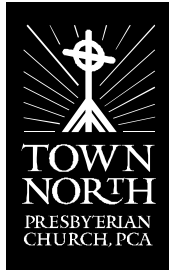


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making disciples of Jesus.*



The Week's Order of
WORSHIP
for
THE LORD'S DAY

March 22, 2020 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

“If sickness in a wicked world can help to make men think of God and their souls, then sickness confers benefits on mankind.”

-J. C. Ryle, Practical Religion, “Sickness,” Banner of Truth Trust, 1998, p. 363.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 145:1-13

PASTOR: I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.

PEOPLE: **Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.**

PASTOR: The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

PEOPLE: **The LORD is good to all,
and his mercy is over all that he has made.**

PASTOR: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!

PEOPLE: **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

***Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul
(Psalm 146)***

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises
of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes,
nor for help on man depend;
he shall die, to dust returning,
and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses
Israel's God to be his aid;
he is blessed whose hope of blessing
on the Lord his God is stayed.
Heav'n and earth the Lord created,
seas and all that they contain;
he delivers from oppression,
righteousness he will maintain.

Food he daily gives the hungry,
sets the mourning prisoner free,
raises those bowed down with anguish,
makes the sightless eyes to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,
and the stranger he befriends,
helps the fatherless and widow,
judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises
of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever,
through all ages he is king;
unto him, your God, O Zion,
joyful hallelujahs sing.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 56:3

PASTOR: When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Lord, our hearts are restless. We are gripped with worry and fear for ourselves, our loved ones, and our world. We confess that we have failed to trust in you as we ought.

Gracious and Merciful God, forgive us for our sins. Remind us again of the depth of your love for your people in the matchless work of your son, Jesus Christ. In his name we pray, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

*In these moments,
we individually come to God in prayer,
silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD

Romans 5:6-8

PASTOR: For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 188 (vv 1-4)

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
of thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee,
as thy beauty fills my soul,
for by thy transforming power,
thou hast made me whole.

Refrain

Jesus, I am resting, resting,
in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
of thy loving heart.

O how great thy lovingkindness,
vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous thy goodness
lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved,
know what wealth of grace is thine,
know thy certainty of promise
and have made it mine.

Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus,
I behold thee as thou art,
and thy love, so pure, so changeless,
satisfies my heart;
satisfies its deepest longings,
meets, supplies its ev'ry need,
compasseth me round with blessings:
thine is love indeed.

Ever lift thy face upon me
as I work and wait for thee;
resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus,
earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory,
sunshine of my Father's face,
keep me ever trusting, resting,
fill me with thy grace.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

PASTOR: What is your only comfort in life and death?

ALL: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE *Elders Wayne Bowman & David Schlimme,
Pastor Andrew Cies, and Pastor David Rogers*

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 642 (vv 1-2, 4-5)

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

SCRIPTURE READING

Elder David Schlimme

Psalm 73:23-26

- ²³ Nevertheless, I am continually with you;
you hold my right hand.
- ²⁴ You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me to glory.
- ²⁵ Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.
- ²⁶ My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

"Solid Ground in a Time of Upheaval"

RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 92 (vv 1-4)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great;
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever.

BENEDICTION

Romans 8:35, 37-39

PASTOR: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

POSTLUDE

Hana Do

Ensemble music: CCLI#89171 *Unless otherwise noted, all scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible*

SERMON NOTES

“Solid Ground in a Time of Upheaval”

Psalm 73:23-26

Next Week:

Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Worship Service—by Livestream	10:30 a.m.
	Officers' Prayer for the Congregation—by Zoom Conference	12:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom Conference	7:00 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events.

WORSHIP SERVICE

BY LIVESTREAM

ACCESS: 1. Go to the Town North web site: www.tnpc.org
2. Click on the button that says: **"Join TNPC Livestream Worship"**

{NO PUBLIC SERVICES DUE TO COMMUNITY DISEASE (CORONAVIRUS) CONTROL GUIDELINES}

LIFEChange OFFERING — Last week's total LIFEChange was \$596.00. Thanks be to God! If you did not bring your LIFEChange last Sunday, you may mail your check or make your donation via *PayPal* for this Sunday's offering, marked "LIFEChange".

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following ministry activities are CANCELLED for the weeks to come until further notice:

- Children's Sunday School
- Youth Sunday School
- Adult Sunday School & Inquirer's Class
- Youth Group (Sunday night)
- Communicants Class
- Covenant Clubhouse
- Choir and Ensemble practices
- Visitors Lunch & Kid's Lunch
- On-campus Bible Studies & Prayer Teams
- Evening Lord's Supper services

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER!

7:00 P.M. BY ZOOM CONFERENCE

If you would like the Zoom Conference number and PIN for Wednesday Night Prayer, please call the church office (972-235-1886) or contact Pastor Rogers: david.rogers@tnpc.org

Disciple Groups, Life-on-Life, and other small groups are meeting in homes at leader & group discretion.

If you are interested in joining the men's **Leader Development Class**, please contact Pastor Rogers at david.rogers@tnpc.org.

TNPC Officer Meetings and Ministry Leader Meetings will be held by Zoom Videoconference.

Ladies Spring Study
will resume at a later date.

TNPC
Women's Spring
Luncheon
Will be re-scheduled.

Fiscal Year 2020

Totals through March 15, 2020

(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)

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Designated Giving	\$ 99,234
Total Expenses	\$ 598,987
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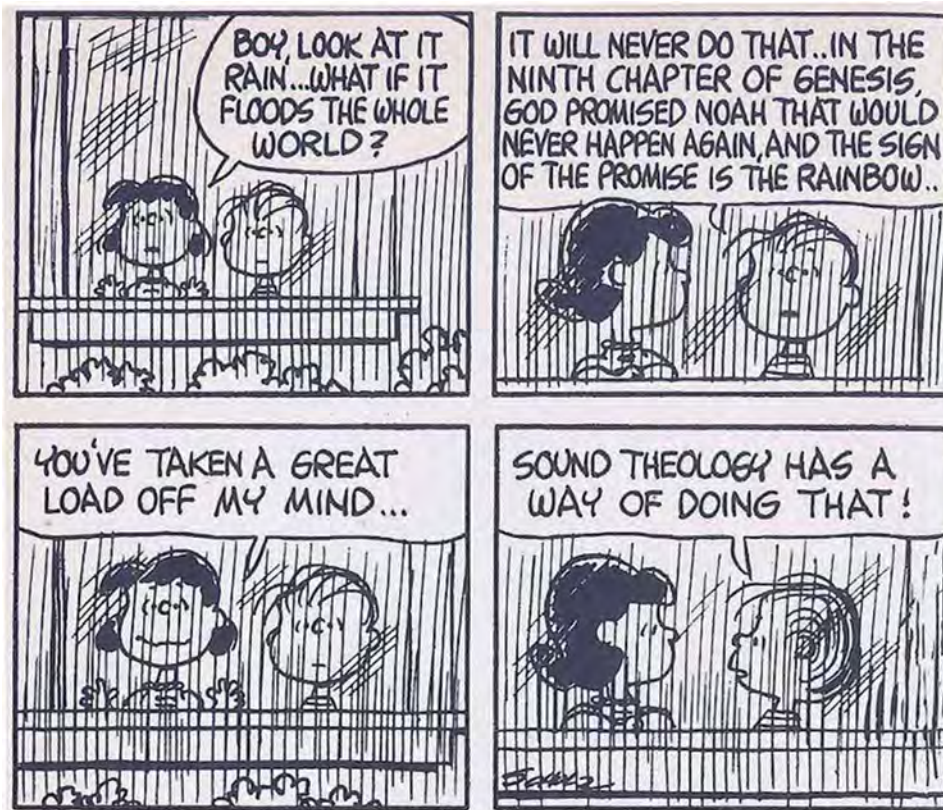
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