

Sunday, July 4, 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

"When God has something very great to accomplish for His church, it is His will that there should precede it, the extraordinary prayers of His people; as is manifest by Ezek. 36, 37, together with the context. And it is revealed that when God is about to accomplish great things for His Church, He will begin by remarkably pouring out the spirit of grace and supplication (Zach. 12:10). ...I should think the people of God in this land would be in the way of their duty to do three times as much fasting and prayer as they do." - Jonathan Edwards, from his Thoughts on Revival, Part 5

Sunday Worship Service Participants

July 4

Greeter - Janet Surprenant

Childcare Workers - Denise Kingsley, Steve Eng, Shelby Kingsley (alternate)

Scripture Reading - Laura Sterrett

July 11

Greeter - Denise Kingsley

Childcare Workers - Michael Sterrett, Linda Mason, Karen Eng (alternate)

Scripture Reading - Matthew Demeusy

July 18

Greeter - Linda Mason

Childcare Workers - Janet Surprenant, Bridget Reichl, Jaime Bean (alternate)

Scripture Reading - Jonathan Claggett

Service of Praise

Prelude

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

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 72:18-19

Leader: Praise be to the LORD God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvelous deeds.

People: Praise be to his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen and Amen.

***Hymn of Praise**

Worship Christ, the Risen King (verses 1-3, 5)

Number 286 in Trinity Hymnal

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

You Are My All in All

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**Congregation standing*

Call to Renewal

Confession of Sin

O Lord, great God, we confess that we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, we have rebelled against your wisdom, and we have rejected your fatherly guidance. Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy, in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.

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A Moment of Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:7-8

In [Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.

* + Hymn of Thanks

There is a Redeemer

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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

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading

Galatians 6:7-16 (ESV)

⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

¹¹See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. ¹⁴But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

Prayer of Intercession

Sermon

The Seeker Sensitive God

Luke 19:1-10

Geoffrey Quinn

¹He entered Jericho and was passing through. ²And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. ⁴So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. ⁷And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." ⁸And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." ⁹And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

***Hymn of Response**

All to Jesus I Surrender

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**Congregation standing*

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

***Song of Benediction**

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation (verse 4)
Number 342 in Trinity Hymnal

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one;
one in might and one in glory,
while unending ages run.

***Benediction**

Announcements

(Please be seated)

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The **summer book clubs** have begun! We are reading *The Prodigal God* by Tim Keller. Please see Tiffany if you would like her to order a copy of the book for you. The women are meeting at 7 p.m. on **Tuesdays** at Laura Sterrett's house (10 E. Hobart, Nashua). The men are meeting at 7 p.m. on **Thursdays** at Barnes and Noble. See Laura or Matt for more information.

There will be a **church luncheon** Sunday, July 11 after the service. Please sign up to bring something to share.

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday	10 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Tuesday	7 p.m.	Women's Book Club	Sterrett Home
Thursday	7 p.m.	Men's Book Club	Barnes & Noble

Budget Information:

One Months Data June 2010

Regular Giving	\$7,366.00
<i>(excl. Mercy Fund, Building Fund and Memorials)</i>	
Fund Raising	\$100.00
Total Giving (Income)	\$7,466.00
Actual Expenses (excl. Mercy Fund)	\$8,538.27
Budget	\$8,414.49
Shortfall to Expense (Income - Expense)	(\$1,072.27)
Shortfall to Budget (Income - Budget)	(\$948.49)

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