

Sunday, February 14, 2010

Reflections

“Worship is the supremacy of God in the affections of His people.” - John Piper

True prayer is measured by weight, not by length. A single groan before God may have more fullness of prayer in it than a fine oration of great length. - C. H. Spurgeon

Sunday Worship Service Participants

February 14

Greeter - Denise Kingsley

Childcare Workers - Allison Wakefield and Teck Hia

Scripture Reading - Tiffany Brooks

February 21

Greeter - Janet Surprenant

Childcare Workers - Pat Newman and Karen Eng

Scripture Reading - Jonathan Claggett

February 28

Greeter - Allison Wakefield

Childcare Workers - Aaron Brooks and Paula Townsend

Scripture Reading - Matthew Demeusy

Service of Praise

Prelude

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

***Call to Worship**

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Leader: Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.

People: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

Leader: Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

People: Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

***Hymn of Praise**

O Worship the King (verses 1, 2, 5, 6)

Number 2 in Trinity Hymnal

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

Praise the Father, Praise the Son

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**Congregation standing*

Call to Renewal

Confession of Sin

O gracious and gentle God,
God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort:
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;
we acknowledge that we are too inclined
toward ambition and pride,
which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings
between others and us.
Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,
O long-suffering Father.
Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing
you have promised the peacemakers,
who shall be called the children of God.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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A Moment of Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 4:9-10

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

* +Hymn of Thanks

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

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**Congregation standing*

+Young children may be dismissed at this time.

Call to Commitment

Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

Doxology

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.

Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Piano

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all crea- tures here be -

low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

A - - - - - men.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:28-43 (ESV)

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, ³¹who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"— not knowing what he said. ³⁴As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" ³⁶And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸And behold, a man from the crowd cried out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹And behold, a spirit seizes him, and he suddenly cries out. It convulses him so that he foams at the mouth, and shatters him, and will hardly leave him. ⁴⁰And I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon threw him to the ground and convulsed him. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit and healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ⁴³And all were astonished at the majesty of God.

Prayer of Intercession

Sermon

Birth of Ishmael
Genesis 16 (ESV)

¹Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. ²And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the LORD has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. ³So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. ⁴And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. ⁵And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the LORD judge between you and me!" ⁶But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please." Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.

⁷The angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. ⁸And he said, "Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai." ⁹The angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress and submit to her." ¹⁰The angel of the LORD also said to her, "I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude." ¹¹And the angel of the LORD said to her,

"Behold, you are pregnant
and shall bear a son.

You shall call his name Ishmael,

because the LORD has listened to your affliction.

¹²He shall be a wild donkey of a man,

his hand against everyone

and everyone's hand against him,

and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen."

¹³So she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, "You are a God of seeing," for she said, "Truly here I have seen him who looks after me." ¹⁴Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; it lies between Kadesh and Bered.

¹⁵And Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. ¹⁶Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

Sermon Outline

Biblical Text

Sarai, Hagar, and Abram

God's Grace to Hagar

Application

Depravity of Man

God's Grace to Lost People

***Hymn of Response**

Be Still, My Soul (verses 1, 2, and 4)
Number 689 in Trinity Hymnal

***Confession of Faith**

The Lord's Prayer
Matthew 6:9-13 (KJV)

Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done in 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, for ever.
Amen.

***Song of Benediction**

Come, Thou Almighty King (verse 4)
Number 101 in Trinity Hymnal

To the great One in Three
Eternal praises be, hence evermore!
His sovereign majesty, may we in glory see
And to eternity love and adore!

***Benediction**

Announcements

(Please be seated)

**Congregation standing*

Announcements*

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:

Eight Months Data June 2009 through January 2010

Regular Giving	\$46,788.10
<i>(excl. Mercy Fund, Building Fund and Memorials)</i>	
Fund Raising	\$6,980.00
Total Giving (Income)	\$53,768.10
Actual Expenses (excl. Mercy Fund)	\$59,971.75
Budget	\$66,018.29
Shortfall to Expense (Income - Expense)	(\$6,203.65)
Shortfall to Budget (Income - Budget)	(\$12,250.19)

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