



The Worship of God

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Harbor's mission is to exist as a FAMILY of God's people to GLORIFY God in all things, by PREACHING the gospel of Jesus Christ crucified, EQUIPPING His saints, and ENGAGING our community and the world with the love of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: Psalm 42:1-5 (selections) (Please Read Responsively)

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?

My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all the day long, "Where is your God?"

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my salvation.

WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US (PRAYER OF INVOCATION)

"HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION"

Trinity Hymnal #94 (vs 1-4, 6)

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to His foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no never forsake.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS TOGETHER

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken; give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS IN OUR HEARTS (Silently)

GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN: Psalm 57:1

Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.

"THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD (LAMENTATIONS 3)"

His affection never wearies, and his mercy never ends.

He reminds me every morning, "I am still your faithful friend."

He is good to those who seek him. I will wait for him to bless.
And the Lord will be my portion In the empty wilderness.

In the goodness of the Lord, In the goodness of the Lord,
I will wait for him and set my hope In the goodness of the Lord.

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH TOGETHER: Westminster Larger Catechism #56

Q. 56. How is Christ to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world?

A. Christ is to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world, in that he, who was unjustly judged and condemned by wicked men, shall come again at the last day in great power, and in the full manifestation of his own glory, and of his Father's, with all his holy angels, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, to judge the world in righteousness.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 63:1

A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah. O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

“PSALM 73”

Surely God is good, To all the pure in heart.
But as for me, my feet had almost slipped,
I nearly lost my grip, For I envied, the arrogant,
They are free, from my burdens.

Surely I, in vain, Have kept my, my heart pure.
And surely they are strong and free from trials.
While I am so confused, Then I entered Your holy place,
Then I saw their destiny.

Surely, they’re cast down, As those on slippery ground.

As dreams fade when we wake, so they become,
Completely swept away. In my heart I was arrogant,
Like a beast before You.

Yet always You are near, You guide me by Your Word.
And always, my Lord God, You are my strength,

My portion You will be, You’re my refuge, my Sovereign Lord,
I will sing of Your awesome deeds.

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WE READ FROM GOD’S WORD 2 Corinthians 4:15-18

¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self^[a] is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION

Michael Colvard

WE WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS *(Our mailing address is:
Harbor Church, PCA, P.O. Box 4025, Mooresville, NC 28117) *counted & deposited every
two weeks*

“PSALM 63: PART II (verses 6-10) *Midnight thoughts recollected, *to the tune of “O Church of Christ Invincible”*

1 'Twas in the watches of the night
I thought upon thy power,
I kept thy lovely face in sight
Amidst the darkest hour.

2 My flesh lay resting on my bed,
My soul arose on high: -
"My God, my life, my hope," I said,
"Bring thy salvation nigh."

3 My spirit labors up thine hill,
And climbs the heav'nly road;
But thy right hand upholds me still,
While I pursue my God.

4 Thy mercy stretches o'er My head
The shadow of thy wings;
My heart rejoices in thine aid,
My tongue awakes and sings.

5 But the destroyers of my peace
Shall fret and rage in vain;
The tempter shall for ever cease,
And all my sins be slain.

6 Thy sword shall give my foes to death,
And send them down to dwell
In the dark caverns of the earth,
Or to the deeps of hell.

*7 Thus till my last expiring day
I'll bless my God and King;
Thus will I lift my hands to pray,
And tune my lips to sing.

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“WE PRAISE GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS” (DOXOLOGY)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. / Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WE HEAR FROM GOD’S WORD: *Psalms 63*

“Enjoying Christ and Suffering”

Pastor Michael Colvard

THIS WEEK WE ARE PRAYING FOR:

Missionary:	Tennant & Candi Brastow <i>Campus Outreach Charlotte, Davidson College</i>
Community Program or Need:	Our Enemies
Church in our Presbytery:	Christ Church at River’s Edge <i>Belmont, NC</i> Rev. Doug Agnew & Assoc. Rev. Eugene Oldham
Harbor Church:	Our Outreach to the Community
Outreach:	Courage to invite someone to church or small group