 **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**
CHURCH DUNCANVILLE



March 1, 2026

10:30 AM

543 E Freeman Street, Duncanville

Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: As we bask in the steadfast love of God,

All: Let us share this love with our neighbors.

One: As we stand in the light of God,

All: Let us embrace this light and shine it everywhere.

One: As we grow with the grace of God,

All: Let us share the Good News of this grace in all times and spaces.

SONGS OF PRAISE STEP BY STEP

O God, You are my God,
And I will ever praise You.

O God, You are my God,
And I will ever praise You.

I will seek You in the morning,
And I will learn to walk in Your way,
And step by step You'll lead me,
And I will follow You all of my days.

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(REPEAT)

CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED

Were creation suddenly articulate
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry
Then from north to south and east to west
We'd hear Christ be magnified

Were the whole earth echoing His eminence
His name would burst from sea and sky
From rivers to the mountaintops
We'd hear Christ be magnified

Oh, Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
Oh, Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me

When every creature finds its inmost melody
And every human heart its native cry
Oh then in one enraptured hymn of praise
We'll sing Christ be magnified

Oh, Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
Oh, Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me

I won't bow to idols
I'll stand strong and worship You
If it puts me in the fire
I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too
I won't be formed by feelings
I hold fast to what is true
If the cross brings transformation
Then I'll be crucified with You

'Cause death is just the doorway
Into resurrection life
If I join You in Your sufferings
Then I'll join You when You rise
And when You return in glory
With all the angels and the saints
My heart will still be singing
My song will be the same

Oh, Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
Oh, Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me
(REPEAT)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord, many times we hesitate to share the Good News with others because we are afraid we will offend them. Help me to shine the light of Your love into many hearts today, knowing that the time for Your return draws ever closer. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG MADE NEW

You're calling me over
You're pulling me close
With love You surround me
You give me hope
Yeah (x3)

You're taking me deeper
You're making me whole
With grace You redeem me
You restore my soul

Now I'm made new because of You, yeah

You hold my head up
You remind me who I am
You hold my head up
I'm alive in You again
I'm made new, I'm made new

You're making me stronger
You're healing my heart
With Your hands You hold me in
You set me apart

Now I'm made new because of You, yeah

You hold my head up
You remind me who I am
You hold my head up
I'm alive in You again
I'm made new, I'm made new

You are my salvation
I will not fear, no
You're the strength of my life
I won't fear. Whoa, oh.
(REPEAT)

You hold my head up
You remind me who I am
You hold my head up
I'm alive in You again
I'm made new, I'm made new
You hold my head up. You hold my head up.

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."

"How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

SERMON

“For the Love of All”-

The Rev. Dr. Richard W. Selby

COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our Creator and Redeemer. In Your wisdom, You made all things and sustain them by Your power

You formed us in Your image to love and serve You, but we forgot Your promises and abandoned Your commandments. In Your mercy, You did not reject us but still claimed us as Your own.

When we were slaves in Egypt You freed us and led us through the waters of the sea. You fed us with heavenly food in the wilderness, and satisfied our thirst from the desert springs. On the holy mountain You gave us Your law to guide us in Your way. Through the waters of Jordan You led us into the land of Your promise, and You sustained us in times of trial. You spoke through prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness. You sent Your only Son to be the way to eternal life.

One: Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: And forget not all God's benefits.

One: Gracious God, you have made us one with all Your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for Your service. Help us who have shared Christ's body and received His cup to be His faithful disciples, so that our daily living may be part of the life of Your kingdom, and our love be Your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

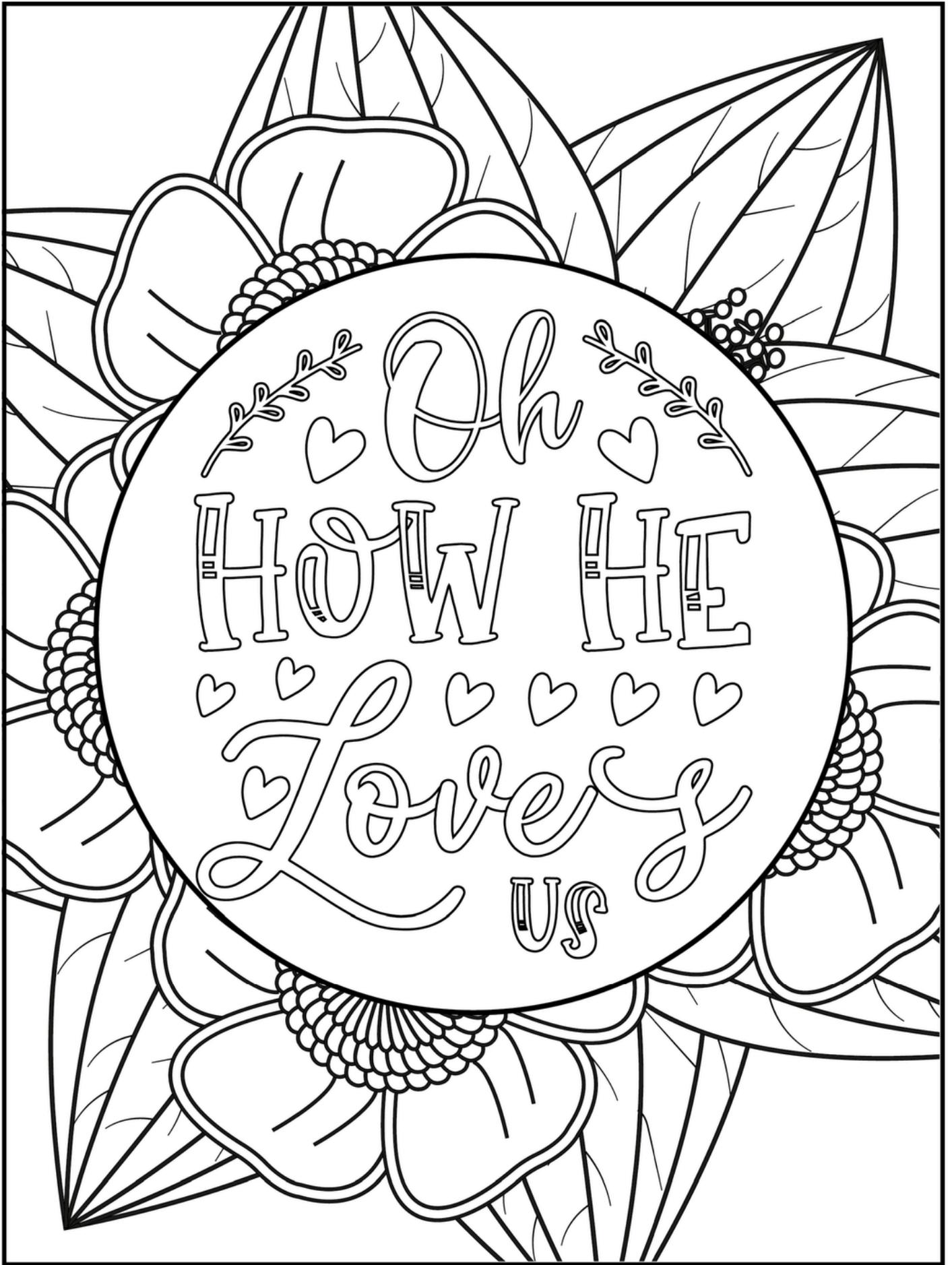
All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF RESPONSE IN MY LIFE, LORD, BE GLORIFIED

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BENEDICTION



Announcements

- **Next week, Rev. Stephen Wilson will be joining us to preach.**
- **There will be a men's Bible study meeting this Saturday, March 7! Join us at 9:00am in the fellowship hall for this time of fellowship and learning.**
- **Join us for our Lenten Study as we reflect on Jesus' suffering and death. We are going through Adam Hamilton's book, *24 Hours that Changed the World*, and we will next meet on Wednesday, March 4, at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall.**

Sermons are available online at www.fpcd.org/sermons.
The "W" stands for Hymnal for Worship & Celebration.
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Welcome Guests and Visitors!

We want to get to know you! If it's your first time here, please fill out a visitor card from the seat back in front of you and place it in an offering plate, located throughout the sanctuary.

Sunday School and Children

Sunday school for adults and children meets at 9:15 AM in the Education Building. During the service, nursery is provided for ages 0-4 in the Education Building. Children are welcome to stay with you during the service, and are invited to come forward during the Children's Moment. If your child needs something to keep them busy, kids' activity boxes are available in the entry hall!



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