

building God's Church...blessing our community
THE LORD'S DAY
FEBRUARY 25, 2024

#### **REFLECTION & PREPARATION**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP.....FROM PSALM 67

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

#### \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### \*INVOCATION

 \*Song of Joyful Worship .....Let Us Love & Sing & Wonder

WORDS: JOHN NEWTON

Music: Laura Taylor

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame He has washed us with His blood (Repeat) - He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us, pitied us when enemies Called us by His grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes He has washed us with His blood (Repeat) - He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown He, Who washed us with His blood, (Repeat) - Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice join and point to mercy's store When through grace in Christ our trust is justice smiles and asks no more He, Who washed us with His blood, (Repeat) - Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (Repeat) - Thou art worthy Lamb of God

#### \*CONFESSION OF FAITH......NICENE CREED1

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy catholic<sup>2</sup> and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

READER: The Word of the Lord CONGREGATION: Thanks be to God

<sup>1</sup>The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325) and was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and the person of Christ. <sup>2</sup>The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

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WORDS: WILLIAM GADSBY MUSIC: KATY BOWSER & MATTHEW PERRYMAN JONES

Poor sinner, dejected with fear, unbosom thy mind to the Lamb; No wrath on His brow He does wear, nor will He poor mourners condemn; His arm of omnipotent grace is able and willing to save; A sweet and a permanent peace He'll freely and faithfully give.

Come just as thou art, with thy woe, fall down at the feet of the Lamb; He will not, He cannot say, Go, but surely will take out thy stain A fountain is opened for sin, and thousands its virtues have proved He'll take thee, and plunge thee therein, and wash thee from filth in His blood.

The soul that on Jesus relies, He'll never, no never deceive: He freely and faithfully gives more blessings than we can conceive: Yea, down to old age He will keep, nor will He forsake us at last; He knows and is known by His sheep; They're His, and He will hold them fast.

#### **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

O most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: who pardons all who truly repent and turn to You: we humbly confess our sins and implore Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure and fervent heart: neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justly, nor loved mercy, nor walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, according to Your loving-kindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out our iniquity. Create in us a clean heart. O God: And renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from Your presence; and take not Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; and uphold us with Your gracious Spirit.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

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"In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

#### \*HYMN OF ASSURANCE......I LAY MY SINS ON JESUS

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR MUSIC: TRADITIONAL GREEK MELODY

I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God; He bears them all, and frees us From the accursed load. I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains White in His blood most precious, Till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus - All fullness dwells in Him; He heals all my diseases, He doth my soul redeem. I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares; He from them all releases. He all my sorrows shares.

I long to be like Jesus - Meek, loving, lowly, mild; I long to be like Jesus - The Father's holy Child. I long to be with Jesus, Amid the heav'nly throng, To sing with saints His praises, To learn the angels' song.

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE WOODY WATFORD

EPHESIANS 4:1-6 SERMON..

<sup>1</sup> I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

## SERMON NOTES

### CAN'T WE ALL JUST GET ALONG?

EPHESIANS 4:4-6

Two Pitfalls of Unity:	
THE LOGIC OF OUR UNITY:	
Two Tasks for a Proper Tension:	

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE.....OH HOW GOOD IT IS

WORDS & MUSIC: KEITH GETTY, KRISTYN GETTY, ROSS HOLMES, AND STUART TOWNEND

Oh how good it is when the family of God Dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity. Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love Are the fruit of His presence here among us.

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord And with one heart we'll live out His word Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come For He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh how good it is on this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing of belonging.

Oh how good it is to embrace His command To prefer one another, forgive as He forgives. When we live as one, we all share in the love Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.

\*BENEDICTION

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# BULLETIN BOARD

#### **NEW MINISTRY TO HOMELESS AND HURTING MEN IN ORANGEBURG**

A new residential addiction recovery program for men called RISE Ministry is opening soon, and we have an opportunity to help. Located in an old dormitory on the Southern Methodist College campus, RISE will serve men of Orangeburg County who are trapped in poverty, homelessness, or addiction. Their mission is to see men be Restored, Ignited, Supported, and Empowered to flourish by the grace of Jesus Christ. Items are needed to stock the facility's medicine cabinet, and you can sign up to help at the table just outside the sanctuary. Please return items to the church by **Sunday, March 3**. RISE is also working on an Amazon wishlist to assist in getting Bibles, bedding, clothing, and kitchen/bathroom/laundry items. If you would like to make a donation, or if you have any questions, please contact Candace Tussey. Learn more at their website: riseministrysc.org

#### HELP US MINISTER TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT USC

We have a great opportunity this spring to partner with one of our ministry partners, Scott Andes, at the University of South Carolina. Each Tuesday evening Scott's ministry, Reformed University Fellowship-International, hosts a Global Cafe for 30-35 students. These students come for supper, and many stay for Bible study afterwards. Our church will be providing supper for this event on the last Tuesday of each month during the Spring semester. Would you like to help provide one of these meals on Mar 26 and Apr 30? If you're interested in helping, please let Pastor John Mark know soon!

#### FAITH PROMISE PLEDGES DUE SUNDAY, MARCH 24

We were blessed to hear stories of how God is building His kingdom around the world during our Missions Emphasis Sunday last weekend. How will you commit to financially assisting our missionaries this year? Please fill out a Faith Promise pledge card and submit it in the box on the information counter by Sunday, March 24.

#### REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Marty Huddleston - MNA Disaster Response logistics specialist

Our Troops: pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world

Church of the week: Church Creek Presbyterian, Charleston; Nick Batzig, pastor

#### **TRINITY FAMILY**

Sam Reid: recovering from eye surgery

Wayne Walling: completed outpatient infusion therapy, pray for him to stay infection-free

Joe Junquet: continued healing of his nerves

**Melonie Anderson:** recovering from knee surgery, pray for balance issues when she walks **Claudia Wilkes:** for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis, balance issues

Lawton Porter: ongoing therapy

Linda Wells: neuropathy, improved stamina Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

### THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

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	CAL	ENDAR		
Sun 2/25	8:45am 9:30am 10:30am	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP		
Tues 2/27	6:30ам	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY		
WED 2/28	5:30рм	Prayer		
SAT 3/2	8:00am	MEN'S BREAKFAST @ THE SALLEY'S		
Sun 3/3	8:45am 9:30am 10:30am	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP		

TRINITY READING TOGETHER							
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
2 Kings 15	2 KINGS 16	2 KINGS 17	2 Kings 18	2 Kings 19	2 Kings 20		

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