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# CHRISTIAN WISDOM

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*A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)*

A Church devoted to the pursuit of Scripture, Prayer, Fellowship and Worship as an effective and ultimately victorious means of reaching our community for Christ.

# THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

Sunday, 17 December, 2023

✦ Indicates standing if able

## WELCOME & GREETING

*Pastor Jesse M. Crutchley*



## INVOCATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 134:1–3*

“Behold, bless the LORD, All *you* servants of the LORD, Who by night stand in the house of the LORD! Lift up your hands *in* the sanctuary, And bless the LORD. The LORD who made heaven and earth Bless you from Zion!”

### ✦ HYMN

Nº 01

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*James 3:13–18*

“Who *is* wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct *that* his works *are done* in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and self-seeking *exist*, confusion and every evil thing *are* there. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.”

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Psalm 118:18–21*

“The LORD has chastened me severely, But He has not given me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, *And* I will praise the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter. I will praise You, For You have answered me, *And* have become my salvation.”

### ✦ HYMN

Nº 02

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

## THE WORD PREACHED

Reading of Scripture  
"Friendship"

*Proverbs 27:1-10*  
*Pastor Jesse M. Crutchley*

## \* HYMN

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

Nº 03

## BENEDICTION



*Please join us for a time of prayer. No meal to follow.*

## \* CLOSING PRAYER HYMN

*Christ, We Do All Adore Thee*

Nº 04

## Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

1. Breth - ren, we have met to wor - ship  
 2. Breth- ren, see poor sin - ners round you  
 3. Sis - ters, will you join and help us?  
 4. Let us love our God su - preme - ly,

and a - dore the Lord our God;  
 slum - b'ring on the brink of woe;  
 Mo - ses' sis - ter aid - ed him;  
 let us love each oth - er too;

will you pray with all your pow - er,  
 death is com - ing, hell is mov - ing,  
 will you help the trem - bling mourn - ers  
 let us love and pray for sin - ners

while we try to preach the Word?  
 can you bear to let them go?  
 who are strug - gling hard with sin?  
 till our God makes all things new.

All is vain un - less the Spir - it  
See our fa - thers and our moth - ers  
Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior,  
Then He'll call us home to heav - en,

of the Ho - ly One comes down;  
and our chil - dren sink - ing down;  
tell them that He will be found;  
at His ta - ble we'll sit down;

breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na  
breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na  
sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man - na  
Christ will gird Him - self and serve us

will be show - ered all a - round.  
will be show - ered all a - round.  
will be show - ered all a - round.  
with sweet man - na all a - round.

## Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Text by Joseph Hart; Refrain anonymous

ARISE

1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y,  
 2. Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come,  
 3. Let not con - science make you lin - ger,  
 4. Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y la - den,  
 Ref: I will a - rise and go to Je - sus,

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Weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;  
 God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;  
 Nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;  
 Lost and ru - ined by the fall;  
 He will em - brace me in His arms;

5

Je - sus read - y stands to save you,  
 True be - lief and true re - pent - ance,  
 All the fit - ness He re - quire - eth  
 If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,  
 In the arms of my dear Sav - ior,

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*D. C. for Refrain*

Full of pit - y, love, and pow'r.  
 Ev - 'ry grace that brings you nigh.  
 Is to feel your need of Him.  
 You will nev - er come at all.  
 O, there are ten thou - sand charms.

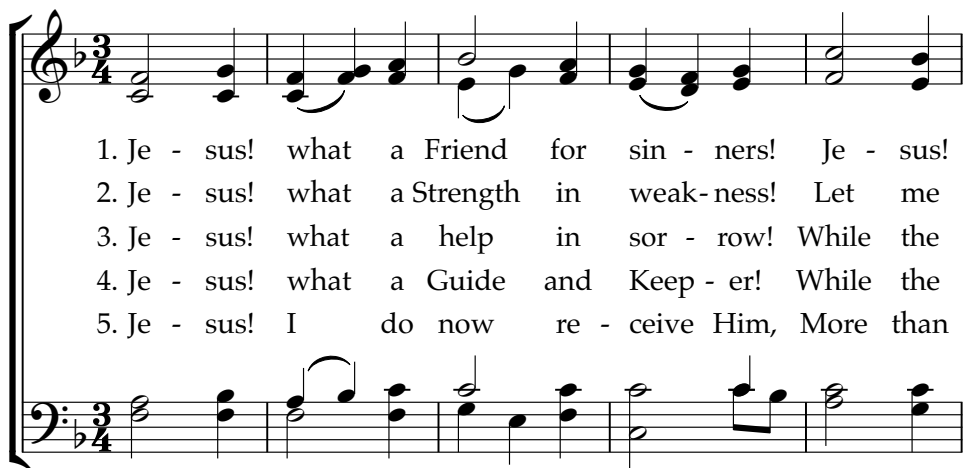
## SERMON NOTES

### "Friendship"

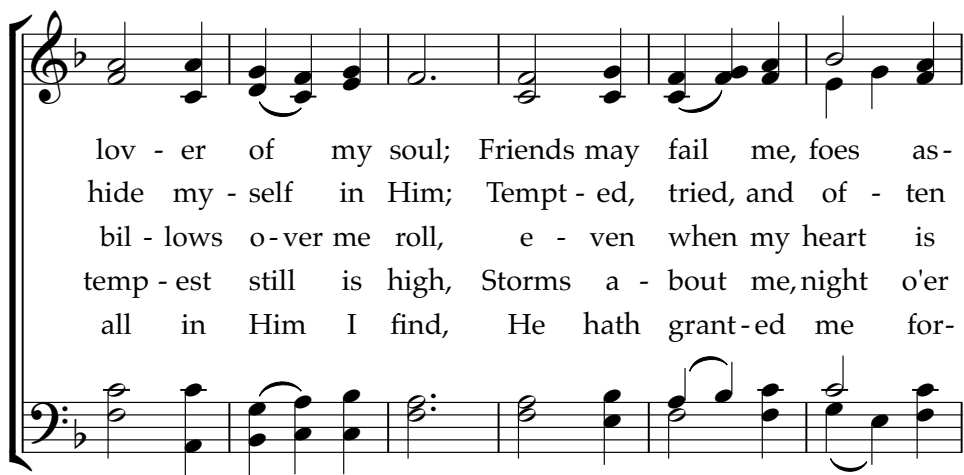
*Proverbs 27:1-10*

1 Do not boast about tomorrow, For you do not know what a day may bring forth. 2 Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth; A stranger, and not your own lips. 3 A stone *is* heavy and sand *is* weighty, But a fool's wrath *is* heavier than both of them. 4 Wrath *is* cruel and anger a torrent, But who *is* able to stand before jealousy? 5 Open rebuke *is* better Than love carefully concealed. 6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend, But the kisses of an enemy *are* deceitful. 7 A satisfied soul loathes the honeycomb, But to a hungry soul every bitter thing *is* sweet. 8 Like a bird that wanders from its nest *Is* a man who wanders from his place. 9 Ointment and perfume delight the heart, And the sweetness of a man's friend *gives delight* by hearty counsel. 10 Do not forsake your own friend or your father's friend, Nor go to your brother's house in the day of your calamity; Better *is* a neighbor nearby than a brother far away.

# Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus!  
 2. Je - sus! what a Strength in weak - ness! Let me  
 3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the  
 4. Je - sus! what a Guide and Keep - er! While the  
 5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive Him, More than



lov - er of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes as -  
 hide my - self in Him; Tempt - ed, tried, and of - ten  
 bil - lows o - ver me roll, e - ven when my heart is  
 temp - est still is high, Storms a - bout me, night o'er  
 all in Him I find, He hath grant - ed me for -



sail me, He, my Sav - ior makes me whole.  
 fail - ing, He, my Strength, my vic - t'ry wins.  
 break - ing, He, my com - fort, helps my soul.  
 takes me, He, my pi - lot, hears my cry.  
 give - ness, I am His, and He is mine!



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!

Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!

Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing,

He is with me to the end.

## Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

Latin hymn

Tr. and adopted by Theodore Baker, 1899

ADORE THEE

Théodore Dubois, *The Seven Last Words of Christ*, 1867

Christ, we do all a - dore Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev - er;

Christ, we do all a - dore Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev - er;

for on the ho - ly cross hast Thou the world from sin re - deem - ed.

Christ, we do all a - dore Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev - er;

and we do praise Thee for - ev - er. Christ, we do all a - dore Thee.