

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

OUR GOD IS IN THE HEAVENS,
HE DOES WHATEVER HE PLEASES

The Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

arr. L. Larson

The Call to Worship

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Hymn of Praise No. 75

O Father, You Are Sovereign

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made; your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man; no pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan. All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space, you hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain, transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain. All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could, your love pursues its purpose— our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now, but soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew: our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

Margaret Clarkson, 1982, Melchior Teschner, ca. 1615

The Invocation

Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Confession 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 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.

The Psalm

To You, O Lord, I Fly (Psalm 16)

To you, O Lord, I fly and on your help depend; you are my Lord and King Most High; great God, my soul defend. A heritage for me Jehovah will remain; my portion rich and full is he, my right he will maintain.

The lot to me that fell is beautiful and fair; the heritage in which I dwell is good beyond compare. I praise the Lord above whose counsel guides aright; my heart instructs me in his love in seasons of the night.

I keep before me still the Lord whom I have proved; at my right hand he guards from ill, and I shall not be moved. Life's pathway you will show, to your right hand will guide, where streams of pleasure ever flow, and boundless joys abide.

From Psalm 16:1, 2, 5-8, 11, *The Psalter*, 1912, music by Franklin L. Sheppard, arr. By Edward Barnes

The Scripture Reading

Genesis 17:15-27

The Offertory

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Mark Kellner

Men's Ensemble

Children ages 2-4 may come forward for the Children's Message. Afterward, those in the 2-3-year-old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.

The Children's Message

Rev. Cangelosi

The Psalm

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your holy word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness that the light of Christ might be seen today, in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us, all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds. Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend © 2005 Thankyou Music CCLI 600485

The Intercessory Prayer

Ruling Elder Steve Morris

The Scripture Reading

Romans 9:1-13

The Sermon

Rev. Cangelosi

Evangelism and Election

The Hymn of Response No. 469

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room, when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

Words by Isaac Watts, Old Irish Hymn melody

The Benediction

Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude

Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"

arr. D. Wagner

**EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 P. M.**

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Rev. Dean Williams. We are reading through the book of Acts and working through the Westminster Larger Catechism on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Acts 6 and WLC #36-37.

Corporate Encouragement
Joshua 3

WELCOME VISITORS!

Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray the Word of God and the people of God will be an encouragement to you today.

- Scan the QR code to fill out our online information form.
- Visit our website to learn more about us: pearorchard.org.
- Make use of our Nursery for your children under 2. Our cry room, located in the Parlor south of the Sanctuary, is also available.
- Attend one of our Sunday School classes, 10:00-10:45 a.m. every Sunday morning. See the monitors for locations.



- Join us for Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. tonight.
- Check out our Wednesday Night Ministries. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., with ministry opportunities for all ages at 6:30 p.m.
- We have a thriving disability ministry (Sonbeams) that is here to serve all individuals and families touched by disability.

NEWS IN BRIEF

- **Lord's Supper Next Sunday Morning:** Please prepare your heart this week for the celebration of the Lord's Supper, in obedience to I Corinthians 11:27-28. Examine yourself regarding your knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of your faith to feed upon Him, and of your repentance, love, and new obedience (Westminster Shorter Catechism #97).
- **Monthly Prayer for Missions:** Next Sunday from 5:00-5:45 p.m., join us in the Sanctuary to pray for our missionaries, church planters, ministry partners, and the progress of the gospel in our hearts and around the world.
- **Easter Choir Begins this Wednesday, March 1.** Join us every Wednesday in the choir room from 6:30-7:30 p.m. as we prepare music for Good Friday and Easter services.
- **Nursery Employee Needed:** We are in need of an adult nursery employee to work the nursery desk and/or work in a nursery room. Contact Jan Johnson at jjohnson@pearorchard.org for more information.
- **Sonbeams Night Out:** March 3rd from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Team Access and Sonbeams Team meet at 5:00 p.m. for pizza and to set up. All other volunteers please meet at 5:55 p.m. in the gym for training.
- **New Members Class Begins Next Sunday:** If you would like to join Pear Orchard Presbyterian Church, or learn more about our congregations, come to our New Member Class in Room 127 of the Education Building during Sunday School (10:00-10:45 a.m.) from March-May. Email Pastor Caleb at caleb@pearorchard.org if you have any questions about the class.
- **It's the Season for Sickness.** Please do not use the nursery if your child has had any of the following symptoms in the last 48 hours: coughing, sneezing, runny nose or eyes, fever of 100 or above, vomiting, diarrhea, inflamed mouth and/or throat, non-clear nasal discharge or a rash.
- **POPC Spring Fellowship:** we could use your help! If you would like to donate Easter eggs, please leave 2-3 dozen filled plastic eggs in the Children's Ministry office by March 19. If you would like to assist in setting up please contact Jan Johnson at jjohnson@pearorchard.org. Thank you!
- **Women's Spring Retreat:** April 14-15, 2023, at Eagle Ridge Conference Center. Registration is now open for women ages 18 and up. Space is limited and cost varies. Register online at www.pearorchard.org or fill out the registration form in the retreat brochure. Contact Tammie Haynes at thaynes@pearorchard.org for more information.

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- Every Friday you can read our weekly email update, delivered straight to your inbox.
 - Email Liz at ltaylor@pearorchard.org if you do not receive it.
- Ask for prayer: pray@pearorchard.org
- Learn more about Christ Covenant School, POPC's Pre-School through High School, at ccs.ms.

MISSIONS FESTIVAL UPDATE

Thanks be to God who went before us to bring us wonderful sermons about our individual and collective call to missions by imitating Christ's love for the lost and his call for us to boldly proclaim the gospel. We are so appreciative for the pastors and ministry partners who shared with us last week. Thanks to all who planned, executed, hosted and participated in numerous ways to make this a special week in the life of Christ's church at POPC. We have received Commitments from **36 families for \$65,600 so far**. The Commitment Cards are available at the sanctuary entrances as is the online form at our website. Please keep praying about how God would use you to plant the seeds of His love and grace. **Will you be one of God's senders?**

UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

- 3.3 Sonbeams Night Out – 5:00-9:00 p.m. – Gym
- 3.5 New Members Class Begins – 10:00-10:45 a.m. – Room 127
- 3.12 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 3.17 Family Board Game Night – 7:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym
- 3.18 Bridal Shower for Marley Whittington – 10 a.m.-Noon – Cafeteria
- 3.25 Spring Fellowship
- 4.14 Women's Retreat – Eagle Ridge Conference Center

Ministers: The People of God
Rev. Caleb Cangelosi - Senior Pastor
Rev. Carl Kalberkamp, Jr. - Associate Pastor
Rev. Dean Williams - Associate Pastor

Earl Adams - Congregational Care Assistant
Megan Adcock - Children's Ministry Coordinator
Ashley Benton - Youth Ministry Coordinator
Daphne Clark - Sonbeams Director
Susie Cook - Organist
Heatherly Edgar - Financial Administrator
Tony Edwards - Maintenance Technician
Rick Goodwin - Business Administrator
Howard Graylin - Sound Team Leader
Margaret Harvey - Church Hostess
Tammie Haynes - Women's Ministry Director
Cathy Haynie - CCS Head of School

Jan Johnson - Nursery Coordinator
John Kwasny - Executive Ministry Director
Edwin Lewis - Facilities Maintenance Director
Chris Payne - Maintenance Technician
Marcus Smith - Youth Ministry Intern
Seija Smith - Youth Ministry Intern
Margaret Sprow - Music Director
Liz Taylor - Media Communication Manager
Madison Taylor - Worship Team Leader
Sam Thoman - Interim Youth Director
Anna Vinson - Administrative Assistant



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to pursue transformation by truth and grace together
for the glory of Christ.*