

Sunday, January 31, 2010

Reflections

“It is an honoring and glorifying of God by gratefully offering back to Him all the good gifts, and the knowledge of his greatness and graciousness, that he has given. It involves praising him for what he is, thanking him for what he has done.”

- JI Packer, Concise Theology

The man who, despite the teaching of Scripture, tries to pray without a Savior, insults the deity. - Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Sunday Worship Service Participants

January 31

Greeter - Linda Mason

Childcare Workers - Janet Surprenant and Bill Townsend

Scripture Reading - Allison Wakefield

February 7

Greeter - Bill Townsend

Childcare Workers - Matt Oquist and Bridget Reichl

Scripture Reading - Jaime Bean

February 14

Greeter - Denise Kingsley

Childcare Workers - Allison Wakefield and Teck Hia

Scripture Reading - Tiffany Brooks

Service of Praise

Prelude

We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 57:9-11

Leader: I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

People: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

***Hymn of Praise**

How Great Thou Art (verses 1, 3, 4)

Number 44 in Trinity Hymnal

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

You Are My All in All

See next page

**Congregation standing*

Call to Renewal

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, whose nature it is to be generous and compassionate,
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our 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. Amen.

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A Moment of Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 4:13-16

We know that we live in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

* + Hymn of Thanks

It Is Well With My Soul

Number 691 in Trinity Hymnal

**Congregation standing*

+Young children may be dismissed at this time.

Call to Commitment

Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading

Luke 4:21-30 (ESV)

²¹And [Jesus] began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself.' What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." ²⁴And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.

Prayer of Intercession

Sermon

Melchizedek :Who is He?

Genesis 14:17-24

¹⁷After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) ¹⁹And he blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth;
²⁰and blessed be God Most High,
who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. ²¹And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself." ²²But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have lifted my hand to the LORD, God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth, ²³that I would not take a thread or a sandal strap or anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.' ²⁴I will take nothing but what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me. Let Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre take their share."

***Hymn of Response**

O Church Arise

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**Congregation standing*

Sermon Outline

Summary of Genesis 14:1-16

Biblical Text

Genesis 14:17-24 Structure

Both Kings meet Abram (Ge 14:17-18)

King of Sodom mute, empty handed (v.17)

King of Salem's banquet (v.18)

Both Kings interaction with Abram (Ge 19-24)

King of Salem blessing, Abram tithes (v. 19-20)

King of Sodom demands, Abram's oath (v. 21-24)

Application

Thanksgiving

Col. 3:12-17

How do you approach Your Savior?

Conclusion

Service of Communion

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Guidelines for Reception of Communion

Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, it is important that you carefully consider the claims of the gospel and the grace that is offered through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to talk with an elder of the church and spend this time now in prayer and meditation on the scriptures in the bulletin.

Scripture Verses for Those Not Communing

Surely our griefs He Himself bore, and our sorrows He carried; yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was pierced through for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed. All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.

- Isaiah 53:4-6

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”

- John 3:16-18

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

- John 14:6

Knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Romans 6:6-8, 22-23

***Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Song of Benediction**

Gloria Patri

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Gloria Patri

Text: 2nd century, traditional

Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

Piano

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Ghost: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world with-out

end. A - - - men, a - - - men.

***Benediction**

Announcements

(Please be seated)

**Congregation standing*

Announcements*

Haiti Relief Offering: Today during the Lord's Supper we will be taking up an offering that will go to Mission to the World (MTW) Haiti relief efforts. If you would like to know more, go to www.mtw.org.

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Prayer	Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	4 p.m.	Alpha Marriage Course	Eng Home
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Small Group	Claggett Home
	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Small Group	Brooks Home

Budget Information:

Seven Months Data June thru December 2009

Regular Giving	\$39,544.10
<i>(excl. Mercy Fund, Building Fund and Memorials)</i>	
Fund Raising	\$6,680.00
Total Giving (Income)	\$46,224.10
Actual Expenses (excl. Mercy Fund)	\$50,879.32
Budget	\$57,766.00
Shortfall to Expense (Income - Expense)	(\$4,655.22)
Shortfall to Budget (Income - Budget)	(\$11,541.90)

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