EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEWARK, DE

CHANGING LIVES THROUGH SHARING CHRIST

Discipleship In Community

The more genuine and the deeper our community becomes, the more will everything else between us recede, the more clearly and purely will Jesus Christ and his work become the one and only thing that is vital between us.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

ORDER OF WORSHIP | FEBRUARY 11, 2024

The playing of the chimes is a signal that the hour of our corporate worship has begun. During this time, we invite you to silently prepare your hearts to praise our Triune God to whom belongs all glory, power, and majesty. (Please silence all phones and non-medical electronic devices.)	
Hearing support is available. Please, ask an usher, audio technician, or Deacon Norm Marks.	
Welcome	PASTOR BARBER
WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP	
Prelude — Abide with Me (EVENTIDE, William H. Monk; arr. by Howard Helvey)	HIGO RODRIGUES, Piano
* GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP	PASTOR BARBER
Call to Worship (The Worship Sourcebook; 1 Peter 2:9–10, adapt.)	
Pastor: Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who	
creates us.	
People: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.	
Pastor: Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us.	
People: To the one true God be praise in all times and places,	
through the grace of Jesus Christ.	
Pastor: [For] you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a	
people for his own possession,	
People: that we may proclaim the excellencies of him who called	
us out of darkness into his marvelous light.	
Pastor: Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once	
you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.	
All: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.	
* Hymn (Trinity #355) — We Are God's People	

We Are God's People



Lyrics by Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976

Text and tune © 1976, Fred Bock Music Co.

SYMPHONY from Johannes Brahms, 'Symphony No. 1 in C Minor,' 1876 Arr. by Fred Bock, 1976 MR. GRAHAM GUO

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION (followed by the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Westminster Confession of Faith (ch. 26.1. The Fellowship of the Saints)

All believers are united to Jesus Christ, their head, by his Spirit and by faith, and have fellowship with him in his grace, suffering, death, resurrection, and glory. United to one another in love the saints have fellowship in each other's gifts and grace and are obliged to perform those public and private duties which nourish their mutual good, both spiritually and physically.

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

New Testament reading — Acts 2:1–12 (Pew Bible, p. 1157)

¹ When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

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ELDER BERNIE COHEN ⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" Acts 2:1–12 (ESV)

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN (followed by Private Confession of Sin)

Almighty God and heavenly Father, we poor, miserable sinners confess that from our childhood until this very hour we have sinned against your commandments by evil thoughts, words, will, and works, which we cannot count, and first of all by vast unbelief. Therefore, we are not worthy to be called your children, nor lift our eyes up to heaven. O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked you to anger. In your mercy and for the sake of your glory, we ask you to receive us into your grace by the forgiveness of our sins.

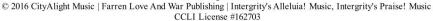
(John Oecolampadius)

MR. GRAHAM GUO

	Assurance of Pardon The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Psalm 103:8, 10–12 (Pew Bible, p. 637)			
PASTOR BARBER	ARBER WE LIVE OUT OUR MISSION and PASTORAL PRAYER			
	Reception of New Members Kirk and Cheryl Reed • Mary Farmer • James VanAntwerp			
	WE GIVE TO THE ONE WHO HAS GIVEN US EVERYTHING			
	You can also give online on our website, through the app Vanco Mobile, or mail a check to the office (if it is for the Deacons Fund, please note on the memo).			
OLIVIA MARKS, Violin	Offertory Response — Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (William B. Bradbury; arr. Timothy Shaw)			
	Song — Only a Holy God (music next pages) Children are welcome to remain in worship with us. Children 2 and 3 years old may go to Beginner Bible in room 100; children 4 years to 2nd grade may depart during the last verse to the Fellowship Hall for Junior Church. Parents please pick up children after the service.			

Only a Holy God







GOD EXHORTS THROUGH THE WORD AND WE SING

Discipleship In Community — Acts 2:36–47 (Pew Bible, p. 1205)

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved. Acts 2:36–47 (ESV)

* Song — I Am Not My Own (music next page)

* GOD SENDS US OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

GRACE AND PEACE Choir Rehearsal — 4–5pm YOUTH GROUP — 5–7pm PASTOR BARBER

I Am Not My Own



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OUR MISSION We exist to change lives through sharing Christ. We carry out this mission in three ways:

GATHER — we gather Christians together to worship God through Jesus Christ

MORNING WORSHIP—10:45AM

DISCIPLE — we make disciples and grow in our relationship with God and each other

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES—9:30AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP—Wednesdays at 9:15-11:30AM and 6:30–8:00PM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—Thursdays from 8:00–9:00AM in Room B202 and online. "Created for Worship" by Jason Helopoulos BIBLE CONFERENCE—March 1-3: Speaker: Robert Cunningham on "Christ, Culture, and Politics". Please sign up at the information counter or online on our website.

SEND — we are all Christ's ambassadors that are sent into the world locally and globally

MISSIONARIES—Andrew & Megan Nairn—MTW: Japan (see our Missionary Highlight in this week's online EPiC Newsletter) PARENTING THROUGH A TEMPERAMENT LENS - February 24, 9:00-11:30am. Seminar with Dr. Kathleen Cherry. Please invite your friends from outside the church as well. Register

<u>Attendance and Financial Information for February 4, 2024</u>				
SS: 157 - AM: 296 - PM: 138				
<u>General Fund</u>		<u>Deacons Fund</u>		
Weekly Gifts Received	\$ 10,743.30	Deacons Fund Receipts (Jan.) \$ 4,239.00		
Weekly Budgeted Requirements	\$ 22,240.00	YTD Deacons Fund Receipt \$ 4,239.00		
Year-to-Date Gifts Received	\$ 75,138.66	YTD Deacons Fund Expenses \$ 7,827.80		
Year-to-Date Requirements	\$111,200.40	Deacons Fund Ending Balance \$30,995.21		
Year-to-Date Expenses	\$ 87,067.86			



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