

Hixson Presbyterian Church  
January 13, 2019

Prelude

Greetings

Greg Baney

Call to Worship Psalm 146

Prayer of Preparation & Confession

†**Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; only  
Thou art holy—there is none beside Thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy,  
holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

†**How Great Is Our God**

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty.  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,  
and trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice.

Chorus: How great is our God!  
Sing with me, how great is our God!  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,  
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.  
The Godhead, Three in One, Father Spirit, Son...  
the Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. (Chorus)

You're the Name of above all names, worthy of all praise!  
My heart will sing how great is our God! (Chorus)

How great, how great is our God!

†**Responsive Reading** Valley of Vision

† **Not In Me**

No list of sins I have not done,  
No list of virtues I pursue,  
No list of those I am not like,  
Can earn myself a place with You.  
O God! Be merciful to me—  
I am a sinner through and through!  
My only hope of righteousness  
Is not in me, but only You.

No humble dress, no fervent prayer,  
No lifted hands, no tearful song,  
No recitation of the truth

Can justify a single wrong.  
My righteousness is Jesus' life,  
My debt was paid by Jesus' death,  
My weary load was borne by Him  
And he alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world,  
No work I do, no gift I give,  
Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands;  
I cannot cause my soul to live.  
But Jesus died and rose again—  
The pow'r of death is overthrown!  
My God is merciful to me  
And merciful in Christ alone.

My righteousness is Jesus' life,  
My debt was paid by Jesus' death,  
My weary load was borne by Him  
And he alone can give me rest.

### **Prayer of Intercession**

### **God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

\*Please fill out the friendship folder found at the end of the pew\*  
Children Pre-K through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church

### **Offertory Instrumental**

### **Sermon**

"Biblical Elders"  
Acts 20:17, 28-31

Robert Johnson

### **†We Are God's People**

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,  
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;  
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in Him we stand:  
O let us live transparently  
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,  
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;  
Now let us learn how to return  
The gift of love once given:  
O let us share each joy and care,  
And live with a zeal that pleases Heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,  
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;  
He wills us be a family,  
Diverse yet truly one:  
O let us give our gifts to God,  
And so shall his work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;  
We die alone, for on its own  
Each ember loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.

## Communion

Bread in Unison *Behold the Lamb*

Cup Individually

**\*\*Elders are available for prayer at the front of the sanctuary.**

## Benediction

### Postlude

### Valley of Vision

Lord, High and Holy, Meek and Lowly

Thou hast brought me to the valley of vision,  
where I live in the depths but see thee in the heights;  
hemmed in by mountains of sin I behold thy glory.

Let me learn by paradox

that the way down is the way up,  
that to be low is to be high.  
that the broken heart is the healed heart,  
that the contrite spirit is the rejoicing spirit,  
that the repenting soul is the victorious soul,  
that to have nothing is to possess all,  
that to bear the cross is to wear the crown,  
that to give is to receive,  
that the valley is the place of vision.

Lord, in the daytime stars can be seen from deepest wells,  
and the deeper the wells the brighter thy stars shine;

Let me find thy light in my darkness,

thy life in my death,  
thy joy in my sorrow,  
thy grace in my sin,  
thy riches in my poverty,  
thy glory in my valley.

**Sermon Notes - Robert Johnson**  
"Biblical Elders"  
Acts 20:17, 28-31

First, Elders (17)

Second, Shepherds (28)

Third, Overseers (28)

Finally, Applying The Truth

## Announcements for the week January 13

- There will be a parent meeting today after worship for those who have already signed up for the youth ski retreat.
- **Choir & Worship Team:** Do you love singing? Or maybe you play an instrument like guitar, bass, piano, violin, cello, or flute? The start of the new year is a great time for you to join in with the Choir and/or Worship Team and share your gifts in worship of our Lord! Choir rehearsal is every Wednesday at 6:15pm. Contact Patrick Jones if you have any interest or questions about being a part of the Music Ministry here at HPC!
- **Reserved Seats:** Please leave the “Reserved Seats” in the back of the sanctuary empty until the service starts. These seats are for late comers and visitors.
- **Prayer Walkers:** We will resume January 22, 2019 and will continue to meet inside at Sourdough Cuppa Joe’s until Spring.
- **Women’s Bible Study:** A study of the book of 1 Peter. Karen Bennett will be leading a study on Jen Wilkin’s book, *A Living Hope in Christ*, Wednesday mornings at 9:30 beginning January 30th. This is a 10-week study and will end on April 10th. Books can be purchased through the church office. You can also buy it as an e-book. Please sign up with the tear-off. ***Childcare is provided by request only.***
- **The Building Fund is Open!** We have capped the fund’s reserve and now every penny given will go directly to reduce the principle we owe on the mortgage. Watch the mortgage shrink week by week. We will build a new sanctuary in no time!
- **Wednesday Night Meals** will begin again February 6th at 5:30. We will be having Don Pierce’s famous Goulash! (prepared by the “Big Don” himself) We hope to see you there! Please use the tear-off to sign up. The deadline is Sunday, February 3rd.

## Spring Sunday School Classes

**Psalms, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes** - In this class we will explore the books of the Bible known as Wisdom Literature and see God’s redemptive purposes revealed throughout. Our hearts will be moved to worship as we see Christ in the Psalms and learn of His ways in Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. Join us for this very exciting journey! January 6th - May 27th - M1. Taught by Greg Baney and Steven Edging.

**Three Generations** - 20s, 30s, 40s, (3G) Class: This class will be guided by the book, *The Imperfect Disciple* by Jared Wilson. Purchase of the book is optional for participation. A copy of the book may be obtained at the front desk. Come join us as we learn together how to triumph as an imperfect disciple! Facilitated by Thomas & Cindy DeMoss. January 6th - May 27th. Conference Rm.

**Women’s Sunday School Class** - Join the ladies of the church as we discover together the attributes of our great God. This class will be reading together, *Wisdom of God* by Nancy Guthrie and will be led by Leah Dean and Carolyn Hays. You can order the book on your own or contact the church office and we will order a copy for you. Once a month, there will be coffee and conversations with Nancy Monroe. You don’t want to miss it! January 6th - March 30th - M-2.

## Weekly Calendar

### **Sunday, January 13**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship Service  
5:00-6:30 pm Youth Underground

### **Monday, January 14**

6:15 pm Trail Life

### **Tuesday, January 15**

7:00 pm Joint Session & Deacon Meeting

### **Wednesday, January 16**

6:15 pm Choir Practice  
HPC Kids Mid-week  
DIG for Youth

### **Thursday, January 17**

### **Friday, January 18**

## Contributions Report

<b>General:</b>	<b>Jan. 6, 2019</b>	<b>Missions:</b>	<b>Jan. 6, 2019</b>
Contributions	13,863.00	Contribution	1,606.00
Budget	15,200.00	Budget	1,876.00

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### Building Fund:

Weekly Contributions	5,305
Month to date	5,305
Mortgage Balance	2,163,401

## Important Dates

### January

18 - 21 Youth Ski Retreat  
22 Prayer Walk Ministry Resumes  
30 Women's Bible Study

### February

3 Super Bowl  
6 Wednesday Night Supper