

Lord's Day Worship

November 13, 2022

*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

PRAISE

* Call to Worship Based on Titus 2:13-14

* Opening Hymn *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

RENEWAL

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy God, we come before you as those who cannot endure your justice. If you were to keep a record of our sins, which of us could stand before you? Yet that has not kept us from keeping a record of the sins of others, and justifying ourselves by comparison. We have dug a pit for others with our mouths, with scant regard for the truth, while trying to conceal our own sins. Father, forgive us. By your Holy Spirit, teach us to trust in Christ alone for our salvation, in whose name we pray. (silent prayer)*

*Assurance of Pardon Ephesians 1:7-8a (ESV)
In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us.

Thanks be to God!

* Song *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus*

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

Offering *Doxology*

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Psalm 14:1-7

* Song *No One is Righteous*

New Testament Reading Romans 3:1-20

Sermon "Stop Trying to Be Good"

COMMITMENT

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed (2nd century A.D.)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Song *Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

* Benediction

* Dismissal

Church, where are you going?

We go forth to serve God's world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Glory to God!

Amazing Grace

Most of us like to think of ourselves as a good person, but God's Word says otherwise. The fact is that sin is a bigger disaster than we think it is, and God's grace is more amazing than we can grasp. Every part of our being is infected by sin. The thought that any fallen human being would be able to perform his or her way into acceptance with God is the most insane of all delusions. Yet we all tend to think that we are more righteous than we are, and we all tend to think we're really not so bad in God's eyes. That's because we think that God will sweep sin under the rug as we do.

This is why the reality check of Romans 3:20 is so important. Paul writes, "*For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight.*" If you prayed every moment of your life, you could not pray enough to meet God's standard. If you gave every dollar you've earned to the church, you would not give enough to deserve God's acceptance. If every word you ever spoke had the purest of motivations, you would not be able to talk your way into reconciliation with God. If you gave every moment of your life to Christian service, you could never serve enough to achieve God's favor. Sin is too big, and God's bar is too high. It is beyond the reach of every human being who ever lived . . . except One.

God, in love, sent his Son to redeem us. "*God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us* (Romans 5:8). There is only one way to acceptance with God – the righteousness of Christ given freely to sinners. His righteousness is given over to our account. Sinners are welcomed into the presence of a holy God based on the perfect obedience of another. Jesus Christ perfectly fulfilled God's requirement so that in our sin, weakness, and failure we would never have to fear God's anger. So, as children of grace, we obey out of love for God, not in a desperate attempt to do the impossible.

Pastor Phil Moran

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY - Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Taught by Pastor Phil, this 30 minute Bible study focusses on the Gospel of Luke.

WELCOME TO Theo DeWitt Conger, born to Abby and Preston on November 9. He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Congratulations to his proud grandparents, Barry and Leann Miller.

CPW SOUP AND SALAD LUNCHEON ON SAT. NOV. 19 , 11:30-2:00. Today is the deadline to sign up at the information table. Please bring a salad, bread, or dessert to share. Soup will be provided. The theme will be "Fruits of the Spirit: Thanksgiving and Blessings", hosted by the Piece & Comfort quilting group. Sarah Kortyna will share how churches in Mexico provide comfort to their congregations and communities. Questions? Contact Kattie Payne: (kattiempayne@gmail.com).

PLAN NOW FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM to be held at the Courtyard by Marriot on December 11 at 5:00pm.

The program will include a play put on by our Children's Ministry. If you would like to participate in the play, please contact Jeanie Hoover or Ellen Combs.

CAPITOL TOUR - Dec.12, 11:00 AM - This event is sponsored by the Men's Fellowship but open to men and women. Senator Chuck Winder will be host and guide. Meet at the Ministry Center at 10:15 AM to carpool, or at the Capitol Rotunda at 10:45.

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY -We are in need of additional help each Sunday morning transporting our equipment trailer and would like to build a team of four or five individuals who could help one Sunday each month. If you have a truck or other tow-worthy vehicle and would like to help, please contact Jeff Davis.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT WANTED – We are looking for a gifted person to work in the church office. This paid position is for 20 hours per week. If you would like more information, contact Paul Combs.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is November 27

PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING: Dave Abel, Casey Rayburn, Ron Kappel, Ruthy Rayburn, Charles Coon, Josh, Diania, Karen Yeager. Pray for Jim & Laura Shaffer for wisdom in dealing with family health issues.

EPC PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST: Pray this week for Alder Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Eatonville, Washington, and for their pastor William Catoe.



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything.” Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

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**“Stop Trying to Be Good”
Romans 3:1-20
Rev. Phil Moran**

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