## Sunday, April 21, 2024 Grace Presbyterian Church Youth Led Worship



## CONTEMPLATING OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE

Prelude & Acolyte 1 John 3:16-18 Welcome Dr. Helen Kim-Sills Zachary Owuor (pg.990) Mitchel Owuor

\*Call to Worship(responsively)

Lord Almighty, help us to trust in you today. For God alone, our souls wait in anticipation, for our hope is in Him.

He alone is our rock and our salvation, our fortress. We shall not be shaken. On God rests our deliverance, and our honor. Our mighty rock, our refuge is in God.

O Lord as we are going through life's many trials, may we remain true to you.

Even in moments of darkness we will not fear, for you walk with us, and will never leave us.

When I have no place at any table, I am always welcome at yours.

May I reflect your goodness and mercies, and honor you with my life.

\*Hymn

Womb of Life and Source of Being

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Call to Confession

Mitchel Owuor

**Prayer of Confession** 

We confess O God, that we do not confess. Have mercy upon us! Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

Friends, believe and trust the Good News of the Gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.

\*Glory Be to the Father #581

\*Passing of the Peace Zachary Owuor

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

## And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination		Zoe Brehmer
First Reading Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us	Psalm 23:1-3	pg.435 #187
Second Reading I Want Jesus to Walk with Me	Psalm 23:4	pg. 435 #775

FALLING INTO GOD'S WORD

Third Reading Psalm 23:5-6 pg.436

Lord, Who May Dwell within Your House #419

TAG Reflections Destiny & Solomon Owuor

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**Destiny Owuor** 

What do you believe when you confess your faith in "God the Father Almighty?"

That God is a God of love, and that God's love is powerful beyond measure.

What do you affirm when you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as "our Lord"?

That having been raised from the dead, he reigns with compassion and justice over all things in heaven and on earth, especially over those who confess him by faith; and that by loving and serving him above all else, we give glory and honor to God.

What do you believe when you confess your faith in the Holy Spirit?

That apart from the Holy Spirit, our Lord can neither be loved, or known, or served. The Holy Spirit is the personal bond by which Jesus Christ unites us to himself, the teacher who opens our hearts to Christ, and the comforter who leads us to repentance, and empowering us to live in Christ's service.

What do you affirm when you speak of "the life everlasting?

That communion with Jesus Christ is eternal life itself. In him we were chosen before the foundation of the world. By him the eternal covenant with Israel was taken up, embodied, and fulfilled. To him we are joined by the Holy Spirit through faith, and adopted as children,

<sup>\*</sup> Affirmation of Faith (Study Catechism)

the children of God. Through him we are raised from death to new life. For him we shall live to all eternity.

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory The Gospel is Rest Elias Dummer & Land of Color
\*Doxology #606
\*Prayer of Dedication Zoe Brehmer

Loving God, we have so many reasons to say "thank you" to you. Your grace, generosity, rest, and invitation are always right there waiting for us. We pray that the gifts we offer in worship and throughout the week might be used in your name. Help us to be generous with our money, but also to acknowledge the many ways in which we can love your people and give back to you with our actions. Strengthen us to recognize the abundant blessings you provide, to be grateful for your restoration, and to choose to respond with love. Amen.

Announcements, Joys, Concerns Prayers of the People:

O Amazing God, you come into our ordinary lives and set a holy table among us, filling our plates with the Bread of Life and our cups with Salvation. Send us out, O God, with tenderheartedness to touch an ordinary everyday world, with the promise of your holiness.

Closing Hymn Jesus Loves Me! #188
Benediction Poem M Jade Kaiser

Postlude