



Order for the Worship of God

162nd Meeting of Palo Duro Presbytery
hosted by

St. Luke Presbyterian Church, Amarillo

September 26, 2025

Stop For Repairs

by David A. Redding, 1965

O Lord,
Life the oppression
Of self-concern that
Settles on us overnight.
Goodness is so slippery—
We keep losing our grip.
You grab hold of us,
We give up.
Great Physician,
Our shoulders are not broad enough
To bear despair.
We need more backbone,
More spring in our step of faith.
Put some peace into us,
So we can
Leave this house like new,
Better able to bear the Good News to others
In more desperate straits.
Help us to be friends first,
And be the first
To make up.
Embrace again, O God,
Before we go, that we
May go back to work
Happy as kings, because
We are not afraid to be beggars
Before Your mercy seat.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND CONTEMPLATION

PRELUDE

"Celebration"
James Denton

Mila Abbasova

CHORAL INTROIT

"We Are Gathered Here"
Bishop Todd O'Neill, 2011

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND POETRY

Rev. Dr. Scott Campbell

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RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 19

Pastor Sara Core

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

People: **The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.**

Leader: Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

People: **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Sara Core

* HYMN

"Let's Sing unto the Lord"

#669

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Elder Melissa Lowe

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being; you have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Please give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, so that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness will keep us from living it; and that in your light we may see clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF SILENT CONFESSION

CHORAL REQUEST FOR PARDON: “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Elder Melissa Lowe

Leader: As God’s own people, may we be forever in action, kind in heart, and humble in mind.
Always be ready to forgive others as freely as God has forgiven you.

People: **Let us always be loving and thankful for what Christ has done for us! Thanks be to God!**

<p>MEDITATING ON AND RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD</p>
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PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Elder and Stated Clerk David Kemp

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder and Stated Clerk David Kemp

Lord of abundant mercy, be with us and open our hearts and minds to your Good News, so that we might find courage and healing. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM

“Christian Hearts in Love United”
Nicolaus Ludwig, Graf von Zinzendorf, 1723

PROCLAMATION:

2 TIMOTHY 4:12

“Embrace & Elevate”

Pastor Charlie Bazan, Director of Family Ministries, First Presbyterian Church, Graham
and Rachel White, Director of our Buffalo Gap summer camps

OFFERING

Rev. Dr. Scott Campbell

The offering tonight is designated giving for Laundry Love, a ministry of St. Luke Presbyterian Church that introduces all PDP churches to this ministry.

OFFERTORY



UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Dr. Scott Campbell

Lord Jesus, for our sakes you gave everything so that through your sacrifice all of us would have Eternal Life. We dedicate this offering to the work of your Church, and we ask that all that we have, and all that we are, be used in service to your will. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Bill Cotman

CHORAL PRAYER RESONSE: “Hear Our Prayer, Oh Lord”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: From “A Brief Statement of Faith”

Rev. Bill Cotman

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully

God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

COMMUNION HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” #525

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER Pastor Charlie Bazan, Rev. Bill Cotman
Open to every created one. and Elder Rachel White

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Elder Rachel White

CLOSING HYMN “Lord, Make Us More Holy” #313

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Pastor Charlie Bazan

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE “Hornpipe” Mila Abbasova
G.F. Handel, 1717

Leaders –Pastor Sara Core, Elder Melissa Lowe, Brenna Lowe, Elder and Stated Clerk David Kemp, Rev. Bill Cotman, Pastor Charlie Bazan, Elder Rachel White, and Rev. Dr. Scott Campbell
Choir Director – Elder Dr. Robert Hansen
Pianist/Organist – Mila Abbasova