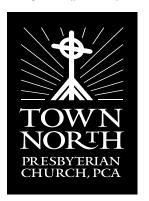
Town North is a community of disciples making disciples of Jesus.



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

August 16, 2020 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE Lynna Harbison

(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor David Rogers

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:1-9

PASTOR: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

PEOPLE: Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

PASTOR: Let the house of Aaron say.

"His steadfast love endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

PEOPLE: Out of my distress I called on the LORD;

the LORD answered me and set me free. The LORD is on my side; I will not fear.

What can man do to me?

The LORD is on my side as my helper;

(continued...)

I shall look in triumph on those who hate me. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 92 (vv 1-4)

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.
- 2 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.
- 3 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.
- 4 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.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Matthew 7:12; 1 Corinthians 13:4-6

PASTOR: So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

OF SIN

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

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

PASTOR:

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

* HYMN OF REFLECTION

Hymn 455 (vv 1-5)

And Can It Be

- And can it be that I should gain
 An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
 Died He for me, who caused His pain?
 For me, who Him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! how can it be
 That Thou, my God, should die for me?
- Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race; 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.

So free, so infinite His grace:

3 He left His Father's throne above,

Refrain

Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, should die for me!

- 2 'Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies!
 Who can explore His strange design?
 In vain the firstborn seraph tries
 To sound the depths of love divine!
 'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
 Let angel minds inquire no more.
- 4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
 Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray,
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
 My chains fell off, my heart was free;
 I rose, went forth and followed Thee.
- 5 No condemnation now I dread;
 Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
 Alive in Him, my living Head,
 And clothed in righteousness divine,
 Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
 And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 726 + extra verse

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all; Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love; Humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

Galatians 5:1-15

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

² Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. ³ I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. ⁴ You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. ⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

⁷You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? ⁸This persuasion is not from him who calls you. ⁹A little leaven leavens the whole lump. ¹⁰I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view, and the one who is troubling you will bear the penalty, whoever he is. ¹¹But if I, brothers, still preach circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been removed. ¹²I wish those who unsettle you would emasculate themselves!

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. Andrew Cies

"Freedom in Christ"

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin; how shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin? Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free; for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

Refrain

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea;
Wonderful grace, all-sufficient for me, for even me; broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame,
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise his name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus,
reaching a mighty host,
by it I have been pardoned,
saved to the uttermost,
Chains have been torn asunder,
giving me liberty;
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled, by its transforming power, making him God's dear child, purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity; and the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

* BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13:14

PASTOR: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

POSTLUDE Lynna Harbison

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

SERMON NOTES

"Freedom in Christ" Galatians 5:1-15

Text: Galatians 5:16-26			
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	Next Week:		
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	Preacher: Rev. David Rogers		

ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY Sunday Worship Service—Sanctuary & by Livestream WEDNESDAY

10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom Conference

7:00 p.m.

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

WORSHIP SERVICE

SANCTUARY (PUBLIC) AND 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"

{PUBLIC SERVICE OBSERVING COMMUNITY DISEASE (CORONAVIRUS) CONTROL GUIDELINES}

COMMUNION — Will be celebrated next Sunday morning, August 23rd. Please prepare your hearts and minds and relationships to approach the LORD's table.

LIFE Change OFFERING — This special offering for our missionaries is being collected this Sunday. You may mail your check or make your donation via PayPal, specified "LIFEChange".

THE FLOWERS TODAY — Are given by Matt & Bethany Willis in praise to God for four years of marriage. Hopefully year five will have less pandemic.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER 7:00 PM - BY ZOOM

Disciple Groups, Life-on-Life, Bible Studies,

and other small groups are meeting by Zoom conferencing or in homes at leader & group discretion.

TNPC has a new Paypal account!

Please re-fresh your devices to pick up our new account for sending electronic donations. Or you may access Paypal though our church website at www.tnpc.org under "GIVING".

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 & Ensemble practices
- Visitors Lunch & Kid's Lunch
- On-campus Bible Studies & Prayer Teams
- Evening Lord's Supper services

Fiscal Year 2021

Totals through August 9, 2020

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