



CHRIST

Presbyterian Church

BURKE

Lord's Day Worship

August 2, 2026

WELCOME

*During Christian worship we cross the threshold
of the secular to the sacred,
from the common to the uncommon,
from the profane to the holy.
Our contact with the holy is not merely an encounter
with a different dimension of reality;
it is the meeting with Absolute Reality.
Christianity is not about involvement with religious experience as a tangent.
It involves a meeting with a holy God.¹*

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude: *The Lord's My Light*, Psalm 27 set to BETHLEHEM by Gottfried Wilhelm Fink (1842)

*The LORD's my light and saving help—
by whom am I dismayed?
The LORD's the stronghold of my life—
of whom am I afraid?
When evildoers threaten me
to eat my flesh away,
my adversaries and my foes
will stumble in that day.*

*Though armies war on ev'ry side,
my heart will feel no dread;
though war against me should arise,
yet I will lift my head.
One thing I plead before the LORD,
and seek with heart upraised:
that I may come within God's house
and dwell there all my days—*

CALL TO WORSHIP: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17–21

Minister: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Church: ²¹ **For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**

¹ R.C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God* (Peabody: Hendrickson, 2010), 144, 146.

PSALM OF ADORATION

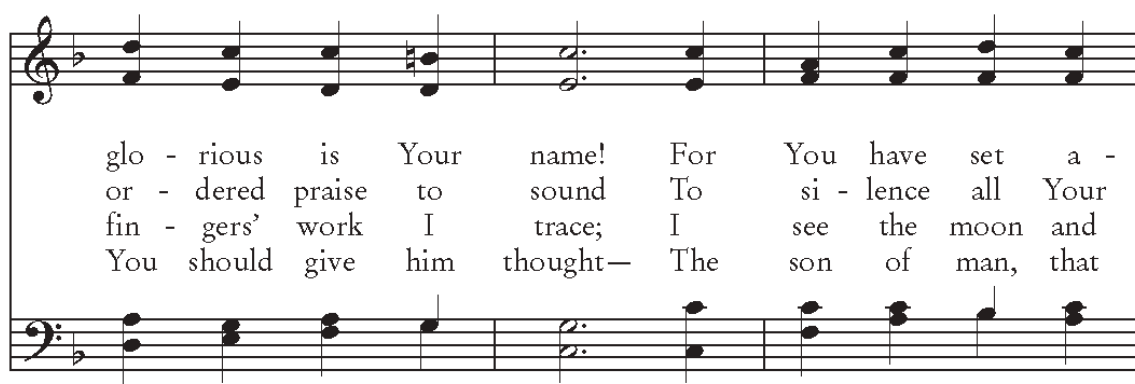
O LORD, Our Lord

*I tell you that if these should keep silent,
the stones would immediately cry out. —Luke 19:40*

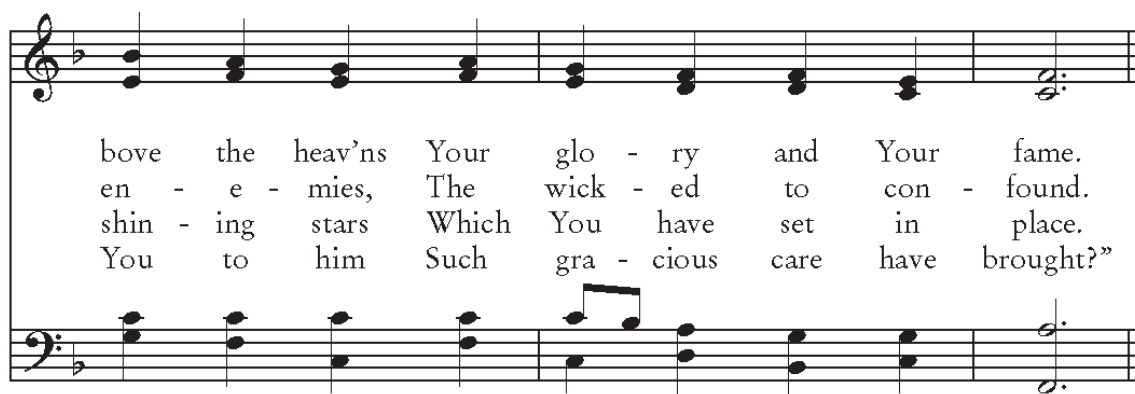
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Psalm 8



1. ¹ O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How
2. ² From in - fants' and from chil - dren's lips You
3. ³ When I re - gard the heav'ns You made, Your
4. ⁴ I ask my - self, "What then is man That



glo - rious is Your name! For You have set a -
or - dered praise to sound To si - lence all Your
fin - gers' work I trace; I see the moon and
You should give him thought— The son of man, that



bove the heav'ns Your glo - ry and Your fame.
en - e - mies, The wick - ed to con - found.
shin - ing stars Which You have set in place.
You to him Such gra - cious care have brought?"

5. ⁵ Yet You created him to be
Just less than one divine;
You gave him honor as a crown,
And made his glory shine.

6. ⁶ You made him ruler of the works
Created by Your hand;
You placed all things beneath his feet
To be in his command:

7. ^{7,8} All sheep and oxen, birds and fish,
All beasts both wild and tame.

⁹ O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth
How glorious is Your name!

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM² AND HEIDELBERG CATECHISM³ QUESTIONS 1

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

Church: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Church: That I am not my own,
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
also assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.

² In 1643, the English Parliament convened an assembly at Westminster Abbey to advise them on how to reform the Church of England. The Assembly produced three documents: a Confession of Faith, Larger Catechism, and Shorter Catechism, which ultimately were not adopted by the Church of England but were adopted by the Church of Scotland and the Presbyterian churches in America as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Bible.

³ The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), produced by the Reformed churches on the continent of Europe, was one of the earliest confessions of the Reformation. It is loved for how it warmly states the doctrines of the Bible.

READING OF THE LAW FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT: LUKE 10:25–28

And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷ And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION⁴

**All: For so long, O Lord, I have lived in this world of yours,
which you made and not I,
as if I might do in it, and with myself, what I pleased!
I have usurped upon your unquestionable right in me,
have lived to myself and not to you;
Turn me and I shall be turned;
you are the Lord my God. Amen.**

Adapted from a prayer by John Howe (1630–1705)⁵

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: EPHESIANS 2:4–7

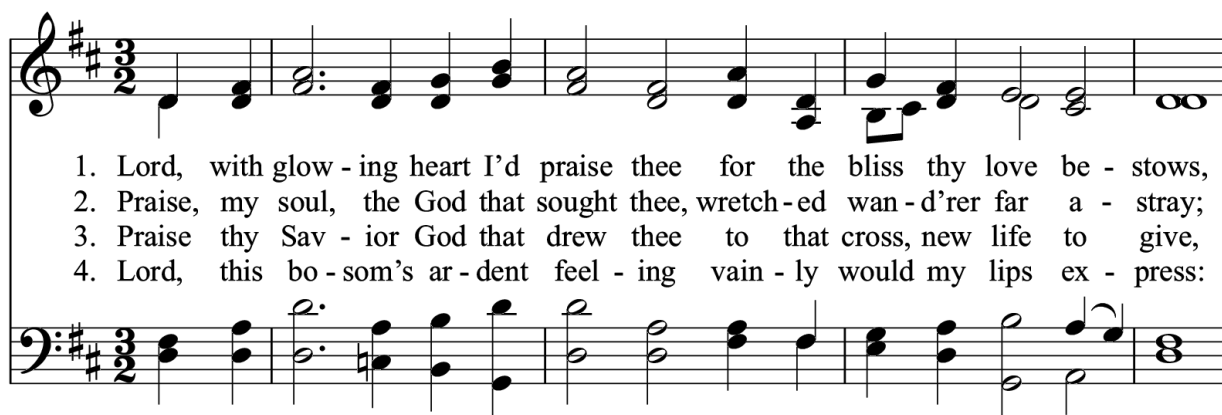
But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

⁴ In our prayer of confession, we are honest with God, with ourselves, and with each other about who God is and who we are, confessing that He is holy, righteous, just, and loving; and that we are not; yet, we are trusting in His mercy and grace available in Jesus Christ. We then have the joy of hearing God’s Word say that He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins when we confess (1 John 1:9). Then we have the joy of responding in song.

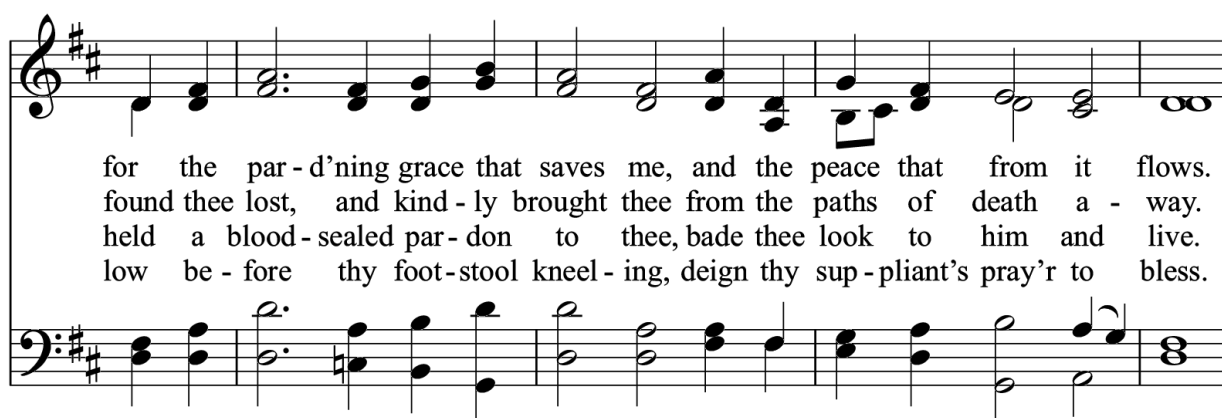
⁵ Jonathan Gibson, *O Sacred Head Now Wounded* (Wheaton, Crossway: 2024).

HYMN OF CONFESSION

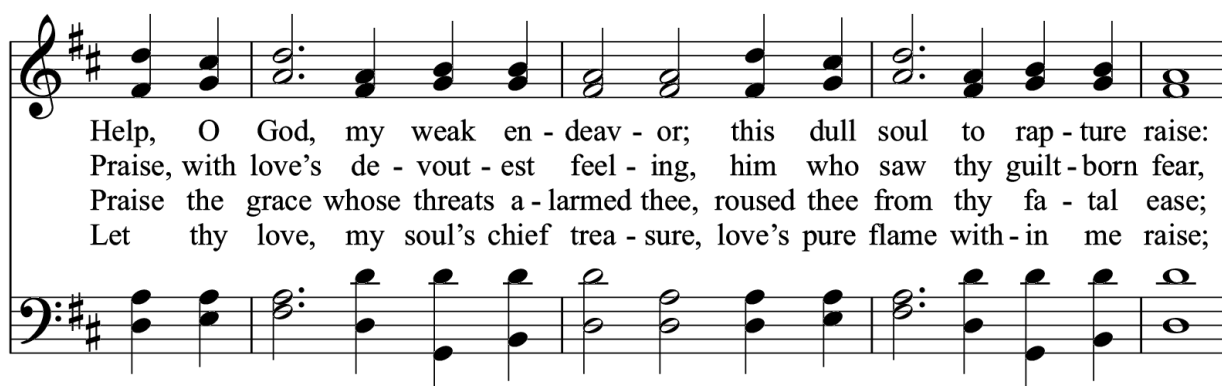
238 Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee



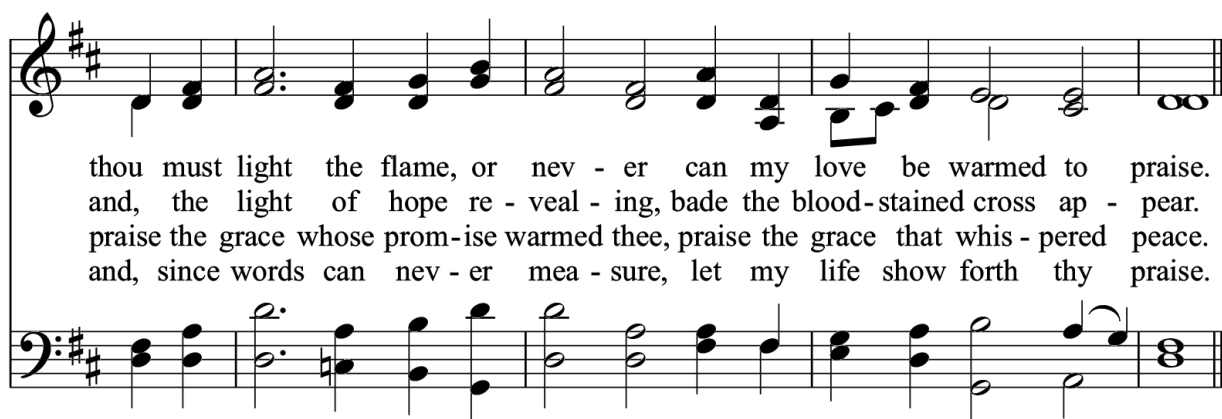
1. Lord, with glow - ing heart I'd praise thee for the bliss thy love be - stows,
2. Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee, wretch - ed wan - d'rer far a - stray;
3. Praise thy Sav - ior God that drew thee to that cross, new life to give,
4. Lord, this bo - som's ar - dent feel - ing vain - ly would my lips ex - press:



for the par - d'ning grace that saves me, and the peace that from it flows.
found thee lost, and kind - ly brought thee from the paths of death a - way.
held a blood - sealed par - don to thee, bade thee look to him and live.
low be - fore thy foot - stool kneel - ing, deign thy sup - pliant's pray'r to bless.



Help, O God, my weak en - deav - or; this dull soul to rap - ture raise:
Praise, with love's de - vout - est feel - ing, him who saw thy guilt - born fear,
Praise the grace whose threats a - larmed thee, roused thee from thy fa - tal ease;
Let thy love, my soul's chief trea - sure, love's pure flame with - in me raise;



thou must light the flame, or nev - er can my love be warmed to praise.
and, the light of hope re - veal - ing, bade the blood - stained cross ap - pear.
praise the grace whose prom - ise warmed thee, praise the grace that whis - pered peace.
and, since words can nev - er mea - sure, let my life show forth thy praise.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

As the Apostle Paul encouraged churches to “Greet one another” (Romans 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:26), please greet those around you, and please introduce yourself to anyone you do not know.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Christ intercedes for His church in prayer (John 17; Luke 23:34; Hebrews 7:25), and He gives His church the ministry of praying “with each other for each other” as well praying for the community in which our church is placed (1 Timothy 2:1–4). We also use this time to pray for the advancement of God’s kingdom in the world (Matthew 6:10).

NEW TESTAMENT READING: ACTS 11:19–30

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews.²⁰ But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus.²¹ And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord.²² The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.²³ When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose,²⁴ for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.²⁵ So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,²⁶ and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

²⁷ Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch.²⁸ And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius).²⁹ So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea.³⁰ And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

What Were The First Christians Like? (Part I of II)

J. Porter Harlow

Minister

HYMN OF RESPONSE

I Am Not My Own

Words and Music by
Skye Peterson, Ben Shive,
Bryan Fowler and Thomas Anderson

With Assurance ♩ = 73

Chorus: A F#m D E F#m D

1. The One who made the hea - vens made my heart and soul, be - fore I drew a breath, I was
 2. My bo - dy is a tem - ple of the Li - ving God, I'll wor-ship in this house that His
 3. And if He has re-deemed me, I am not my own; the mea-sure of my worth is His
 4. I am not my own, and now my heart is free; oh, Ma - ker, come and make what You

Verse: A/E E F#m E/G# A A/C# D

loved and known. I am His cre - a - tion, the Ma - ker's mas - ter - piece and
 blood has bought. As I bear His im - age, oh may I not pro - fane the
 love a - lone. He de - clares my stand - ing and He de - clares my state. So
 will of me. There is noth - ing bro - ken that You can - not re - pair, so

Bridge: A/C# D A/E E 1. A E/A D/A 2.3.4. A **Refrain**

all that He de - signs will be done in me. My
 ho - li - ness I hold in this earth - ly frame.
 I will know my - self by the name He gave. } I be -
 Lord, I leave my life in Your lov - ing care. }

Final Chorus: D A E F#m D A/C# D^{ma7} E A

long to the Lord; oh, I am not my own. I be - long to the Lord; I am not my own. I will

hon - or Him, for this I know: I be - long to the Lord; I am not my
own. And own.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: *I Lay My Sins On Jesus*, by Horatius Bonar (1843) and set to
COMMEMORATION by Bartholomaeus Gesius (1605)

*I lay my sins on Jesus,
the spotless Lamb of God;
he bears them all, and frees us
from the accursed load:
I bring my guilt to Jesus,
to wash my crimson stains
white in his blood most precious,
'til not a spot remains.*

*I lay my wants on Jesus;
all fullness dwells in him;
he heals all my diseases,
he doth my soul redeem:
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
my burdens and my cares;
he from them all releases,
he all my sorrows shares.*

*I rest my soul on Jesus,
this weary soul of mine;
his right hand me embraces,
I on his breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
like fragrance on the breezes
his name abroad is poured.*

Sermon Outline

What Were The First Christians Like? (Part I of II)

Acts 11:19-30

- Their City (v. 19, 26)
- Their Faith (v. 19-21)
- Their Conversations (v.19-20)
- Their Hunger (v.25–26)
- Their New Name: “Christians” (v.26)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

During our prayer of thanksgiving, we express our thankfulness for what the Lord has provided, and we ask him to use our tithes and offerings to advance his kingdom and provide for those in need. Our church has three opportunities to give: (1) over the internet, (2) the collection box on the back table, or (3) by mail. Please see the announcements page for details.

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

Gloria Patri

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in

the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

2nd cent.; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (Greateorex) Irreg.
Henry W. Greateorex, 1851

BENEDICTION: EPHESIANS 3:20–21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leadership. Christ Presbyterian is served by the following leaders:

- Teaching Elder: Porter Harlow
- Ruling Elders: Scott Hatch, Kevin Horrigan, David Hudak, and Philip Lee
- Deacons: Nathanael Achor, Gunnar Conrow, David Och, Wade Woo, Chuck Virts
- Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Bethany Fernandez, Kristy Hatch, and Lee Ann Hudak

Giving. You may support the work of the Lord by giving in the following ways.

- **Internet.** Go to <https://cpcburke.org/support> or you may scan this QR Code.
- **Offering Box.** You may place your offering in the wooden box on the back table. Offering boxes were used in Old Testament synagogues (Luke 21:1-4). The early church continued to use them.



Recurring Events (Most on Summer Vacation Until September)

- **First Sunday Fellowship Meals** on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- **Sunday School.** We offer Sunday School after worship starting at 11:05 AM for children ages 0-3 in the nursery through Middle and High School.
- **Small Groups**
 - Wednesday Small Group meets weekly at 7:30 pm in the Hudak home.
 - Friday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Fridays at 6:00 pm in a rotating home.
 - Sunday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Sundays at 4:00 pm in a rotating home.
- **Men's Breakfast** meets on the second Saturday of each month.
- **Women's Fellowship.** The Women's Bible Study meets on the third Saturday of each month.

Missions We Support. Please pray for the missions we support.

- **Church Planting in DC Area.**
 - One Voice Fellowship, pastored by Chris Sicks, is a multilingual church on mission to reach ethnic and religious minorities in Falls Church.
 - Ark Covenant Church, pastored by Zhongming Chen, reaching Mandarin speakers in Fairfax
- **Church Planting in Abilene, Texas.** Our former assistant pastor, Robert Hasler, is planting Christ the King Presbyterian Church.
- **Church Planting in Dearborn, Michigan.** Jerry Riendeau is preparing to plant in Dearborn, Michigan, home to the largest Arabic speaking population outside the Middle East.
- **Church Planting in England.** Oxford Presbyterian Church is a church being planted by in Oxford, England, by Andy Young.
- **Church Planting in Japan.** Jason & Ai Kueh are PCA missionaries planting in Shin-Urayasu, a Tokyo suburb. Jason is also ordained in the Presbyterian Church in Japan.
- **Church Planting in East Asia.** We support a PCA missionary who is training pastors in East Asia as part of a church planting movement underway there.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at GMU.** Pastor Matthew DeLong is on mission to reach international students at GMU.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at University of Alabama, Birmingham.** Our own Joanna will be serving as an intern for RUF-I at UAB.

Mercy Ministries We Support

- **The Lamb Center** is a daytime homeless shelter sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- **Assist Pregnancy Center.** Assist promotes "life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."
- **Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO):** Local food pantry.

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