



# LYRICS FOR HIS LIFE

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Praying the Psalms  
with Jesus

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 28, AD 2024

11 am



# GATHERING TO PRAISE

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*Assisting Pastor: Scott Graham*

## **Prelude**

*Overture from Suite in D major by George Frideric Handel*

## **\*Welcome and Call to Worship**

*From Hebrews 4*

You, beloved Church, have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens. He is Jesus, the Son of God.

**We will hold fast our confession.**

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses.

**We have a high priest who has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,

**There we will receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

No. 262 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

NICAEA

## **\*Blessing God**

## **\*Scriptural Call to Confession**

## **\*Prayer of Confession**

Lord Jesus, we have not drawn near to you in confidence. We have not even timidly done so. We have denied ourselves your offer of mercy because we do not truly believe that you could be like us. It is hard for us to accept that you sympathize with our many weaknesses and failures. Christ have mercy! Change our unbelief to faithful confession. O source of eternal salvation, be for us both king and great high priest. We bow now at your throne of grace to receive forgiveness and help. Amen.

## **\*Silent Confession**

## **\*Assurance of Pardon**

*\*Standing*

**\*Response**

REGENT SQUARE

**Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,  
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the Church in one,  
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.**

**\*Greeting and Announcements**

*Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.*

**Offertory**

"Who Is This That Comes from Far" arranged by Christopher Phillips

Who is this that comes from far with his garments dipped in blood?  
Strong, triumphant traveler, is he man or is he God?  
"I that reign in righteousness, Son of God and man I AM."  
Mighty to redeem your race, Jesus is your Savior's name.

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
Who hath washed us in the tide, flowing from his pierced side.  
Praise we him whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine.  
Gives his body for the feast, Christ, the victim, Christ, the priest.

Hail! All hail the King of kings on his throne of sovereignty.  
By whose will, whose word, all things are and were and yet shall be.  
Come, O come and for thy throne, King of kings, each heart prepare.  
Reign triumphant, reign alone Lord of lords forever there.

*Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.*

**\*Response Doxology**

ITALIAN HYMN

**To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore;  
Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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### \*Hymn of Preparation

No. 89 "Our Great Savior" (vs 1, 2, 3 & 5)

HYFRYDOL

### Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

*Psalm 110:1-4*

The LORD says to my Lord:  
"Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your enemies your footstool."

The LORD sends forth from Zion  
your mighty scepter.  
Rule in the midst of your enemies!  
Your people will offer themselves freely  
on the day of your power,  
in holy garments;  
from the womb of the morning,  
the dew of your youth will be yours.  
The LORD has sworn  
and will not change his mind,  
"You are a priest forever  
after the order of Melchizedek."

*Hebrews 4:14-16*

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction,  
**That through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.**

### Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

"A Priest Forever"



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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### Time of Reflection

#### \*Hymn of Response

No. 462 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

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### Pastoral Prayer and 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 evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**



## BENEDICTION

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#### \*Response

**Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!**

### Postlude

*II. Allegro* from Suite in D major by Giuseppe Torelli

#### MUSICIANS

Rafael Galvan Herrera, violin

Kristina Graham, violin

Jaime Compton-Galvan, cello

Blake Hanna, trumpet

Steve Gustafson, organ

Sherry Kadair, piano

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*Prayer Time: Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building). One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you.*

*Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carla Crosby McClelland by Dr. John S. McClelland and his children.*

*Scripture for Next Week: Matthew 7:1–5*

*Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome.** We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at [fpibr.org/connect](http://fpibr.org/connect).

**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@fpibr.org](mailto:prayer@fpibr.org), through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

**Only a Few Hours Left to Take the Survey!** Our church turns 200 in 2027! In preparation for our bicentennial, we want to celebrate how Christ has led us, and pursue the path he is showing. We want your voice to be heard in our discernments. A brief 3- to 5-minute congregational survey is live on our app, the website or you may scan the code to participate. Please take the survey by midnight today, Sunday, April 28.



**"Art of the Heart Lunch" This Friday.** Celebrate, connect and engage in community support for educating the hearts of young learners at the Manners of the Heart "Art for the Heart" lunch featuring artwork by Louisiana artists and music by Magnolia Strings. Visit [mannersoftheheart.org](http://mannersoftheheart.org) for details and tickets.



**rEcess Is This Friday!** Once a month volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate in rEcess ([jess.concienne@gmail.com](mailto:jess.concienne@gmail.com) or 225.892.3212).

**Confirmation Celebration Next Sunday.** Our 6th grade students prepare all year to make their public profession of faith at a special worship service. On Sunday, May 5 at 4 pm in the Sanctuary, they will profess Christ and be confirmed as active members of our church. Come support them at this celebratory service! A reception follows.

**NEW DATE: Ladies' 60s+ Luau, May 15.** Let's kick off summer Hawaiian-style with leis, laughter, food and fellowship at Cate Heroman's (3904 Blecker Dr.) from 5.30 to 7.30 pm on Wednesday, May 13. This social is intended for ladies 60 and older, but truly anyone is welcome. Feel free to bring a friend! RSVP to Jaime ([jaime@fpibr.org](mailto:jaime@fpibr.org)).

**Youth Lock-In and Fiesta on Friday, May 10.** All 8–12 grade students are invited to a lock-in and fiesta with dinner, games and a surprise midnight movie! Drop off is Friday, May 10 at 6 pm at the Gym and pick up is Saturday, May 11 at 7 am. Bring a sleeping bag and pillow.

**Vacation Bible School: Register or Volunteer Today!** Jerusalem Marketplace VBS is in two months, June 10–13. Visit [fpibr.org](http://fpibr.org) or scan the code for volunteer and camper details.



**Collections for the Food Bank.** Our local pickleball community is accepting non-perishable donations for the Food Bank with a collection box in the Gym today through Monday, May 13.

**FPC App.** Sermon video, sermon audio, sermon transcripts, lectures, ESV Bible, news, announcements . . . if it's on the website, it's on the app. Download from your favorite app store by searching FPCBR.

**First Presbyterian Church and Social Media (Instagram, YouTube and Facebook).** Sanctuary services are livestreamed on the web and we frequently post photos of members engaged in fellowship at our small groups, worship services and events. If you have any questions, contact Katie Robinson ([katie@fpibr.org](mailto:katie@fpibr.org)) or Jay High ([jay@fpibr.org](mailto:jay@fpibr.org)).

