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Our Mission: "Gathering & Perfecting"

-Men's Bible Study: @Rudy's. Tuesday, 6:30am, "Genesis 45."

-Women's Bible Study: @Tammie's, Thursday, 10:30am, "Wisdom of God."

-Sunday Discipleship Ministries- "Covenant Theology w/ Cody" 9:45-10:15

-New Class: Gospel of Mark for middle and high school age students. Starts Mar 6.

-Children's Discipleship Ministries- "Church Values." 9:45-10:15

-Midweek fellowship- Feb 16, 5:30-7:00pm, Black Mesa.

-Ski-Grace- Spring Break 2023



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Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman
The Service of Worship of the Triune God
Sunday, February 13, 2021 – 10:30-11:45 am
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A Church for Norman

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

Pre-Service Meditation:

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons .6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- Galatians 4:4-7

"I can see no reason, therefore, for receding from the position, that the obedience of Christ as the mediatorial servant of the Father, a subject under moral law, grounded the Justification of his people as subjects of law, and that his obedience as a Son grounded their Adoption as children in God's house. The one entitles them to bow before God's throne, the other to sit at God's table."

- John L. Girardeau

"Christ did not love you for your good works. They were not the cause of His beginning to love you. So, He does not love you for your good works even now. They are not the cause of His continuing to love you. He loves you because He loves you."

- Derek Thomas

"Suffering is better than sinning. There is more evil in a drop of sin than in an ocean of affliction. Better, burn for Christ, than turn from Christ."

- Charles Spurgeon

16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,

18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

- 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

"The problem is that contemporary people think life is all about finding happiness. We decide what conditions will make us happy and then we work to bring those conditions about. To live for happiness means that you are trying to get something out of life. But when suffering comes along, it takes the conditions for happiness away, and so suffering destroys all your reason to keep living. But to "live for meaning" means not that you try to get something out of life but rather that life expects something from you. In other words, you have meaning only when there is something in life more important than your own personal freedom and happiness, something for which you are glad to sacrifice your happiness."

- Tim Keller, *Walking with God through Pain and Suffering*.

Responding to God's Word Preached

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Words of Institution- Matthew 26:26-29 *"Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."*

Communion Hymn

"As the Deer"

Closing Words & Announcements

Hymns of Commitment

"In Christ Alone"

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

24 The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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.

Review Questions: Use these questions personally or in a group to engage further with God's message in the sermon:

Question ONE: As simply as you can answer this question, why do Christians who are justified by faith in Christ endure suffering?

Question TWO: How does the picture of glory being the backdrop of suffering give you hope?

Question THREE: Can you recall an example of how being "short-sighted" short-circuited your joy? How can the absence of a long-range view of our sonship rob believers of joy?

Question FOUR: How do you see the groanings of creation which anticipate the return of Jesus?

Question FIVE: How do you see groanings in your existential life that should cause you to wait expectantly for the return of Christ?

Sermon Notes

Welcome & Statement of Purpose

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

We Come to Worship at His Bidding

“O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.” -Psalm 43:3

Call to Worship

adapted from Psalm 138

Minister: I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness,

People: for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your Word.

Minister: On the day I called, You answered me;

People: my strength of soul You increased.

Minister: All the kings of the earth shall give You thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of Your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,

People: for great is the glory of the LORD.

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

#53

“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”

Reading the Word

“No One Like Our God!”

Psalm 35:4-10, 27-28

⁴ Let them be put to shame and dishonor who seek after my life! Let them be turned back and disappointed who devise evil against me! ⁵ Let them be like chaff before the wind, with the angel of the LORD driving them away! ⁶ Let their way be dark and slippery, with the angel of the LORD pursuing them! ⁷ For without cause they hid their net for me; without cause they dug a pit for my life.

⁸ Let destruction come upon him when he does not know it! And let the net that he hid ensnare him; let him fall into it--to his destruction! ⁹ Then my soul will rejoice in the LORD, exulting in his salvation.

¹⁰ All my bones shall say, "O LORD, who is like you, delivering the poor from him who is too strong for him, the poor and needy from him who robs him?"

²⁷ Let those who delight in my righteousness shout for joy and be glad and say evermore, "Great is the LORD, who delights in the welfare of his servant!" ²⁸ Then my tongue shall tell of your righteousness and of your praise all the day long.

Public Confession of Sin

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 wherein 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 beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

1 John 1:9

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We Respond to the Gospel with Singing, Speaking Truth, Giving, & Prayers

Hymn

#455

“And Can It Be

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..

*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

Congregational Prayer

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

Deuteronomy 16:17

“Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you.”

Offering Hymn

Gloria Patri #735

We Hear, Receive, and Rest upon the Word of God

Children’s Catechism Lesson – w/ Dr Ryan & Mrs. Stephanie

Q49. **Where is Christ now?** A. Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of the Father, ruling his kingdom and interceding for us, until he returns to judge and renew the whole world.

Q50. **What does Christ’s resurrection mean for us?** A. Christ triumphed over sin and death by being physically resurrected, so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come. Just as we will one day be resurrected, so this world will one day be restored. But those who do not trust in Christ will be raised to everlasting death.

Sermon:

Romans 8:18-25 “Considering the Weight of Glory”

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

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Main Point: In Romans 8 we have learned the gospel, that believers in Christ are not only uncondemnable and formerly enslaved to sin, but now due to the ministry of the Holy Spirit, all believers are made sons of God by adoption, today we’ll consider the role of suffering in the lives of believers.

- I. Considering the Weight of our Groaning
- II. Considering the Waiting of the “now-not yet”
- III. Consider the Weight of the Hope in the Revealing of the Sons