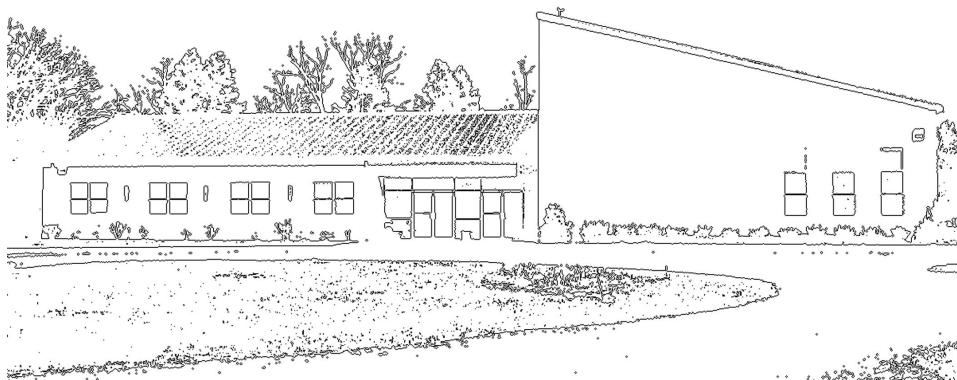


# Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bowie

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

**LORD'S DAY**  
**FEBRUARY 5, 2023**



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# Welcome

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## A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

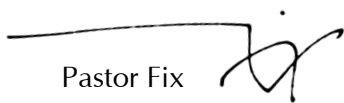
*We are so glad you  
are here!*

Welcome to Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bowie! We're glad you are able to join our church family today as we do what we were made to do together, namely glorify and enjoy God.

Weekly worship is the center of our life together as the body of Christ, as we meet with God and are spiritually nourished and built up by his Word and Sacraments, which focus our attention on the Good News of Jesus Christ. We want to do this as he tells us he wants us to in the Bible, so our worship seeks to reflect that.

We would love to meet you and for you to get to know us, so please plan to stay after worship for some coffee and tea in the foyer and our discipleship classes for all ages that follow worship.

Warmly,

  
Pastor Fix

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## FOR YOUR FAMILY

We believe in families worshipping together so we welcome children of all ages to be with us during the whole worship service.

**Nursery** is offered for children ages 0–3 years during the morning worship service and morning discipleship.

**Discipleship** is offered for all ages immediately after the morning worship service. We have classes for children age 4 through 12th grade in the classrooms. For adults we have either a class or sermon discussion in the big meeting room.

**Evening Worship** meets every Sunday at 6:00 PM, except on the first Sunday, when we have Hymn Sing.

**Audio recordings** of morning and evening sermons are available on our website, [www.rpcbowie.org](http://www.rpcbowie.org).

Please remember to silence your **mobile devices** during the worship services.

# Order of Worship

## COMING BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD

*God invites us to worship him in spirit and in truth*

Call to Worship ..... *Chris Calvi*

*We praise God through song*

\* Hymn #101 ..... Come Thou Almighty King

*We praise God through prayer and acknowledge our need of forgiveness and renewal through the cleansing blood of Jesus*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession ..... *Chris Calvi*

***Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature—prone to evil and slothful in good—and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways we have displeased You.***

***Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we ask You, that we may from here on live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*God reminds us of his promise of forgiveness in Christ*

Assurance of Pardon ..... Hebrews 9:11–15

\* Gloria Patri (#735)

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-  
ginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men

## RECEIVING GOD’S WORD

*God speaks to us through his Word read and preached*

Old Testament Reading..... Deuteronomy 6:1–15 (p. 151)

\* Hymn #103 ..... Holy God, We Praise Your Name

\*Congregation standing

# Order of Worship (*cont.*)

New Testament Reading ..... John 5:16–24 (p.890)

*Space for notes is  
provided on page 7*

Sermon..... **WSC QA#5&6—One God, Three Persons**  
*Pastor Fix*

*We prepare to receive  
the visible Gospel  
in the Supper*

\* Hymn (p. 6) ..... There Is a Redeemer

*We confess our faith  
together with the  
broader church today  
and the church of  
ages past*

\* Confession of Faith ..... The Nicene Creed

***I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.***

***And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets.***

***And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.†***

*We receive the grace of  
the Gospel in the visible  
form of bread and wine*

Lord's Supper..... *Pastor Fix*

*We use carefully prepared gluten-free bread and wine (center trays) or grape juice (outside trays). Please come forward by row beginning with the front rows using the center aisle to pick up the elements and return to your seats by the side aisles. Please hold the elements until all have received them, so that we can partake together.*

\*Congregation standing

†The word "catholic" with a lower case "c" means "universal."

# Order of Worship (cont.)

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*We respond in praise  
for the blessings  
received in the Gospel*

\* Hymn #98 .....Now Thank We All Our God

*We give thanks and  
bring our needs to God*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession.....*Tim Jones*

*We give a portion back  
as thanks to God*

Offering ..... Sing to the Lord, Alleluia

*Sing to the Lord, and let us rejoice! Sing to the Lord, alleluia!*

*Power and praise, anthems we raise, Sing to the Lord, alleluia!  
Sing and rejoice, lift every voice, Sing to the Lord, alleluia!*

*Joyfully sing, praises we bring, Sing to the Lord, alleluia!  
Anthems of praise, gratefully raise, Sing to the Lord, alleluia!*

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\* Doxology (#733)

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly  
Ghost: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*God sends us out  
with his blessing*

\* Benediction ..... *Pastor Fix*

\* Amen (#740)

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

\*Congregation standing

## THERE IS A REDEEMER

Melody Green



1. There is a Re - deem - er - Je - sus, God's own Son;  
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names;  
 3. When I stand in Glo - ry, I will see his face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, hope for sin - ners slain.  
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er in that ho - ly place.



Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us your Son, and leav - ing your



Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

# Sermon Notes

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# Next Two Weeks at a Glance

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## THIS WEEK 2/5 – 2/11

- SUNDAY 2/5** Morning Worship, 10:00 AM  
Discipleship for All Ages, 11:45 AM  
Hymn Sing, 6:00 PM
- TUESDAY 2/7** Women's Book Club, 6:30 PM at Tricia Bloomberg's
- WEDNESDAY 2/8** [Prayer Meeting Videoconference](#), 7:30 PM
- THURSDAY 2/9** [Engaging Disability Zoom](#) with Kevin Daane, 7:30 PM
- FRIDAY 2/10** [Men's Study Videoconference](#), 7:00 AM

## NEXT WEEK 2/12 – 2/18

- SUNDAY 2/12** Morning Worship, 10:00 AM  
Discipleship for All Ages, 11:45 AM  
Evening Worship, 6:00 PM
- MONDAY 2/13** Women's Study, 7:00 PM at the Langleys'
- WEDNESDAY 2/15** Women's Study, 2:15 PM at the Langleys'  
[Prayer Meeting Videoconference](#), 7:30 PM
- THURSDAY 2/16** Third Thursday Fellowship, 6:00 PM at Ledo's in Bowie  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM
- FRIDAY 2/17** [Men's Study Videoconference](#), 7:00 AM
- SATURDAY 2/18** Men's Study, 8:30 AM at the Fixes'



# Preparation for Next Lord's Day

**SERMON SERIES:** WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHSIM

**SERMON TITLE:** "QA7&8 – *The Divine Decree(s)*"

**SERMON TEXT:** *Ephesians 1:1–14*

**PREACHER:** *Pastor Fix*

**MONDAY**                    **Ephesians 1:1–14**  
 Why do things happen as they do? Who's in control? Application?

**TUESDAY**                **Acts 2:22–36; Acts 4:23–31**  
 What do we learn from the apostles' view of God's sovereignty?

**WEDNESDAY**            **Psalms 33; 135; 148**  
 What do these Psalms say about God's decree(s)? Application?

**THURSDAY**              **Daniel 4**  
 What all does God rule over in his sovereign power? Apply this.

**FRIDAY**                    **Isaiah 14:24–27; 40:8–13 Proverbs 16:33; 19:21**  
 How is creation a work of all Three Persons of the Trinity?

**SATURDAY**              **Romans 9, 11**  
 How is our salvation being rooted in God's eternal decree such good news?

**Westminster Shorter Catechism Question / Answer #7&8**

[Historic Version \(1647\)](#)

**Q: *What are the Decrees of God?***

A: The Decrees of God are, his eternall purpose according to the counsell of his Will, whereby for his own glory, he hath fore-ordained whatsoever comes to passe.

**Q: *How doth God execute his Decrees?***

A: God executeth his Decrees in the Works of Creation and Providence.

**Modern Version**

**Q: *What are the decrees of God?***

A: The decrees of God are his eternal plan according to his purposeful intention, in which he has foreordained everything that happens.

**Q: *How does God carry out his decrees?***

A: God carries out his decrees in his acts of creation and providence.

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