

# **Fellowship**

- Men's Bible Study: Tuesday, 6:30am @Rudys' BBQ, Topic: Genesis.
- -After work fellowship at Crossed Cannons, 5:30pm. Wednesday.
- Women's Bible Study: Thursday, 10:30am. 535 E. Boyd. & Wednesday,

8:00pm (on zoom). "The Lamb of God: Exodus." Begins this week!

- -Sunday Discipleship Ministries-"Attributes of God." 9:45-10:15 am.
- -Ministry Season Opening Day 2021-22- August 22<sup>nd</sup>
- -Church Organization Sunday- September 19, 2021. Save the Date!

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"Man's Chief End Is to Glorify God & Enjoy Him Forever."



Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman Order for the Worship of God Sunday, April 25, 2021 – 10:30-11:45 am Trinitynorman.com



"Glorifying God & Enjoying Him Forever."
"We exist to gather and perfect the saints of God in Norman, OK and beyond."

#### Pre-Service Meditation

"Unless people agree on what the problem is, they cannot agree on what the solution is. Unless we can agree on what we are being saved from, we cannot agree on what salvation itself is. For example, if we decide that the fundamental human problem is simply our location, our sense of loneliness in the universe, our sense of inadequacy, or our pathetic levels of self-esteem, we will tilt the gospel to meet this perceived need. 'Don't you realize that the gospel will give you your needed sense of self-importance? That will solve the problem of self-esteem.' 'Don't you recognize that the fundamental human problem is economic injustice? The good news is that God is all for justice. Preach this gospel and our cultures will be transformed.' I hasten to add that the bible does not dare to address matters of how we are to think of ourselves—matters that bear on self-esteem—and it is concerned with justice. Yet on the face of it Paul is convinced that the root problem is our rebellion against God, our fascination with idolatry, our grotesque de-godding of God."

-D.A. Carson, Scandalous

"The true disciple does not seek to be made better for his own glory, but in the interest and for the glory of God."

- Geerhardus Vos, Grace and Glory

"Psalm 4 is not a psalm of penitence, arising out of the recognition of sins committed; there are other psalms for that purpose. It is rather a psalm which reflects the anguish of the innocent and oppressed, or of the righteous sufferer. And thus it is a particularly important kind of psalm, for it addresses a fundamental human experience, the experience of injustice, suffering, and oppression...There are says in the lives of all human beings which require a psalm like this at their end...At the end, the Psalmist has seen that he is better off than his adversaries. He has advised them to lie still on their beds, in an attempt to curtail their evil, but he could lie on his bed and sleep the sleep of peace which came from God!"

-Peter Craigie, Psalms 1-50, Word Biblical Commentary.

"After trying all kinds of other things, Christians have learned that the worship of God with the whole heart in the assurance of his love through the work of Jesus Christ is the thing their souls are meant to 'run on.' If we look to our spouses to fill up our tanks in a way that ibly god can do, we are demanding an impossibility.

- Tim Keller, *The Meaning of Marriage* 

"Suffering is God's gift to make us aware of our contingent existence. It creates an environment where we see the true nature of our existence—dependent on the living God."

- Paul Miller, *The Praying Life* 

"Our children are not innately good, and we shouldn't tell them they are. But they are loved and if they truly believe that, his love will transform them."

– Elyse Fitzpatrick & Jessica Thompson, Give Them Grace.

# **Responding to the Word Preached**

# The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Institution of the Lord's Supper

Mark 14:23-25

22 And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." 23 And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. 24 And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. 25 Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

Communion Hymn:	#44	"How Great Thou Art"
Closing Words & Announce	ments	
Hymn of Commitment	#55	"To God Be the Glory"

Benediction Romans 16:20

Minister: "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

Doxology #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### **Further Questions for Study & Meditation:**

<u>Question ONE</u>: Do you think it is rare to find someone who would admit he or she is unrighteous? Upon what standard do most base their conclusions?

<u>Question TWO</u>: What are some of the implications of the truth expressed that all people's minds are corrupt? See v10-12

<u>Question THREE</u>: If no one seeks God? How does anyone become a Christian?

Question FOUR: Why should we not be surprised when people treat us badly or say hateful things to us? What consolation does a believer in Jesus have when one experiences these things?

Question FIVE: How does this passage impact how you think about evangelism? What role will the law of God play in your evangelism?

### **Sermon Notes**

#### Welcome

Silent prayer of preparation. You might utilize prayers & quotes from page 2.

# We Come to Worship at His Bidding

"Let everything that has breathe praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!" Psalm 150:6

#### Call to Worship

adapted from Psalm 98:1-4

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! **People: His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.** 

Minister: The LORD has made known His salvation;

**People:** He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Minister: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; **People: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!** 

#### Prayer of Adoration, Invocation, & 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. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### **Hymn of Invocation**

#53

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

#### Psalm Lesson-Psalm 4

"An Evening Psalm"

<sup>1</sup> Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me and hear my prayer! <sup>2</sup> O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? Selah

<sup>3</sup> But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. <sup>4</sup> Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. Selah <sup>5</sup> Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. <sup>6</sup> There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!" <sup>7</sup> You have put more joy in my heart

than they have when their grain and wine abound. <sup>8</sup> In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

#### **Public Confession of Sin**

Merciful LORD, fountain of all righteousnesness, who knowest the dangerous assaults, wherewith we are assaulted on all sides, refuse not our petitions; but let us have the sure experience of your favor, and goodness; to the intent that, whatsoever affliction may befall us, we may live in peace and quietness of spirit, awaiting the eternal rest which thou hast promised to your children through your dear Son, Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance Matthew 11:28-30

<sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Hymn of Celebration** 

#498

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

#### **Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

# We Give to God Ourselves Through Prayers, Tithes, and Offerings

# **Congregational Prayer**

The leader prays to Almighty God on behalf of the congregation and himself. This prayer includes adoration of God for who He is, confession of our sins against Him, thanksgiving for all of His manifold benefits to us, and supplication for our needs. The prayer is especially designed to help prepare the hearts and minds of God's people for the preaching of God's word which is to follow.

# **Collection of Tithes & Offerings**

Offering Hymn

Gloria Patri #735

Children's Catechism Lesson -

w/ Dr Ryan & Mrs. Stephanie

# Q11. What does God require in the 6th, 7th, & 8th commandments?

Sixth, that we do not hurt, or hate, or be hostile to our neighbor, but be patient and peaceful, pursuing even our enemies with love. Seventh, that we abstain from sexual immorality and live purely and faithfully, whether in marriage or in single life, avoiding all impure actions, looks, words, thoughts, or desires, and whatever might lead to them. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that

which belongs to someone else, nor withhold any good from someone we might benefit.

For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself.." – Romans 13:9

# Receiving the Word of God

Sermon: Romans 3:9-20

"An Accountable World"

(If able, please stand for the reading of God's word.) Rev. Justin Westmoreland

9 What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, 10 as it is written:

"None is righteous, no, not one; 11 no one understands; no one seeks for God.

12 All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one."

13 "Their throat is an open grave;

they use their tongues to deceive."

"The venom of asps is under their lips."

14 "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness."

15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16 in their paths are ruin and misery, 17 and the way of peace they have not known."

18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. 20 For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

We must make clear that by the works of the law, the world will not be justified, but will be held accountable:

- I. Accountable for being under sin's dominion. (9-10a)
- II. Accountable for practice of sin in thoughts/words/action (10b-18).
- III. Accountable in knowing silence (19-20).

So what???? 5