

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, January 1, 2023

*Oh, bless our God, you peoples! And make the voice of His praise to be heard, Who keeps our soul among the living, And does not allow our feet to be moved.* (Psalm 66:8,9)

[\* indicates standing]

**Prelude:** [Welcome, Announcements]

**Preparation for Worship:** Psalter 150B

**\*God's Call to Worship** (see above)

**\*Confession of our need for God's grace** (Psalm 124:8):

*"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth"*

**\*God's Greeting to His People**

**\*Song of Response** Psalter-Hymnal #120 (1,3,4)

**\*Opening Prayer**

**God's Law:** Psalm 90

**Prayer of Confession and Praise**

(God's assurance: Psalm 31:19-22)

**\*Song of Praise** Psalter-Hymnal #54 (all)

**Confession of Faith** (see bulletin)

**Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving**

**Worship in giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Song of Preparation** Psalter 23A (all)

**Prayer for God's blessing on His Word**

**Scripture Reading:** Psalm 23

**Sermon:** **Psalm 23:5**

**\*Respond in Song** Psalter 90C (1,6,7,8)

**\*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)**

**\*(Moment of Silent Meditation)**

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Sermon: **Psalm 23:5**

*The Lord is my Shepherd—He provides abundant blessing and joy for me.*

We see:

1. The Lord plans all things ahead of time and provides all I need.
2. The Lord plans and provides also as I face *enemies*.
3. The Lord provides the greatest joy and fulfillment.

**Questions for discussion:** [see on the table]

The church is called to be a confessing church, that she may be,  
the pillar and ground of the truth (1Tim. 3:15,16)

## The Heidelberg Catechism

**26. Q.** What do you believe when you say: *I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?*

**A.** That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them,[1] and who still upholds and governs them by His eternal counsel and providence,[2] is, for the sake of Christ His Son, my God and my Father.[3] In Him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that He will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul,[4] and will also turn to my good whatever adversity He sends me in this life of sorrow.[5] He is able to do so as almighty God,[6] and willing also as a faithful Father.[7]

[1] Gen. 1 and 2; Ex. 20:11; Job 38 and 39; Ps. 33:6; Is. 44:24; Acts 4:24; 14:15.

[2] Ps. 104:27-30; Matt. 6:30; 10:29; Eph. 1:11.

[3] John 1:12, 13; Rom. 8:15, 16; Gal. 4:4-7; Eph. 1:5.

[4] Ps. 55:22; Matt. 6:25, 26; Luke 12:22-31.

[5] Rom. 8:28. [6] Gen. 18:14; Rom. 8:31-39. [7] Matt. 6:32, 33; 7:9-11.

**27. Q.** What do you understand by the providence of God?

**A.** God's providence is His almighty and ever present power,[1] whereby, as with His hand, He still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures,[2] and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty,[3] indeed, all things, come not by chance[4] but by His fatherly hand.[5]

[1] Jer. 23:23, 24; Acts 17:24-28. [2] Heb. 1:3.

[3] Jer. 5:24; Acts 14:15-17; John 9:3; Prov. 22:2. [4] Prov. 16:33.

[5] Matt. 10:29.

**28. Q.** What does it benefit us to know that God has created all things and still upholds them by His providence?

**A.** We can be patient in adversity,[1] thankful in prosperity,[2] and with a view to the future we can have a firm confidence in our faithful God and Father that no creature shall separate us from His love;[3] for all creatures are so completely in His hand that without His will they cannot so much as move.[4]

[1] Job. 1:21, 22; Ps. 39:10; James 1:3. [2] Deut. 8:10; 1 Thess. 5:18.

[3] Ps. 55:22; Rom. 5:3-5; 8:38, 39. [4] Job 1:12; 2:6; Prov. 21:1; Acts 17:24-28.

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## CALENDAR

- Wednesday's (6:00 PM)—Bible Study to resume in Jan./23 (DV).
- Pizza & Theology—Last Friday of month; 6: 00-8:00 PM  
[“Theology” is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

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**OFFERING:** Dec. 25/22—\$ 2639.80  
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## PRAYER REQUESTS

**BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER:** (*Email your requests for prayer!*)

**“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God”** (Phil. 4:6)

- Pray for our country, gov’t and world; for persecuted Church in the world.

Pray for King’s: (Sermon-Audio, website)

- Thanks to the Lord for His blessings to us as Church in 2022.
- Personal concerns and issues in each of our lives.  
God’s blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.  
Parents training children (to know God’s blessing and grace to persevere).
- **HEALTH:** PTL for our health...and restoration to health.  
Rev. Gibson and others who have issues with health.
- **LOVED ONES:** Friends & family serving in the military  
Holly’s parents (father’s better health and God’s grace to them).  
Elder Burrell’s parents (health); Diana’s mother (kidney disease).  
Modolo’s in Italy (health & God’s blessing in serving Him).

Pray for ministry to the preborn: Pregnancy Centers in our area (Agape).  
Gibsons (website; presence at PP in Orlando); Michele (Orlando).  
Legislation in states & in Florida; to stop abortions.

Pray for Regional Presbytery and the ministry of sister Churches:

- FPC (Suriname; discipline cases); HRPC (North Carolina).
- Pray for covenant children, the youth, and single adults in our churches.

Pray for King’s mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:

- All who work with RCM (Offices & Boards in US & Canada; GNBS).
- Online students in College & Seminary; CLA (school in Suriname).
- SALT (ministry of Pastor Poettcker with RCM); work in Suriname.

Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.  
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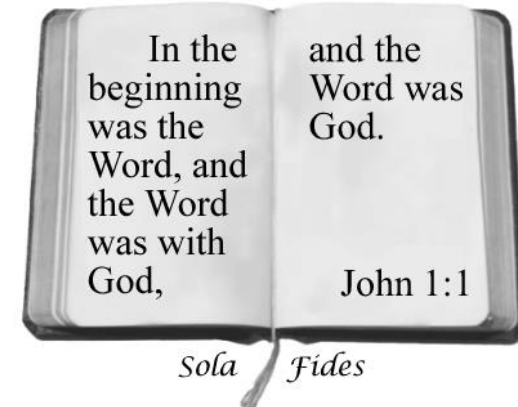
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*Sola Gratia Sola Scriptura*



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**Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M.**

**Lord's Day, January 1, 2023**

## **Questions for discussion**

### **[Sermon: Psalm 23:5]**

1. What change takes place in this Psalm (at v. 4)?
2. What does the word *prepare* speak about?  
And *prepare a table*?
3. What does this passage tell us to give us comfort in facing problems?
4. Why would a shepherd anoint a sheep's head with oil?
5. How is a believer anointed?
6. In *my cup runs over*, apart from *cup* referring to joy/blessing in wine, what else does it refer to?
7. What does *cup running over* speak of?