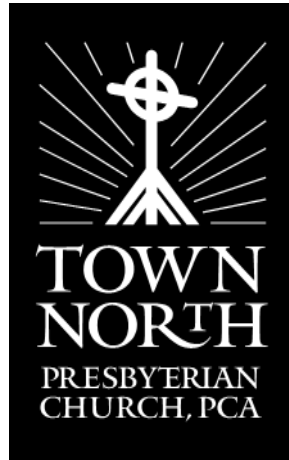


*Town North is a community of disciples
making disciples of Jesus.*



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

May 9, 2021 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

“God is more willing to pardon than to punish. Mercy does more multiply in Him than sin in us. Mercy is His nature.”

-Thomas Watson, All Things for God, Banner of Truth Trust, 2017 reprint, p. 15.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

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

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Graham Clark, Pastoral Intern

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

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

PEOPLE: **for his steadfast love endures forever!**

LEADER: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

PEOPLE: **This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

LEADER: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

PEOPLE: **Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 345 (vv 1-4)

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

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.

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.

Savior, if of Zion's city
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

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Isaiah 5:1-7

LEADER: Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.
And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?
And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briers and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.
For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice,
but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness,
but behold, an outcry!

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

John 15:4-5

LEADER: Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

The Power of the Cross

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then
nailed to a cross of wood.

Chorus

This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us;
took the blame, bore the wrath—
we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
crowning your bloodstained brow.

Chorus

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows his head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
“Finished!” the vict'ry cry.

Chorus

Oh to see my name written in the wounds,
for through your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,
won through your selfless love.

Final Chorus

This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.

MINISTRY MINUTE

Imad Aubrey, Missionary to Lebanon and the Middle East

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Rogers, Pastor

* 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 21:33-46

“Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴ When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵ And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ ³⁹ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰ When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹ They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”

⁴² Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes”?

⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴ And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*(Please hold the elements until everyone is served.
Please place used cups in baskets in the narthex after the service.)*

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 347 (vv 1-4, 6)

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

* BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

PASTOR: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

Warning and Encouragement for the Church

Matthew 21:33-46

Next Week:

Text: Matthew 22:1-14

Preacher: David Rogers, Pastor

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ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Worship Service— <i>Sanctuary & by Livestream</i>	10:30 a.m.
TUESDAY	Deacon's Meeting	6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer— <i>by Zoom</i>	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study— <i>by Zoom</i>	6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	Leader Development Class	8:00 a.m.

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

LIVESTREAM ACCESS

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VISITOR CHECK IN

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SUPPORTING OUR MERCY MINISTRY — If you would like to help our Deacons as they support those in financial hardship, please submit your donations with the designation "Deacons' Fund."

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FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP — Please sign up in the narthex to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship. Arrangements start at \$55. Contact Judy Dawson (214-384-9729) if you have any questions.

TNPC VISITING MISSIONARIES — The Jones family (West Africa) will join us for worship on May 23. The McReynolds family will join us for worship on June 6.

Fiscal Year 2021

Totals through May 2, 2021

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

General Fund Income	\$ 1,049,699
Designated Giving	\$ 102,271
Total Expenses	\$ 770,017
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