



## Reformed Presbyterian Church

9:30 am Worship Service

January 21, 2024

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

Anthony Martin, a Ruling Elder, completed an internship at RPC in 2022.  
Worship Leader: Dr. Tim Witmer, Interim Pastor

**PRELUDE**                      *To God Be the Glory (Hymn #55)/* arr. E. Rogers  
*Come, Christians, Join to Sing (Hymn #302)/* arr. P. Dickens

### WORDS OF GREETING

### WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD    Psalm 90:1-4, 12, 14, 16-17 (ESV)

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: **Before the mountains were brought forth, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: You return man to dust and say "return, O children of man!"

People: **For a thousand days in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch of the night.**

Leader: So teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

People: **Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Leader: Let your work be shown to your servants and your glorious power to their children.

People: **Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us, yes, establish the work of our hands.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 57 *Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul*

**\*WE CONFESS OUR FAITH** Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV)

Leader: Who is this Jesus, who we worship?

People: **He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.**

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Your Grace is Enough  
Doxology (Romans 11)*

Leader: 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 and my God. By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

Psalm 42:5, 8 (ESV)

*Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)*

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

(4 years old to 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name/* arr. B. K. Smith

Kathleen Golias, Piano

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 (ESV)

SERMON

*The Potentate of Time*

Anthony Martin

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **295**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

\*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

(4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare/ J. Lemmens*

## Song Lyrics

### *57 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul*

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.  
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;  
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;  
He is blessed whose hope of blessing  
On the Lord his God is stayed.  
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;  
He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free,  
Raises those bowed down with anguish,  
makes the sightless eye to see.  
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger He befriends,  
helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;  
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.  
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King;  
unto Him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

***Your Grace Is Enough***

Great is Your faithfulness O God  
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart  
You lead us by still waters into mercy  
And nothing can keep us apart

(So) remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along

(So) remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

Your grace is enough  
Heaven reaches out to us  
Your grace is enough for me

Your grace is enough  
I'm covered in Your love  
Your grace is enough for me for me

***Doxology (Romans 11)***

Oh, the depth of the riches  
of the wisdom and knowledge of God  
How unsearchable His judgments  
How untraceable His paths

Who knows the mind of our God  
and who can bring counsel to Him?  
Who has given to God  
that God should repay?

For from Him, and through Him  
and to Him, is everything

To God be the glory forever and ever  
To God be the glory forever, amen

***Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)***

Be still, my soul, The Lord is on thy side  
Bear patiently, the cross of grief or pain  
Leave to thy God, to order and provide  
In every change, He faithful will remain  
Be still, my soul, thy best thy heavenly friend  
Through thorny ways, leads to a joyful end

Be still, my soul, thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past  
Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last  
Be still, my soul, the waves and wind still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone  
Be still, my soul

Be still, my soul, the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord  
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored  
Be still, my soul, when change and tears are past  
All safe and blessed, we shall meet at last

In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone  
Be still, my soul  
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*295 Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne,  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,  
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace,  
whose pow'r a scepter sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
absorbed in prayer and praise;  
his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet  
fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:  
all hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me:  
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.



## Scripture Reading

### Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 (ESV)

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

<sup>2</sup> a time to be born, and a time to die;  
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;  
<sup>3</sup> a time to kill, and a time to heal;  
a time to break down, and a time to build up;  
<sup>4</sup> a time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;  
<sup>5</sup> a time to cast away stones,  
and a time to gather stones together;  
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;  
<sup>6</sup> a time to seek, and a time to lose;  
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;  
<sup>7</sup> a time to tear, and a time to sew;  
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;  
<sup>8</sup> a time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time for war, and a time for peace.

<sup>9</sup> What gain has the worker from his toil? <sup>10</sup> I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. <sup>11</sup> He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. <sup>12</sup> I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; <sup>13</sup> also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

<sup>14</sup> I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him.