



# Order for the Worship of God

160<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Palo Duro Presbytery  
Hosted via Zoom by  
First Presbyterian Church, Breckenridge  
February 7, 2025

(Have your Communion Service ready at your screen.)

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND CONTEMPLATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Sherry Strickland

The Leader: "I am the good shepherd," says the Lord; "I know my own and my own know me."  
[JOHN 1:14]

**The Body of Christ: "My sheep hear my voice," says the Lord. "I know them, and they follow me." [JOHN 10:27]**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF GRACE

The Leader: "For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. Thanksgiving and praise to our God, now and forever." [1 PETER 2:25]

**The Body of Christ: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

### GLORIA PATRI (Read and not sung.)

Marilyn Kieke

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

### SILENT REFLECTION AND INSTRUMENTAL

"Be Thou My Vision"

Alejos Anaya, Lubbock Symphony

## MEDITATING ON AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### PROCLAMATION

"Called to Be the Light"  
GALATIANS 6:9-10

Commissioned Pastor Bill Wiles

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Rev. Doug House

### OFFERING

Designated giving for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (California Wildfires). Your offering (payable to Palo Duro Presbytery with "PDA" noted in the memo) may be mailed to Palo Duro Presbytery, P.O. Box 16267, Lubbock, TX 79490 or given through PayPal using this QR code.



### DOXOLOGY (Read and not sung.)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

**CHRIST'S TABLE OFFERED TO ALL**

Pastor Linda Leveridge

## SENDING FORTH

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Pastor Linda Leveridge

**HYMN POEM**

Pastor Bill Wiles

### Christ of the Upward Way

Walter John Mathams, c. 1915

George Lomas, 1876

1. Christ of the upward way, my Guide divine,  
Where Thou hast set Thy feet, may I place mine;  
And move and march wherever Thou hast trod,  
Keeping face forward up the hill of God.
2. Give me the heart to hear Thy voice and will,  
That without fault or fear I may fulfill  
Thy purpose with a glad and holy zest,  
Like one who would not bring less than his best.
3. Give me the eye to see each chance to serve,  
Then send me strength to rise with steady nerve,  
And leap at once with kind and helpful deed,  
To the sure succor of a soul in need.
4. Give me the good stout arm to shield the right,  
And wield Thy sword of truth with all my might,  
That, in the warfare I must wage for Thee,  
More than a victor I may ever be.
5. Christ of the upward way, my Guide divine,  
Where Thou hast set Thy feet, may I place mine;  
And when Thy last call comes, serene and clear,  
Calm may my answer be, "Lord, I am here."

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Bill Wiles