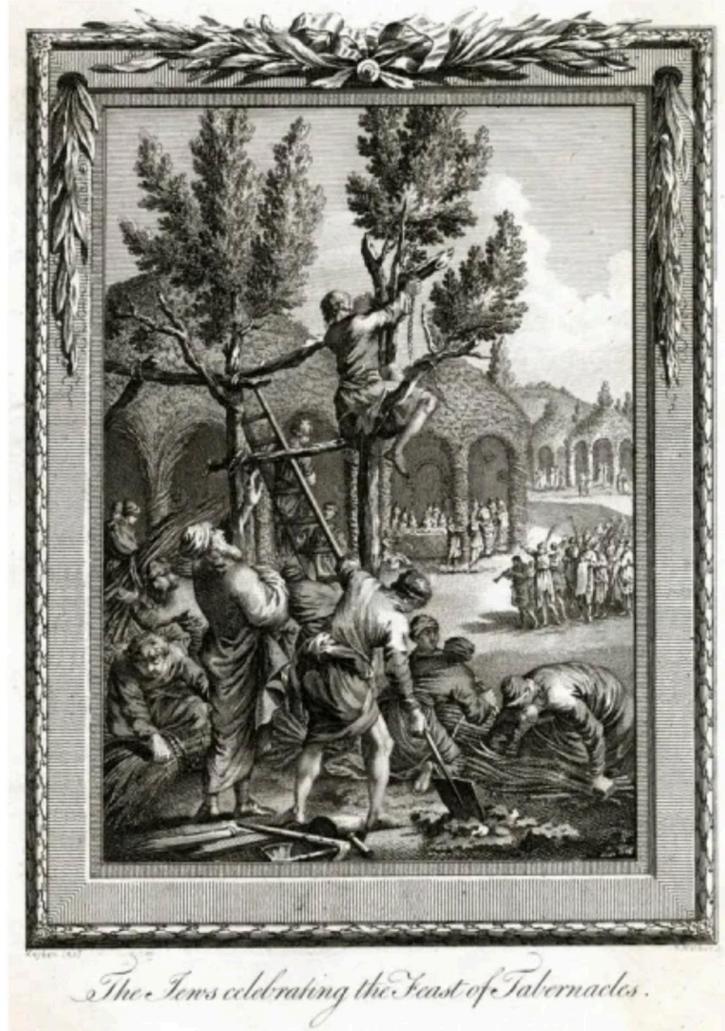


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REFORMED FELLOWSHIP



SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

08 MARCH 2026

PRAYER

CONFIDENCE
(from *The Valley of Vision*)

O GOD, THOU ART VERY GREAT,

My lot is to approach thee with godly fear and humble confidence,
for thy condescension equals thy grandeur,
and thy goodness is thy glory.

I am unworthy, but thou dost welcome;
guilty, but thou art merciful;
indigent, but thy riches are unsearchable.

Thou hast shown boundless compassion towards me
by not sparing thy Son,
and by giving me freely all things in him;

This is the foundation of my hope,
the refuge of my safety,
the new and living way to thee,
the means of that conviction of sin, brokenness of heart,
and self-despair, which will endear to me the gospel.

Happy are they who are Christ's,
in him at peace with thee,
justified from all things,
delivered from coming wrath,
made heirs of future glory;

Give me such deadness to the world,
such love to the Saviour,
such attachment to his house,
such devotedness to his service,
as proves me a subject of his salvation.

May every part of my character and conduct
make a serious and amiable impression on others,
and impel them to ask the way to the Master.

Let no incident of life, pleasing or painful,
injure the prosperity of my soul, but rather increase it.

Send me thy help,
for thine appointments are not meant to make me independent of thee,
and the best means will be vain without super-added blessings.

PRELUDE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

“...all who believed were together and had all things in common.” (Acts 2:44)

- **The Wilburs:** Joe, Claire, Scarlett, & Bear

PREPARATION

For Preparation

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him;
bless his name!”
(Psalm 100:04)

*At points in the worship service annotated (†), please stand if able.

† The Gloria Patri –with uplifted hands–

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, amen.

THE LORD CALLS US

† The Call to Worship

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

† From Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?
Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me,
yet I will be confident.
One thing have I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,

to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord
and to inquire in his temple.

And now my head shall be lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!

† Hymn – “O Worship the King” (528)

WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

Corporate Prayer of Confession (from Psalm 32)

Lord our God, your Word pronounces a blessing
on those who are assured of the forgiveness of their sins through confession;
Yet, often we are slow to confess our sins,
causing our spirits to groan, and making us susceptible to Satan’s accusations.

**We walk into the light now
and confess that we have sinned against you this week.
We have left undone certain good works you have called us to do,
and have done that which you have forbidden.
We have lied through half-truths and vague dodges.
We have dishonored our parents and others in authority.
We have harbored bitterness, and have gossiped about others,
Without taking our complaint directly to them.
We have envied others, believing Your grace towards us is meager and lacking.
Forgive us, O Lord.**

Franklin Kyrie

The musical score for "Franklin Kyrie" is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a guitar accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy; have mer-cy, Lord." and "Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer-cy; have mer - cy, Lord." The guitar chords are: Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Dm, C, Bb, Gm, Am, Dm.

Music: Gregory D. Wilbur, 2009 © wilburmusic.com
Text: Traditional

Silent Prayers of Confession –*kneeling, if able*–

✦ Assurance of Pardon – Psalm 103:12

“As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”

✦ Sursum Corda

So, lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

THE LORD CONSECRATES US

Franklin Sanctus

Chord markings: D, G, Asus, D, G, Asus, G, A, G, D, Asus, G, A D/F# G, D, A/G, G, Asus, G, A D/F# G, A D/F# G, A D/F# G, A D/F# G, A D, A D/F# G, A D/F# G, A D/F# G, A D.

Lyrics:
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly,
God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry.
Ho -
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -
Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. A - men.
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. A - men.

✠ Profession of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hades. On the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**catholic refers to the universal collection of God’s people throughout all time and from all places.*

✠ Heidelberg Catechism, Question 26

26. Q. What do you believe when you say: I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by his eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ his Son, my God and my Father. In him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that he will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul, and will also turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God, and willing also as a faithful Father.

✠ Hymn – “O God of Earth and Altar” (596)

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

*The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!***

New Testament Reading: Romans 5:1-11

*The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!***

✠ Hymn– “The Day Is Past and Gone” (1055)

Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

*When you hear, “Lord, in your mercy,” please respond with: **“Hear our prayer.”***

Sermon – “A Conspiracy in the Temple & an Untouchable Christ”

John 7:25-36
Pastor Brooks Potteiger

The Lord's Prayer (see #1108 for music)

Our Father, which 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 forever. Amen.

TITHES AND TRIBUTE OFFERINGS

God of all provision—
from Whom all things were created
and for Whom all things were created
we recognize in this moment that all we have is from you.

We are honored to be the King's stewards.

You have blessed us richly,
and we ask for wisdom in all of our financial dealings,
both personally and corporately.

**Receive this portion of our harvest which we bring to You
in faith, obedience, and with joy.**

† Hymn – “**God Moves in a Mysterious Way**” (632)

† Psalm – “**Jehovah to My Lord Has Said**” (337)

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

The Lord's Supper is a sacramental family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians, who are in good standing at a church that proclaims the gospel, to the table. By coming, you acknowledge that you have trusted in Christ alone for your justification before God, that you are currently at peace with God and neighbor, and that you are seeking to grow daily in holiness. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Brooks.

THE BREAD – “**It Is Well**” (see next page)

To display our unity, please wait to eat the bread until instructed.

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It Is Well

1. When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, When sor -
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let this
 3. My sin - oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought, My sin -
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds

rows like sea bil - lows roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
 blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my
 not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross and I
 be rolled back as a scroll, The trump shall re - sound and the

taught me to say, "It is well, it is well, with my soul."
 help - less es - tate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul. It is
 bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend, "E - ven so" - it is well with my soul.

well It is well with my soul; with my soul; It is well, it is well with my soul.

Chords: C, G, C, Am, D, G, C, F, Dm, G, C, G, C, G, C, F, C, F, C

THE WINE

We pass the wine with "the peace of Christ." You are welcome to drink the wine immediately and to fellowship freely during this time. If juice is desired, it will be the lighter liquid in the tray.

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

✦ Commissioning Hymn – “The Son of God Goes Forth to War” (1023)

✦ Charge

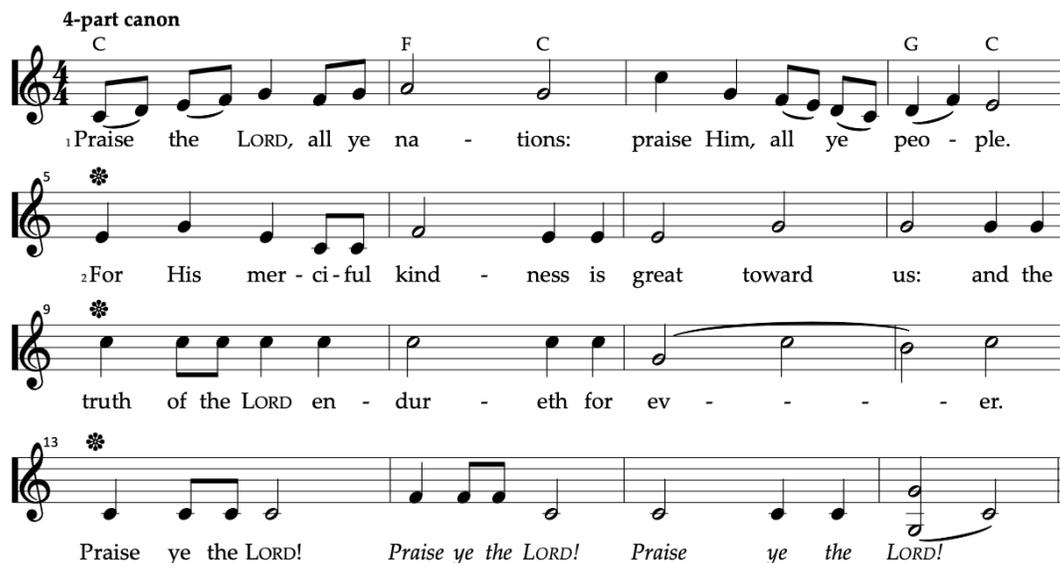
✦ Benediction (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

✦ Closing Doxology –with uplifted hands–

Psalm 117

4-part canon



¹Praise the LORD, all ye na - tions: praise Him, all ye peo - ple.

²For His mer - ci - ful kind - ness is great toward us: and the

truth of the LORD en - dur - eth for ev - - - er.

Praise ye the LORD! Praise ye the LORD! Praise ye the LORD!

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Text: *Holy Bible, King James Version, 1611; alt.*

Pastor: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

For Family Worship

Daily Catechesis

- **Weekly Heidelberg Catechism:** #26 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- **Hymn of the Week:** “It Is Well” (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Verse of the Week:** “But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.’” (James 4:6)
- **Prayer/Poem:** (see liturgy, pg. 1)

Prayer Requests

Current

- For the Haults as they head out on the next leg of their Story. For provision, blessings, and all the best things!
- Praise for the safe arrival of Sophie Stanifer!
- For Lesley Allen's grandmother whose cancer diagnosis took a hard turn this week.
- For a full recovery for Sam Groth after his lung surgery.
- Praise for a good report on the Carters' pregnancy.
- Healing for James Anderson's knee after a fall.
- Vocational favor for Sam VanHofwegen after a series of interviews.
- Please pray for Chris Groth's brother's wife Meg. She had finished cancer treatments but it's back and aggressive. They are believers with two sweet kids.
- Healing for those who have been sick.
- For salvation for Judah's co-worker Chris Straight, who has shown an openness to the gospel.
- For Judah's grandma, Janice, who continues to face some physical challenges
- For St. Mark Reformed - the church they rent from is disbanding as a congregation at the end of the year. Pray the Lord allow the building to come to St. Mark.
- Salvation for our unbelieving family members - thinking especially of Ryan Heft's cousin (Connor), and Becky's sister (Laura), brother (Orly) and his wife (Amanda) and daughters (Rose, Evey, and Arya).
- For Caleb Haymes, and his ongoing physical issues.
- For the folks who are newer to our community. That they would get established quickly.
- For our own place in God's timing.
- For the mothers who are with child. Safety for all the mommas and babies.

- **Sandy Huffman** - March
- **Madison Haymes** - March
- **Colby Abrams** - April
- **Joy Tingle** - April
- **Emily Wright** - May
- **Kimberly Hodges** - June
- **Tay Hoeks** - July
- **Paige Llewellyn** - August
- **Addyson Frymoyer** - August
- **Holly Carter** - August
- **Jordan Grubbs** - August
- **Pauline Heft** - Sept

If you become with child and want to be added to the prayer list, please email naomi@pilgrimhill.church

Ongoing

- For peace and provision for our church as we look ahead to pastor Brooks' transition to DC
- For a teaching elder for the new CREC plant in Columbia, King's Cross Reformed Church
- Favor and wisdom for those who have businesses, or are dreaming of starting one.
- Provision, peace, wisdom, and diligence for those feeling the financial pinch
- Great wisdom for Pete in his role as SecDef and continued protection - both spiritual and physical - for the Hegseths
- For the ministries we financially support:
 - Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy: Provision, protection, and wisdom
 - The Joint Eastern European Project (J.E.E.P.): See their website for current prayer requests
 - Recovery Refuge House in Ridgetop

Upcoming Events

NEW in 2026 - MID-WEEK THURSDAY GATHERINGS

- 6:00-6:40pm Food | 6:45-7:15 Bible Study | 7:15-7:30 Singing
- JANUARY- 8th & 22nd | FEBRUARY 12th/26th | MARCH 12th/26th | APRIL 9th/23rd | MAY 7th

MEN'S WEEKLY BOOK STUDY

- Fridays at 6:15 am on Pastor Brooks's back porch

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP MEALS

- First Sunday of every month
- Immediately following the service at the church
- No Sunday School on these days
- **If you would like to serve on the fellowship team, email Sharon Haney at daylily1980@comcast.net**

Officers:

The Session:

- Pastor Brooks Potteiger – pastor@pilgrimhill.church
- Assistant Pastor Clint Lum – pastorclint@pilgrimhill.church
- Josh Boyd (Ruling Elder)

The Diaconate:

- Chris Boyd
- Shelyv Huffman
- Scotty Rowlett

**Submit a question for Pastor Brooks
for an upcoming Q&A:**



**Church-wide Signal Thread
for Announcements:**



Meal sign-up for Recovery Refuge:



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