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THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP.....REVELATION 15:3-4**

Great and marvelous are Your deeds, LORD God Almighty.

Righteous and true are Your ways, King of the ages.

Who will not fear You, O LORD, and bring glory to Your name? For You alone are holy.

All nations will come and worship before You, for Your righteous acts have been revealed.

***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**

***HYMN OF PRAISE.....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 conqueror'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

***HYMN OF GRATEFUL PRAISEPRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY**

No. 8

SCRIPTURE READINGPSALM 79

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

TRINITY READING TOGETHER					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PSALM 80	COLOSSIANS 1	COLOSSIANS 2	COLOSSIANS 3	COLOSSIANS 4	PSALM 81-82

PSALM OF CONFESSIONPSALM 51

TEXT: SCOTTISH PSALTER MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER

1. God, be merciful to me; on Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within; cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

2. My transgressions I confess; grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against Thy grace, and provoked Thee to Thy face.
I confess Thy judgment just; speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

3. I am evil, born in sin; Thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art, teach Thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ
to our lonely and confused world.
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.
Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.
This we pray in Jesus' powerful name.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**PROVERBS 28:13

“Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,
but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.”

***PSALM OF ASSURANCE**PSALM 51

4. Broken, humbled to the dust; by Thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice, and in gladness hear Thy voice;
From my sins O hide Thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

5. Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from Thee, let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

6. Sinners then shall learn from me, and return, O God, to Thee
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing Thy love
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord

SHEPHERDING PRAYERRE ALAN ULMER

SERMONEPHESIANS 6:13-18A

¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.

SERMON NOTES

TAKE UP THE SHIELD OF FAITH

EPHESIANS 6:16

“EVERYBODY NEEDS A LITTLE FAITH!”

SHIELD

BIBLICAL FAITH

“FAITH” ACCORDING TO PAUL (EPH. 2:8; 3:12, 17)

OT USE OF “SHIELD” (GEN. 15:1; PROV. 30:5; PS. 3:3; 91:4)

BIBLICAL FAITH POINTS US AWAY FROM OURSELVES AND TO ANOTHER.

GOD’S WORD REVEALS THE **OBJECT** OF OUR FAITH.

DARTS:

ENEMY’S GOAL: UNDERMINE OUR CONFIDENCE

EXAMPLE: ACCUSATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE.....MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

TEXT AND MUSIC: GETTY AND TOWNEND

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 I will trust in Him, no other.
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.**

As summer flowers we fade and die,
fame, youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us, at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might,
or human wisdom’s fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ, at the cross

Two wonders here that I confess,
my worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed - my ransom paid, at the cross

*BENEDICTION

VISITATION SCHEDULE		
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18-24	WEEK OF NOV. 25-DEC. 1	WEEK OF DECEMBER 2-8
Woody & Lisa Watford	Bubba & Terri Morrell	Jeff & Kerry Folk

BULLETIN BOARD

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK & PRAISE NEXT SUNDAY EVENING

Prepare your favorite Thanksgiving dishes and bring them to church next Sunday, November 24 at 6 pm. Our potluck meal will be followed by a special time of praise and thanksgiving.

NOMINEES FOR ELDER AND DEACON

Please be in prayer for our Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 15, where we will hear a report on the 2025 church budget and vote on candidates for deacon and elder. Nominees for deacon are Evan Lambrecht, Frank Myers and Chris Rickenbaker, and nominees for elder are Mark Ford and Sam Lambrecht. The Congregational Meeting will be held immediately after the worship service on December 15.

SHOEBOXES DUE NEXT SUNDAY

Join in the fun of sharing God's love with children around the world by packing a shoebox through Operation Christmas Child. Pick up a shoebox and label on the table in the Narthex, and return it by next Sunday, November 17. Click here for a list of gift suggestions, or here if you would like to pack a shoebox online. A \$10 donation covers the cost of processing and shipping.

SAVE THE DATE: CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE ON DEC. 15

Mark your calendar for the evening of Sunday, December 15 for the Patrick family's annual Christmas Open House. More details coming soon!

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Ed & Vicki Germann - serving with International Students, Inc. in the Southeast and Great Lakes regions.

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

Church of the week: Christ Church Presbyterian, Mount Pleasant; Jon Payne, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Linda Wells: pray for strength to walk out of rehab and for meds to help with congestive heart failure

Joe Junquet: continued healing of his nerves

Melonie Anderson: knee replacement surgery on November 13th

Claudia Wilkes: for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis, balance issues

Lawton Porter: ongoing therapy

Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

STAFF

John Mark Patrick, Pastor
Dr. Sam Lambrecht, Families w/ Students
Susan Ulmer, Women's Ministry
Deborah Finkelstein, Pianist
Karen Ford, Administrative Assistant
Sandral Jackson, Bookkeeper

ELDERS

Michael Salley
Alan Ulmer
Woody Watford

DEACONS

Jeff Folk
Wayne Walling
Jeff Watford

DEACON ASSISTANTS

Larry Adicks,
Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

CALENDAR

SUN 11/17	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUE 11/19	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 11/20	5:30PM	PRAYER
SUN 11/24	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM 6:00PM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP THANKSGIVING POTLUCK & PRAISE

FINANCIAL UPDATE	YR TO DATE RECEIPTS	\$235,189	ACCOUNT BALANCES THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024	
	YTD GENERAL EXPENSES	\$328,287*	GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$149,670
	YTD FAITH PROMISE RECEIPTS	\$49,988	FAITH PROMISE ACCOUNT	\$21,094
	YTD FAITH PROMISE EXPENSES	\$58,920**	MORGAN STANLEY ACCOUNT	\$114,640

*Includes \$150,000 in unbudgeted expenses for building improvements paid for 50/50 out of current checking account and Morgan Stanley investment account. Budgeted YTD expense total = \$178,287

**Includes \$14,000 unbudgeted additional disbursements to missionaries as a result of favorable Faith Promise account balance.

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