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Our Mission: "Gathering & Perfecting"

-Men's Bible Study: @Rudy's. Tuesday, 6:30am, "Genesis 47."

-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 21, 5:30-7:00pm, Crossed Cannons.

-Ski-Grace- Spring Break 2023



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Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman
The Service of Worship of the Triune God
Sunday, February 20, 2021 – 10:30-11:45 am
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TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN
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:

“A family without prayer is like a house without a roof, open and exposed to all the storms of heaven.”

- Thomas Brooks

“You can do more than pray after you have prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until you have prayed. Pray often, for prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge to Satan.”

- John Bunyan

“We don’t drift into spiritual life; we do not drift into disciplined prayer. We do not grow in prayer unless we plan to pray. That means we must set aside time to do nothing but pray. What we actually do reflects our highest priorities. That means that we can proclaim our commitment to prayer until the cows come home, but unless we actually pray, our actions disown our words.”

- D.A. Carson

“Sometimes the Father may box us in, place us in a situation in which, one by one, all our secondary helps and supports are taken from us, in order that, defenseless, we may lean on His mercy alone – prayer. Once we see this, we will no longer regard prayer as a pious cop-out but as our only rational activity.”

- Ralph Davis

“You may as soon find a living man who does not breathe, as a living Christian who does not pray.”

- Matthew Henry

“P.T. Forsyth once said, ‘The worst sin is prayerlessness.’ We usually think of murder, adultery, or theft as among the worst. But the root of all sin is self-sufficiency, independence from God. When we fail to wait prayerfully for God’s guidance and strength, we are saying, with our actions if not our lips, that we do not need Him. How much of our service is characterized by ‘going it alone?’”

- Charles Hummel

“Godliness is a supernatural thing; by nature, we inherit nothing but evil, Rom. vii. 5. When we were in the flesh, the motions of sin did work in our members: we did suck in sin as naturally as our mother’s milk; but godliness is the wisdom from above, Jam. iii. 17. It is breathed in from heaven. God must light up the lamp of grace in the heart; weeds grow of themselves, flowers are planted. Godliness is a celestial plant that comes from the New Jerusalem: therefore it is called a fruit of the Spirit, Gal. v. 22. A man hath no more power to change himself, than to create himself.

- Thomas Watson, *The Godly Man’s Picture*

“Just as the first sign of life in a newborn infant is breathing, so the first act of men and women when they are born again is praying.”

- J.C. Ryle, *Practical Religion*

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

#252

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Closing Words & Announcements

Hymns of Commitment

#55

“To God Be the Glory”

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: What are reasons that a Christian should be convinced that God will never lose him or her?

Question TWO: See v26, what exactly ought our inability to even craft a credible prayer strategy or know what specifically to pray demonstrate to a believer?

Question THREE: v26-27 teach the Holy Spirit is active in our praying. What would be lost by us if the Holy Spirit was not involved with us in our prayers?

Question FOUR: How do these verses prove that our weaknesses will never be able to frustrate God’s purpose to rescue any sinner whom he desires to save?

Question FIVE: Do the lessons learned in v26-27 encourage you pray more diligently or less diligently? How is all true prayer gospel-driven prayer?

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 96:1-6

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song;

People: sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Minister: Sing to the LORD, bless His name;

People: tell of His salvation from day to day.

Minister: Declare His glory among the nations,

People: His marvelous works among all the peoples!

Minister: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

People: He is to be feared above all gods.

Minister: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,

People: but the LORD made the heavens.

Minister: Splendor and majesty are before Him;

People: strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

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

“Living Hope”

Reading the Word

“Praying the Attributes of God”

Psalm 36

To the choirmaster. Of David, the servant of the LORD. Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes. ² For he flatters himself in his own eyes that his iniquity cannot be found out and hated. ³ The words of his mouth are trouble and deceit; he has ceased to act wisely and do good. ⁴ He plots trouble while on his bed; he sets himself in a way that is not good; he does not reject evil. ⁵ Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. ⁶ Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. ⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. ⁹ For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light. ¹⁰ Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart! ¹¹ Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. ¹² There the evildoers lie fallen; they are thrust down, unable to rise.

Public Confession of Sin

O Righteous Father, whom the world knoweth not, we confess our sins. Imprint thy fear in our hearts, which may chase away all wickedness and iniquity from us. Prepare our hearts to all good works, that we, depending on thy providence, and living under the shadow of thy wings, may be replenished with the abundance of thy blessings, promised and prepared for all those whom thou hast given to Jesus Christ thy Son. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

Romans 5:8

“God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for sinners.”

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

Q51. **Of what advantage to us is Christ’s ascension?** A. Christ physically ascended on our behalf, just as he came down to earth physically on our account, and he is now advocating for us in the presence of his Father, preparing a place for us, and also sends us his Spirit.

Q52. **What hope does everlasting life hold for us?** A. It reminds us that this present fallen world is not all there is; soon we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new city, in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be fully and forever freed from all sin and will inhabit renewed, resurrection bodies in a renewed, restored creation.

Sermon:

Romans 8:26-27 “All True Prayer is Gospel-Driven Prayer”

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

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. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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. We learn that we will be powerfully rescued from suffering and afflictions, yet God’s children will be preserved as we pray and the Spirit prays for us and the Father answers those prayers. *All true prayer is gospel-driven prayer!*

- I. The Power of the Prayers of our Weakness
- II. The Power of the Prayers Prayed by the Spirit
- III. The Power of the Prayers Heard by the Father