

**FEDERATED CHURCH OF HYANNIS**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**December 29, 2024**

*~Reminder – please silence all cell phones before the Worship Service begins~*

**PRELUDE**                      “O Worship the King”, J. M. Haydn                      Roy Campbell

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**                      **Pastor Dave McPherson**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE WITH THE CONGREGATION,  
PRESENT AND ONLINE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (all)**                      *from Psalm 147*

Pastor: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

**People: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.**

Pastor: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground. Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

**People: He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.**

**All: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #552                      “We Gather Together”**

*1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing,  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.*

*2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine,  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine.*

*3 We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.*



**\*CLOSING HYMN #330      “Rock of Ages”**

*1 Rock of ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.*

*2 Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.*

*3 Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die!*

*4 While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyes shall close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee!*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE      “ ‘S Wonderful”, G & I Gershwin      Roy Campbell**

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**The Flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of our dad Hugh Findlay's  
birthday from Alan, Martha, and Lois.**

**DECEMBER MISSION**

**Our December Mission of the Month is to collect hat and mittens for the  
Hyannis West Elementary School students. If you'd like to make a monetary  
donation, please make your check out to the church and note "Missions" on your  
checks memo line. Thank you for your continued generosity.**

## **ROOTED RESOURCES –**

1. In 1John 2:28, John says that we are to “continue in Him.” What does that mean to you? How do you do that practically? He continues that reasoning by giving the other half of the equation: “so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before Him at His coming.” Are you “confident and unashamed?” Why or why not?
2. What does it mean to you to be called a “child of God?”
3. Knowing is one thing, but being known is another. Do you both *know* Jesus and are you *known* by Him? What is the difference? If you know Christ, how are you known by Him? Are there things you are doing that are allowing Him to know you personally, to have a better relationship with Him?
4. As a follower of Christ, God is your Abba, or Father (Romans 8:14-17 & Galatians 4:4-7).  
How does this reality impact how you see each of the following:
  - God
  - Yourself
  - Other followers of Christ
  - Those who don’t know Christ

### **This Week**

**Sunday, December 29** – Worship Service, 10:00 am (S)  
NA 6:00 pm (BH)

**Monday, December 30** - AA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

**Tuesday, December 31** - NA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

**Wednesday, January 1** – **Church Office Closed**

**Saturday, January 4** – NA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

**Sunday, January 5** – Worship Service, 10:00 am (S)  
NA 6:00 pm (BH)

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