

# Pilgrim Hill

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SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

16 MARCH 2025

## PRAYER

### **Come, Fountain of Light**

**(Synesius from *Fount of Heaven: Prayers of the Early Church*)**

True Son of the eternal King, before the foundations of the earth were laid.

Lord, Father of all, by which was born the Christ.

A virgin's pain brought the Light of Life to a forlorn world.

A man! And yet, of ages gone—and of all ages yet to come.

Throughout eternity, you are the one, the upholder, the perfecter, and the sun.

You are the fountain of light, O Christ, and light of the Father's light.

You are the bright ray. You swept away the darkness, turning night to day.

You are the founder of the world, who molded the starry sphere.

The moon borrows its power from you, easing the gloom of night.

Through you, the year is crowned with its fruit. Flocks and herds are fed.

You make the ground bring forth with its harvest. You give bread to the poor.

From your overflowing supply of indescribable grace and love,

you pour fertile sunshine over the surface of every world.

From you spring forth light, mind, and soul. Fountain of love, we bless you, Father,

our rock and strength. Divine Son, and Holy Breath, who crowns you both.

Spirit, your gifts bring us to life as they roll over us like waves.

You with the Father, send him down

to cheer and fertilize my soul. Amen.

## PRELUDE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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*“And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.” (Genesis 17:7)*

- **Montgomery Lee VanHofwegen**, son of Samuel and Sydney VanHofwegen

#### **Congregation Response – “I Bind unto Myself Today,” v. 9 (for music, see #794)**

9. I bind unto myself today,  
The strong name of the Trinity:  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One and One in Three,  
Of Whom all nature hath creation,  
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation  
Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

## PREPARATION

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### **For Preparation**

“Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God,  
that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name  
(Hebrews 13:15)

### **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

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### **The Call to Worship**

Grace to you from God our Father  
And the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord be with you!  
**And also with you!**

### **Psalm 95:1-7a**

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
**let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the LORD is a great God,

**and a great King above all gods.**

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

**let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

For he is our God,

**and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

So saints of God, let us sing to the LORD;

**let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

## Psalm – “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (649)

### WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

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#### Corporate Prayer of Confession (from Psalm 32)

Holy God, You look graciously on those who are humble and contrite, yet we have arrogantly neglected Your Word.

**We confess our sins—lust, lies, and bitterness.**

**We hide nothing from You.**

**Forgive us, Lord, according to Your steadfast love.**

We have failed to love as You commanded, putting ourselves above others.

**We hide nothing from You.**

**Forgive us, Lord, according to Your steadfast love.**

Teach us to fear You and delight in Your law. Help us live in glad obedience.

**Strengthen us in our weakness.**

**Forgive us according to Your steadfast love.**

**In Christ’s name, Amen.**

### 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 vocal melody, each with a corresponding guitar chord progression. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy; have mer-cy, Lord. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer-cy; have mer - cy, Lord. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy; have mer - cy, Lord." The guitar chords are: Dm C Bb Dm C Bb Dm C Bb Gm Am Dm (repeated for each system).

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

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

**Assurance of Pardon – Isaiah 1:18**

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

**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**

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**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, 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 Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

## The Westminster Shorter Catechism: #21-22

Q. 21. Who is the redeemer of God's elect?

**A. 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 continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.**

Q. 22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

**A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.**

## Hymn – “The Day is Past and Gone” (1055)

### Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 26:8–15

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

New Testament Reading: Luke 13:31–35

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

## Hymn – “O Church, Arise” (840)

### Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

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

## Sermon – “In the Beginning was the Word”

**John 1:1-5**  
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**

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Generous and loving God,  
We bring you our tithes and offerings  
With glad and grateful hearts.  
Guide us as stewards of your abundance,

**For the glory of Christ and the good of our neighbor.  
Amen.**

**Hymn – “Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands” (974)**

**Hymn – “Come, Thou Almighty King” (536)**

## **THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US**

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### **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 – “Come, Thou Fount” (see next page)**

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

# Come, Thou Fount

Guitar chords do not match vocals.

D A D G D A D

1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
 2. Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; Hith - er by Thy help I've come;  
 3. *Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!*  
 4. Oh! that day, when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy love - ly face;  
 5. If Thou ev - er didst dis - cov - er To my faith the prom - ised land,

A D G D A D

Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 And I hope, by Thy good pleas - ure, Safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
*Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee:*  
 Rich - ly clothed in blood - washed lin - en, How I'll sing Thy sov - 'reign grace.  
 Bid me now the stream pass o - ver, On the Heav'n - ly bor - der stand;

G D G D

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
*Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;*  
 Come, my Lord, no long - er tar - ry, Take my ran - somed soul a - way;  
 Now sur - mount what - e'er op - pos - es, In - to Thine em - brace I'd fly;

A G D A D

Praise the mount—I'm fixed up - on it— Mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.  
 He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
*Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.*  
 Send Thine an - gels now to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.  
 Speak the word Thou spake to Mo - ses; Bid me, "Get thee up and die."

Music: John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, II, 1813

Text: Robert Robinson (1735–1790)

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## 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

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## Commissioning Hymn – “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” (518)

### Exhortation

#### Benediction (Hebrews 13:20-21)

“Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

#### Closing Doxology –with uplifted hands–

### Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551  
Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

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Pastor: Peace be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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## For Family Worship

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### Daily Catechesis

- **Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism:** #20-21 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- **Hymn of the Week:** “Come, Thou Fount” (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Proverb of the Week:** “A slack hand causes poverty, but the hand of the diligent makes rich.” (Proverbs 10:4)
- **Prayer:** “Come, Fountain of Light” (From *Fount of Heaven*) (see liturgy, pg. 1)

## Prayer Requests

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### *Current*

- For Chris Smith's mother, who suffered a ruptured appendix this week
- Health for all the pregnant mothers
- That Sondra's cancer would be totally gone, and that Sondra's affliction would be used to bring unbelieving family members to Christ
- Prayer for the Haymes family as they look towards Caleb's kidney transplant in the next few months. Peace, provision, and logistical grace
- For healing for Brooke Stanifer amidst a prolonged physical affliction, and a clear diagnosis
- Great wisdom for Pete in his role as SecDef and continued protection - both spiritual and physical - for the Hegseths
- For a permanent building
- Provision, peace, wisdom, and diligence for those feeling the financial pinch

### *Ongoing*

- 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.
- For Burke Shade, an elder at St. Mark (and currently on our session) whose cancer has come back. Pray that the upcoming treatments will be successful, and for peace for him and his family.
- For those who are waiting to hear back about job promotions, and the opening of other vocational doors. May the Lord bless us with productive plows and fruitful fields.
- For repentance, reformation and revival to grow in our land.
- For salvation for extended family members who have not turned to Christ.
- For healing for all who are suffering from physical ailments.
- 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

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### PARISH GROUPS

- **The 1st and 3rd weeks of the month. Contact group for specifics**
- Purpose: to facilitate greater fellowship amongst geographically-connected saints
- Accomplished primarily through bi-weekly meetings for table fellowship, prayer, singing, and typically sermon-based questions or a series-guided study
- Groups
  - **Goodlettsville - the Potteigers**
  - **Ridgetop - the Lums**
  - **Whites Creek/S. Goodlettsville - the Tawls/Coppers**
  - **North - hosted by the Pitts**
- Use QR code below to get connected in one
- \*days subject to change for some groups

### SUNDAY SCHOOL – A study through Ecclesiastes

- Sundays, at 9am (except the 1st Sunday of the Month)
- Hot coffee, warm fellowship, rich teaching and discussion!

**MARCH**

**27th - Festal Shout!**

**OTHER**

***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](mailto:daylily1980@comcast.net)**

***Women's Book Study: My Dear Hemlock***, by Tilly Dillehay

- Hosted by Jennifer Smith on select Saturdays, from 9-11am
- Schedule:
  - March 20 - letters 24-29

***Upcoming Women's Park Meetups:***

- Check Signal for details and changes!

**Officers:**

The Session:

- Pastor Brooks Potteiger – [brooks@pilgrimhill.church](mailto:brooks@pilgrimhill.church)
- The Session of St. Mark Reformed (pro tempore) – [stmarkreformed.com/contact](http://stmarkreformed.com/contact)

The Diaconate:

- Chris Boyd
- Nathan Haney
- Shelvy Huffman

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For the church website & calendar:



Meal sign-up for Recovery Refuge:



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