICERS

Session Members

John Gates
Rev. Zack Keuthan
Rev. Matt Lucas
Michael Rhodes
David Taylor
Joseph Warren

Diaconate Members

Mark Dugle
Carlos Galvan
Phil Hanna
Kevin Keyzer
Bill Mitchell
Bill O'Brien

Bold: Denotes Officer of the Month

STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Senior Pastor Rev. Matt Lucas
Associate Pastor/Youth Rev. Zack Keuthan
Children's Ministry Director Sallye Lucas
Custodian Michael Rhodes
Librarian Elly Keuthan
Interim Music Director Rev. Eddie Reed
Musician Chris Zhang
Office Administrator Beth Hill
Treasurer Bob Johnson
Women's Ministries Gail Mitchell

Reformation Presbyterian Church

120 7th Avenue W, Hendersonville, North Carolina 28792

828.698.3536 | office@refpres.org

@refpres



www.refpres.org