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THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 21, 2023

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP**FROM PSALMS 107, 103, 139

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever.
Let the redeemed of the LORD say so.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits:

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your diseases, and redeems your life from the pit; He crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

Who is wise? Let him give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE**HOW GREAT YOU ARE

WORDS & MUSIC: TIM CHESTER AND BOB KAUFMAN

Our God is great, The Father of Creation His splendor fills the earth,
The Lightning crash The thunder sings His praises,
The galaxies can't help but shout His worth.

**My soul must sing to You an offering, How great You are
My soul must sing, oh, let the heavens ring How great you are, Oh, how great You are.**

The Word made flesh, God's promise to the fallen He came with pow'r to save,
The light of life was crushed for our rebellion He died our death and rose up from the grave.

Our King will come, With trumpet blasts resounding To claim His blood-washed bride
He'll rend the skies, descending in His glory And in an instant faith will turn to sight.

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM¹, Q. 21

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture;² it is also a wholehearted trust,³ which the Holy Spirit creates in me⁴ by the gospel, ⁵ that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, ⁶ forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation.⁷ These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.⁸

SCRIPTURE READINGLEVITICUS 12

SONG OF ADORATION.....COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT PAPA, MATT BOSWELL, & MICHAEL BLEECKER

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King.
He, the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come!
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery: He the perfect Son of Man,
in His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man,
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery: Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory!
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold,
Bringing many sons to glory: grace unmeasured, love untold!

Come behold the wondrous mystery: slain by death, the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain Him; Praise the Lord! He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope.
Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when He comes.

¹The Heidelberg Catechism originated in Germany in 1562 under the authority of Elector Frederick III, who ruled the most important German province, the Palatinate, from his castle in Heidelberg. He commissioned the preparation of a new catechism for guiding ministers and teachers in instructing people in the Christian faith.² John 17:3, 17; Heb. 11:1-3; James 2:19³ Rom. 4:18-21; 5:1; 10:10; Heb. 4:14-16⁴ Matt. 16:15-17; John 3:5; Acts 16:14⁵ Rom. 1:16; 10:17; 1 Cor. 1:21⁶ Gal. 2:20⁷ Rom. 1:17; Heb. 10:10⁸ Rom. 3:21-26; Gal. 2:16; Eph. 2:8-10

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**O most great, just and gracious God.
You condemn the ungodly,
but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ.
We confess that we have all sinned
and fallen short of the glory of God.
We have dishonored and neglected those around us.
We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors.
We have run into temptations,
and the sin, which we should have hated.
We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous
against your commands, promises,
threats, mercies and judgments.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.
Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ
cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDONROMANS 5:8-9

“...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.”

*HYMN OF ASSURANCEA DEBTOR TO MERCY ALONE

WORDS: AUGUSTUS TOPLADY MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT

A debtor to mercy alone, Of covenant mercy I sing;
Nor fear, with Thy righteousness on, My person and offering to bring.
The terrors of law and of God With me can have nothing to do;
My Savior's obedience and blood Hide all my transgressions from view

The work which His goodness began, The arm of His strength will complete;
His promise is yea and amen, And never was forfeited yet.
Things future, nor things that are now, Not all things below nor above
Can make Him His purpose forego, Or sever my soul from His love.

My name from the palms of His hands Eternity will not erase;
Impressed on His heart it remains In marks of indelible grace.
Yes, I to the end shall endure, As sure as the earnest is given
More happy, but not more secure, The glorified spirits in heaven.

SONG OF PREPARATION.....SHOW US CHRIST

WORDS: DOUG PLANK MUSIC: DOUG PLANK & BOB KAUFLEN

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

**Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord**

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul, come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE WOODY WATFORD

SERMON.....GENESIS 29:1-30

¹ Then Jacob went on his journey and came to the land of the people of the east. ² As he looked, he saw a well in the field, and behold, three flocks of sheep lying beside it, for out of that well the flocks were watered. The stone on the well's mouth was large, ³ and when all the flocks were gathered there, the shepherds would roll the stone from the mouth of the well and water the sheep, and put the stone back in its place over the mouth of the well.

⁴ Jacob said to them, "My brothers, where do you come from?" They said, "We are from Haran." ⁵ He said to them, "Do you know Laban the son of Nahor?" They said, "We know him." ⁶ He said to them, "Is it well with him?" They said, "It is well; and see, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep!" ⁷ He said, "Behold, it is still high day; it is not time for the livestock to be gathered together. Water the sheep and go, pasture them." ⁸ But they said, "We cannot until all the flocks are gathered together and the stone is rolled from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep."

⁹ While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep, for she was a shepherdess. ¹⁰ Now as soon as Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, Jacob came near and rolled the stone from the well's mouth and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. ¹¹ Then Jacob kissed Rachel and wept aloud. ¹² And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's kinsman, and that he was Rebekah's son, and she ran and told her father.

¹³ As soon as Laban heard the news about Jacob, his sister's son, he ran to meet him and embraced him and kissed him and brought him to his house. Jacob told Laban all these things, ¹⁴ and Laban said to him, "Surely you are my bone and my flesh!" And he stayed with him a month.

¹⁵ Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" ¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters. The name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful in form and appearance. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel. And he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." ¹⁹ Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. ²¹ Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." ²² So Laban gathered together all the people of the place and made a feast. ²³ But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob, and he went in to her. ²⁴ (Laban gave his female servant Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her servant.) ²⁵ And in the morning, behold, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" ²⁶ Laban said, "It is not so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷ Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." ²⁸ Jacob did so, and completed her week. Then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel to be his wife. ²⁹ (Laban gave his female servant Bilhah to his daughter Rachel to be her servant.) ³⁰ So Jacob went in to Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah, and served Laban for another seven years.

SERMON NOTES

LIKE GRANDFATHER & FATHER, LIKE SON

GENESIS 29:1-30

*HYMN OF RESPONSEMAY THE MIND OF CHRIST, MY SAVIOR

May the mind of Christ my Savior Live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph Only thro' His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father Rule my life in ev'rything,
That I may be calm to comfort Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing - This is victory.

May I run the race before me Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus As I onward go.

May His beauty rest upon me As I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, Seeing only Him.

*BENEDICTION

BULLETIN BOARD

FAITH PROMISE COMMITMENT DEADLINE EXTENDED

Please turn in Faith Promise pledges by tomorrow, Monday, May 22. Your commitment to missions giving through Faith Promise helps the Missions Committee set our church's giving to the missionaries and ministries we support. Commitment cards are available on the information counter.

DAZZ NEEDS DIAPERS AND WIPES!

DAZZ, Orangeburg's crisis pregnancy center, is in desperate need of size 3, 4 and 5 diapers and wipes. If you are able to donate any, you can drop them off at the church or at the DAZZ office, 923 Chestnut Street.

FREE COPIES OF WOMEN OF THE WORD AVAILABLE

Copies of the book Women of the Word by Jen Wilkin are available on the information counter at church. Pick up a copy for yourself or other women who would benefit from this encouraging guide to studying the Bible and growing more knowledgeable about scripture.

GOSPEL SHAPED OUTREACH IS SUNDAY SCHOOL FOCUS

Join us at 9:30 am Sundays as we focus on Gospel Shaped Outreach. Each lesson includes a brief video, followed by discussion. Handbooks will be available to supplement and reinforce topics covered in class. We meet in the room next to the kitchen.

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Keith & Ruth Powlison - Serving on MTW's Hinterland team in Cusco, Peru.
Our Troops: pray for Hunter Warren who is stationed at Eglin Air Force Base in FL and all of our troops and their chaplains around the world
Church of the week: Christ Church Presbyterian, Mount Pleasant; Jon Payne, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

The Folk Family: in the loss of Kerry's mother, Mrs. Betty Lamigo
Joe Junquet: continued healing of his nerves
Melonie Anderson: recovering from surgery after badly broken wrist
Theresa Hickson: clear diagnosis of cause for ongoing respiratory issues
Claudia Wilkes: for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis
Lawton Porter: ongoing therapy
Linda Wells: neuropathy, improved stamina
Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

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CALENDAR		
SUN 5/21	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUES 5/23	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SUN 5/28	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LEVITICUS 13	LEVITICUS 14	LUKE 1	LUKE 2	LUKE 3	LUKE 4

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