

TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
NORMAN, OKLAHOMA

10:30am. 535 E. Boyd.

- Sunday Discipleship Ministries**-“Attributes of God.” 9:45-10:15 am.
- Ministry Season Opening Day 2021-22**- August 29th
- Called Congregational Meeting**- after worship, June 27, 2021.
- Church Organization Sunday**- September 19, 2021. Save the Date!

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“Man’s Chief End Is to Glorify God & Enjoy Him Forever.”

Fellowship

- **Men’s Bible Study:** This week: Genesis 27:1-29. Rudy’s on Hwy 9. Tuesday, 6:30-7:30.
- After work fellowship** at Big Brew, 5:30pm. Monday.
- **Women’s Bible Study:** Thursday,



Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman
Order for the Worship of God
Sunday, June 6, 2021 – 10:30-11:45 am
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“Glorifying God & Enjoying Him Forever.”
“We exist to gather and perfect the saints of God
in Norman, OK and beyond.”

Pre-Service Meditation

From the Heidelberg Catechism

60. Q. How are you righteous before God?

Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of them, and am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.

61. Q. Why do you say that you are righteous only by faith?

Not that I am acceptable to God on account of the worthiness of my faith, for only the satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ is my righteousness before God. I can receive this righteousness and make it mine my own by faith only.

62. Q. But why can our good works not be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of it?

Because the righteousness which can stand before God's judgment must be absolutely perfect and in complete agreement with the law of God, whereas even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

63. Q. But do our good works earn nothing, even though God promises to reward them in this life and the next?

This reward is not earned; it is a gift of grace.

64. Q. Does this teaching not make people careless and wicked?

No. It is impossible that those grafted into Christ by true faith should not bring forth fruits of thankfulness.

"The central significance which Paul ascribes to the church in his epistles especially from two points of view from which he considers the church: in the first place, the church is the continuation and fulfillment of the historical people of God that in Abraham God chose to himself from all peoples and to which he bound himself by making the covenant and the promises. In the second place, he speaks of the church as the body of Christ."

– Herman Ridderboss, *Paul: An Outline of His Theology*

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:

"Yet Not I But through Christ in Me"

Closing Words & Announcements

Hymn of Commitment

#460

"Amazing Grace"

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:

Question ONE: How does Paul's use of Abraham (Genesis 11-25) as the prime example of justification by faith in Jesus Christ alone strengthen your desire to read and understand the Old Testament?

Question TWO: What does Paul mean here when he uses the term "flesh?"

Question THREE: Which works that Abraham did contributed to his justification?

Question FOUR: Which works that Abraham did or hypothetically could have done could have put his justification in jeopardy?

Question FIVE: What differences might we see in our lives, family, and community if everyone in them were justified as Abraham was and had their eyes wide open to comprehend its meaning? Note: This will only be true of our existence in the new heaven and new earth.

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 98:4, 7-9

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

People: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Minister: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

People: the world and those who dwell in it!

Minister: Let the rivers clap their hands;

People: let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord,

Minister: for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness,

People: and the peoples with equity.

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 #111 “This Is My Father’s World”

Psalm Lesson- from Psalm 10

“Practical Atheism!”

Why, O LORD, do you stand far away? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?

²In arrogance the wicked hotly pursue the poor; let them be caught in the schemes that they have devised. ³For the wicked boasts of the desires of his soul, and the one greedy for gain curses and renounces the LORD. ⁴In the pride of his face the wicked does not seek him; all his thoughts are, “There is no God.” ⁵His ways prosper at all times; your judgments are on high, out of his sight; as for all his foes, he puffs at them. ⁶He says in his heart, “I shall not be moved; throughout all generations I shall not meet adversity.” ⁷His mouth is filled with cursing and deceit and oppression; under his tongue are mischief and iniquity. ⁸He sits in ambush in the villages; in hiding places he murders the innocent. His eyes stealthily watch for the helpless; ⁹he lurks in ambush like a lion in his thicket; he lurks that he may seize the poor; he seizes the poor when he draws him into his net. ¹⁰The helpless are crushed, sink down, and fall by his might. ¹¹He says in his heart, “God has forgotten, he has hidden his face, he will never see it.”

do see, for you note mischief and vexation, that you may take it into your hands; to you the helpless commits himself; you have been the helper of the fatherless.

¹⁵ Break the arm of the wicked and evildoer; call his wickedness to account till you find none.

¹⁶ The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land.

Public Confession of Sin

Lord God, who can put in order things confused and out of order, arise and stretch forth thine arm to cast down the pride of such as lift up themselves against thee, and persecute thy little flock to the intent that, all resistance trodden down, thou mayest be acknowledged the Savior and Protector of all them that trust in thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We confess that we like sheep have gone astray and also engaged in this practical atheism through our pride and arrogance behaving as if you did not exist. We engage in vanity falsely trusting in our own sufficiency and strength and even seeking the downfall of others who are a threat to our autonomous reign of God's realm. May you forgive us of our practical atheism, and your Spirit cleanse us and cause us to leave behind the folly and sin of the old man and walk in the way of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

Galatians 3:5-9

Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith— just as Abraham “believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”?

Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.” So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

Hymn of Celebration

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Confession of Faith

The Westminster Larger Catechism Q71

Minister. How is justification an act of God's free grace?

People: Although Christ, by his obedience and death, did make a proper, real, and full satisfaction to God's justice in the behalf of them that are justified; yet in as much as God accepteth the satisfaction from a surety, which he might have demanded of them, and did provide this surety, his own only Son, imputing his righteousness to them, and requiring nothing of them for their justification but faith, which also is his gift, their justification is to them of free grace.

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.

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Collection of Tithes & Offerings

Offering Hymn

Gloria Patri #735

Receiving the Word of God

Sermon: **Romans 4:1-3**

“Justified: Just Like Abraham”

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

²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. ²⁹ Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, ³⁰ since God is one—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. ³¹ Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

⁴ What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

After articulating his gospel centering on a righteousness from God through justification by faith in Jesus Christ alone, Paul points us to Abraham as proof.

- I. Abraham was a sinner like us, yet counted as righteous by God
- II. Justification by faith saved Abraham from his past (the flesh).
- III. Justification by faith secured Abraham's future (his works can't undo God's declaration).
- IV. So should it be for you, only believe God, and be justified.