



Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman
Service of Worship of the Triune God
Sunday, September 4, 2022 10:30-11:45
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TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN
A Church for Norman

Purpose: Glorifying God and Enjoying Him Forever

Mission: To gather and perfect the saints of God
in and beyond Norman, Oklahoma

Pre-Service Meditation

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

I rejoice in my redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
And I will trust in him, no other; my soul is satisfied in him alone

--Keith & Kristin Getty, *My Worth Is Not in What I Own*.

The gospel is about enemies—that is, us—who have been overcome through
powerful, pursuing love until we laid down our weapons. We are, in turn,
to look for opportunities to overcome our enemies using similar strategies.
When possible, we engage in guerilla warfare that takes enemies by surprise,
as we were taken by surprise by God's tender mercies.

--Ed Welch, *CCEF Blog*

I am not what I ought to be, I am not what I want to be, I am not what I hope
to be in another world; but still I am not what I once used to be, and by the
grace of God I am what I am. Although my memory's fading, I remember
two things very clearly: I am a great sinner and Christ is a great Savior.

-- John Newton, *Amazing Grace* (1725-1807)

But whatever dismal appearance of things there may be in the world,
we need not fear the ruin of the church by the most bloody oppositions.
Former experiences will give security against future events. It is built
on the rock, and those gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

-John Owen, *The Glory of Christ* (1616-1683)

We willingly yield ourselves to the sword. So what wars would we not be
both fit and eager to participate in (even against unequal forces), if in our
religion it were not counted better to be slain than to slay?

--Tertullian, *Apologies*, (160-220).

You don't love in your enemies what they are, but what you would have
them become by your prayers.

--Augustine, *Sermon* (354-430).

For as for us, we reckon that no evil can be done us, unless we be convicted as
evil-doers or be proved to be wicked men; and you, you can kill, but not hurt us.

--Justin Martyr, *First Apology* (100-165).

If faithful believers and ministers have to suffer for the sake of this old religion at
the hands of the pope and his servants, they should remember that this was the
circumstance of God's people, including the prophets and our Lord Jesus Christ
himself, from the beginning.

--Heinrich Bullinger, *The Old Faith*, (1504-1575).

Welcome and Statement of Purpose

Silent prayer of preparation. You might utilize prayers and quotes from page two.

We Come to Worship at His Bidding & Confess Our Sin

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**Romans 11:33, 35; Revelation 7:12**

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

To Him be the glory forever.

People: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever

Prayer of Adoration, Invocation, and the Lord's Prayer

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**Holy! Holy! Holy!****#100****Reading the Word****God Is my Fortress****Psalm 59**

A Miktam of David, when Saul sent men to watch his house in order to kill him.

1 Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; protect me from those who rise up against me;

2 deliver me from those who work evil, and save me from bloodthirsty men.

3 For behold, they lie in wait for my life; fierce men stir up strife against me.

4 For no transgression or sin of mine, O LORD, for no fault of mine,

5 they run and make ready. Awake, come to meet me, and see!

6 You, LORD God of hosts, are God of Israel. Rouse yourself to punish all the nations; spare none of those who treacherously plot evil. Selah

7 Each evening they come back, howling like dogs and prowling about the city.

8 There they are, bellowing with their mouths with swords in their lips— for Who, they think, will hear us?

9 But you, O LORD, laugh at them; you hold all the nations in derision.

10 My Strength, I will watch for you, for you, O God, are my fortress.

16 But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress.

17 O my Strength, I will sing praises to you, for you, O God, are my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin**Words of Assurance****Isaiah 1:18**

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

We Receive and Respond to the Gospel with Singing, Speaking Truth, Giving, and Prayers**Hymn****Jesus Paid It All****#308****Confession of Faith****Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 1 (1563)**

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own,¹ but belong—body and soul, in life and in death²—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.³

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,⁴ and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.⁵ He also watches over me in such a way⁶ that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven;⁷ in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.⁸

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life⁹ and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.¹⁰

¹ 1 Cor. 6:19-20 ² Rom. 14:7-9 ³ 1 Cor. 3:23; Titus 2:14 ⁴ 1 Pet. 1:18-19; 1 John 1:7-9; 2:2 ⁵ John 8:34-36; Heb. 2:14-15; 1 John 3:1-11 ⁶ John 6:39-40; 10:27-30; 2 Thess. 3:3; 1 Pet. 1:5 ⁷ Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 21:16-18 ⁸ Rom. 8:28 ⁹ Rom. 8:15-16; 2 Cor. 1:21-22; 5:5; Eph. 1:13-14 ¹⁰ Rom. 8:1-17

Q. What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

A. Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are;¹ second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery;² third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.³

¹ Rom. 3:9-10; 1 John 1:10 ² John 17:3; Acts 4:12; 10:43 ³ Matt. 5:16; Rom. 6:13; Eph. 5:8-10; 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Pet. 2:9-10

Collection of Tithes and Offerings 2 Corinthians 8:9
Offertory Prayer Deacon Ross McClish
Offering Hymn Gloria Patri #735

We Are Blessed to Hear, Receive, and Rest upon God's Word

Sermon: Romans 12:14-21
What Christians Do
Rev. Justin Westmoreland

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

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect...

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.

20 To the contrary, if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Proposition: Gospel Hope Fuels Christian Service to his/her neighbor.

- I. **Gospel Hope Inspires Desire to Be a Servant**
- II. **Gospel Hope Incites Consistency in Prayer**
- III. **Gospel Hope Invites Us to See and Meet Others' Needs**

Responding to God's Word Preached

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper 1 Corinthians 11

Communion Hymn Amazing Grace #460

Closing Words and Announcements

Hymn of Commitment On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

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.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen!

Doxology #731

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

1. How does Paul's teaching on enemies help you think about facing a hostile world today?
How does it change your expectations about what you will experience in this life?
2. Why is beginning with God's mercies necessary for us to show honor to enemies?
3. Who are your enemies?
Who has treated you as an enemy? How do you respond?
4. How have you treated God as an enemy?
How has he treated you?
5. How does Paul's teaching in Romans echo the teachings of Jesus?

Avenues for Giving

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This morning: Ushers will pass offering plates for tithes and offerings.

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Gathering and Perfecting

Discipleship Ministries:

Sundays

9:45-10:15 a.m.

Adults: *Truth for Life: WCF*

MS/HS: *Gospel of Mark*

Kids: *Bible Truths*

Men's Bible Study - Rudy's, *Exodus 7*

Tues 6:30 a.m.

Women's Bible Study- Gospel Sanctification

Thurs 10:30 a.m.

Midweek fellowship Sept 5 BIG BREW

Mon 5:30 p.m.

Session Meeting:

YouTube: Trinity Presbyterian Church

. 5:30-7pm

Next Church Lunch

September 25



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