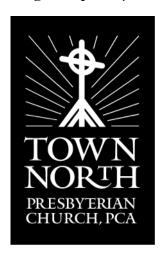
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The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

February 28, 2021 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

"He that is down needs fear no fall, He that is low, no pride."

-John Bunyan, *The Pilgrim's Progress, The Second Part*, Penguin Books, 1965, p. 290.

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 Andrew Cies

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Revelation 4, 5, 21

PASTOR: Holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,

who was and is and is to come!

PEOPLE: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,

to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

and honor and glory and blessing!

PASTOR: Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

PEOPLE: He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,

and death shall be no more,

neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore,

for the former things have passed away.

PASTOR: Behold, the Lord is making all things new.

ALL: Amen!

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 345 (vv 1-4)

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

- I Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode: on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
- 2 See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove: who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage?—grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
- Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near: thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.
- I, through grace, a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name: fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

PASTOR: People of God, what do we believe?

ALL: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God

begotten of his Father before all worlds.

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made;

who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man:

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried;

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together

is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Matthew 6:19-21

PASTOR:

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL:

O Great God, we confess that we have treasured the things of this world more than we treasure you. Forgive us for not seeking first your kingdom, and not seeking the life-giving righteousness of Christ. Teach that you yourself are our treasure, and give us faith to believe your promises. 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

Philippians 2:5-11

PASTOR

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn 80 (vv 1-4)

Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise thee for the bliss thy love bestows, for the pard'ning grace that saves me, and the peace that from it flows. Help, O God, my weak endeavor; this dull soul to rapture raise: thou must light the flame, or never can my love be warmed to praise.

Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee, wretched wand'rer far astray; found thee lost, and kindly brought thee from the paths of death away. Praise, with love's devoutest feeling, him who saw thy guilt-born fear, and, the light of hope revealing, bade the blood-stained cross appear.

Praise thy Savior God that drew thee to that cross, new life to give, held a blood-sealed pardon to thee, bade thee look to him and live.

Praise the grace whose threats alarmed thee, roused thee from thy fatal ease; praise the grace whose promise warmed thee, praise the grace that whispered peace.

Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling vainly would my lips express: low before thy footstool kneeling, deign thy suppliant's pray'r to bless. Let thy love, my soul's chief treasure, love's pure flame within me raise; and, since words can never measure, let my life show forth thy praise.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Ensemble & Congregation

Show Us Christ

Prepare our hearts, O God.
Help us to receive.
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief.
Plant your Word down deep in us; cause it to bear fruit.
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in your truth.

Chorus

Show us Christ, show us Christ. O God, reveal your glory, through the preaching of your Word; until every heart confesses, "Christ is Lord!"

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes. Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise. Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave; riches for the needy soul. Come speak to us today.

Chorus

Bridge (x 3)

Where else can we go, Lord? Where else can we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Chorus

Matthew 19:16-30

And behold, a man came up to him, saying, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" ¹⁷ And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." ¹⁸ He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, ¹⁹ Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ²⁰ The young man said to him, "All these I have kept. What do I still lack?" ²¹ Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." ²² When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

²³ And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, only with difficulty will a rich person enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴ Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁵ When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" ²⁶ But Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." ²⁷ Then Peter said in reply, "See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?" ²⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹ And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

A New World for those Who are Low

THE LORD'S SUPPER (Please hold the elements until everyone is served.

Please place used cups in baskets in the narthex after the service.)

Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed, be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling; naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

* BENEDICTION 1 Peter 1:3-5

PASTOR:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Amen.

POSTLUDE Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

A New World for those Who are Low Matthew 19:16-30

Next Week:		

Text: Matthew 20:1-16 Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

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ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Worship Service—Sanctuary & by Livestream Officers' Prayer for Cong.—Admin Rm 103 & Zoom	10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
	Youth Group—Outside TNPC	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies Morning Study—by Zoom	9:30 a.m.
	Ladies Evening Study—CE Rm 201 & by Zoom	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—by Zoom	6:30 p.m.

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

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2. Click on the box that says: "Livestream".

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FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP — The 2021 schedule for sanctuary flowers is in the narthex. Please sign up if you would like to purchase an arrangement (minimum cost is \$55). Contact Judy Dawson (judydawson46@gmail.com) for more information.

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Totals through February 28, 2021

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