



**9:30 am Worship Service  
September 11, 2022**

We are so glad you are worshipping with us this morning!

**Reformed Presbyterian Church** exists to be a stream of God's refreshing grace for people from all walks of life.

**TODAY'S SPEAKER:** Rev. Keith Irvine  
Worship Leader: Rusty Rutter, Ruling Elder  
Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

**PRELUDE** *Christ Our Glory/ D. Zimmer/N. Stiff*  
RPC Worship Team

### **WORDS OF GREETING**

### **WE APPROACH GOD**

IN WORD Psalm 100 (ESV)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

People: **Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

Leader: Know that the LORD, he is God!

People: **It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People: **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 119

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

**WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

**People: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
We have sinned against you  
and against our fellow man,  
In thought and word and deed,  
In the evil we have done  
And in the good we have not done.  
Through ignorance, through weakness,  
Through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
Forgive us all that is past,  
And grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life,  
To the glory of your name.**

**Leader: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.**

Isaiah 53:4-5 (ESV)

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Soli Deo Gloria*

*To God Be the Glory/Glory to God*

**Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.  
And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth...For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.**

John 1:1-2, 14 & 16 (ESV)

*Christ Our Glory* (new)

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

*Come Unto Me/ L. Nickel*

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:11-22 (ESV)

SERMON

*Christ Is the Peace of God*  
Rev. Keith Irvine

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **170**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

\*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR  
(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

**TODAY'S SPEAKER:** We welcome **Rev. Keith Irvine** back to our pulpit today. Keith and Becky Irvine were long-time members at RPC. Keith joined the Westminster Presbyterian Church staff as an Associate Pastor in 2007 and retired in 2021. They have three married children and ten grandchildren: Matt and Jenn Irvine, Josh and Sara Irvine, Charity and Stephen Jones.

**Courage to Teach Workshop:**


Sat., October 1, 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

Register at: [www.ephratarpc.com](http://www.ephratarpc.com).

Cost is \$10 per person. (Adults and youth are needed for childcare for RPC families attending workshop. Paid opportunity. Contact Emily Rudy)

**ESL:** RPC is hoping to launch English classes in January. We are looking for individuals who are willing to lead the launch and oversee the ongoing maintenance of the ministry. Please contact Pastor Kevin or the office if interested.

**Parade Night Outreach, Wednesday, September 21** at 6:45 pm. Join us at the church to hand out small info packets up/down Locust Street. We will also have a station set up in the church for kids to decorate bags for the parade candy they collect. Popcorn, cake & drink will also be available. Thank you so much!  
**Sign-up in the narthex by next Sunday, September 18!**

<b>This week</b>		<i>Visit our website <a href="http://www.ephrtarpc.com">www.ephrtarpc.com</a></i>	
Today	9:30 am	Worship Service	
	11:00 am	Sunday school Kick off, Children's class, 3rd floor (Adult Café class, 11:10 in the sanctuary)	
Fri-Sun		Youth Family Weekend Retreat	
Next Sun.	9:30 am	Worship Service	
	11:00 am	Sunday school; Adult Café class, 3rd floor, 11:10 am	

### **Family Matters for Prayer and Praise**

**Pastor Tom Nicholas's** new email: [tenicholas6@gmail.com](mailto:tenicholas6@gmail.com)

**Evelyn Martin**, 4 years old, broke her leg and is in a cast.

**Ellen Latschar** recovering from heart surgery. A meal sign-up will be posted soon—when she is released from the hospital.

**Rick Bernarduci** is undergoing tests on his left eye to determine treatments.

**Ann Steen** is recovering from hip surgery.

**Ed Martin's** brother Frank has lung cancer.

**Marie Eidemiller** is home and feeling better. Pray for her to regain strength.

**Pastoral Search Committee** update: We are starting to receive applications. Your prayers are appreciated.

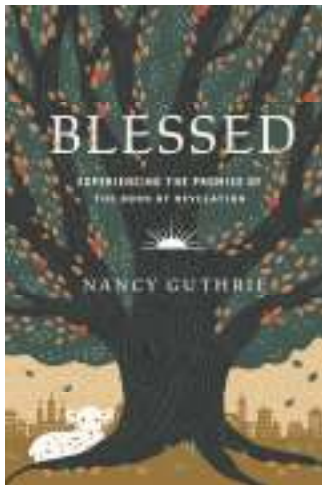
***Sunday school resumes today!!***



## ***In the Year of Our Lord***

### **An overview of Church History**

This year's CAFE class will be a whirlwind overview of Church History from Pentecost to today taught by Anthony Martin and possibly a special guest or two. Be ready to be informed about the good, the bad, and the weird of church history and be reminded that times may have been challenging but the Lord has always been faithful.



## **Women's Bible study**

begins this week with the study of Revelation, using Nancy Guthrie's book, *Blessed*. Books are \$13 if ordered from Deb Felak.

*Ladies please choose the time that is best for you and join us!*

**Wednesday evenings** at 7:00 pm  
at RPC beginning September 14  
and

**Thursday mornings** at 9:30 am  
at Alison Carzola's beginning September 15.



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Group Name: Ephrata RPC

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## Song Lyrics

### 119 *I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

I sing th' almighty pow'r of God, that made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food,  
He formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced  
them good.  
Lord, how your wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,  
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below, but makes your glories  
known;  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from your throne;  
While all that borrows life from you is ever in your care,  
And everywhere that man can be, you, God, are present there.

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*, Words by Isaac Watts, Music Trad. English Melody arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams © Public domain CCLI License # 79597

## **Soli Deo Gloria**

Let the mountain maker come and take His place  
Let the ocean in our hearts be still and wait  
For the coming of our King, For the wonders that He brings  
Let His majesty shine And be lifted on high

When You move, there's nothing left to do  
But stand in awe and wonder, You're like no other  
When You speak, all power is released  
We stand in awe and wonder There is no other

You're the champion in confidence of earth  
In Your presence, we're reminded of our worth  
We've been chosen by our King,  
See the wonders that He brings  
Let His majesty shine And be lifted on high

When You move, there's nothing left to do  
But stand in awe and wonder, You're like no other  
When You speak, all power is released  
We stand in awe and wonder There is no other

Glory to our God alone, Soli Deo gloria  
You reign forever on Your throne, Soli Deo gloria  
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### **To God Be the Glory**

To God be the glory great things He has done  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life gate that all may go in

#### Chorus

Praise the Lord praise the Lord  
Let the earth hear His voice  
Praise the Lord praise the Lord  
Let the people rejoice  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
And give Him the glory great things He has done

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood  
To every believer the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly believes  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things He has taught us  
Great things He has done  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son  
But purer and higher and greater will be  
Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see

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### **Glory to God**

Glory to God, glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God,  
Glory to God in the high – est.



### **Christ Our Glory**

Our rest is in heaven; our rest is not here  
Then why should we tremble when trials draw near?  
Be still and remember Christ carries our pain  
He shares in our suffering -through Him hope will reign

Christ our glory, Christ our hope  
Christ our King forevermore  
Our Savior's in heaven; He rules from His throne,  
And cares for the people He chose as His own  
No hours should be wasted on seeking our joy  
And placing our hope in what will be destroyed  
We look for a city that hands have not raised  
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Christ our glory, Christ our hope  
Christ our King forevermore  
We look for a city that hands have not raised  
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Though trouble and anguish increase all the more  
They cannot compare to the glory in store  
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls  
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore  
Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore  
Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore  
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls  
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

*170 Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling starry host;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine.

## Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22 (ESV)

<sup>11</sup> Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—<sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.<sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.<sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility<sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,<sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.<sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.<sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.<sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,<sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,<sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.<sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.