

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



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

August 28, 2022 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

David Rogers, Pastor

(Please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 18:1-3, 50

LEADER: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

**PEOPLE: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

LEADER: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

**PEOPLE: Great salvation he brings to his king,
and shows steadfast love to his anointed,
to David and his offspring forever.**

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 92 (vv. 1-4)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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| 1 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. | 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. |
| 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. | 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. |

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Most holy and merciful Father, we come before you as humble sinners. We know that we cannot cleanse our sin or make ourselves right before you, but we confess that we so often try to do just that. We make promises to make up for what we have done wrong. We seek to win your favor through our devotion to you. Forgive us for believing that we can save ourselves. Grant us the grace to look to Christ alone as our wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. 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

Colossians 2:13-15

LEADER: And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 26

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

ALL: **Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.**

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

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| <p>1 I will glory in my Redeemer,
whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
and hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the Holy Judge:
the Lamb who is my righteousness,
the Lamb who is my righteousness.</p> <p>2 I will glory in my Redeemer.
My life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another,
I'm satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
his faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
my feet are firm, held by his grace,
my feet are firm held by his grace.</p> | <p>3 I will glory in my Redeemer,
who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with loving kindness,
his triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when he calls me it will be paradise,
his face forever to behold,
his face forever to behold.</p> <p>I will glory in my Redeemer,
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PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Rogers, Pastor

* LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: Our Father who is in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 95 (vv 1-4)

Though Troubles Assail Us

- 1 Though troubles assail us and dangers affright,
though friends should all fail us and foes all unite,
yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,
the promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."
- 2 The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed;
from them let us learn to trust God for our bread.
His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied
so long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."
- 3 When Satan assails us to stop up our path,
and courage all fails us, we triumph by faith.
He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried,
this heart-cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."
- 4 No strength of our own and no goodness we claim;
yet, since we have known of the Savior's great name,
in this our strong tower for safety we hide:
the Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."

* SCRIPTURE READING

David Hitt, Elder

1 Samuel 17:1-54

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. ² And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah, and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. ³ And the

Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. ⁴ And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵ He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. ⁶ And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. ⁷ The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him. ⁸ He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. ⁹ If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." ¹⁰ And the Philistine said, "I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together." ¹¹ When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

¹² Now David was the son of an Ephrathite of Bethlehem in Judah, named Jesse, who had eight sons. In the days of Saul the man was already old and advanced in years. ¹³ The three oldest sons of Jesse had followed Saul to the battle. And the names of his three sons who went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next to him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. ¹⁴ David was the youngest. The three eldest followed Saul, ¹⁵ but David went back and forth from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem. ¹⁶ For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening.

¹⁷ And Jesse said to David his son, "Take for your brothers an ephah of this parched grain, and these ten loaves, and carry them quickly to the camp to your brothers. ¹⁸ Also take these ten cheeses to the commander of their thousand. See if your brothers are well, and bring some token from them."

¹⁹ Now Saul and they and all the men of Israel were in the Valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. ²⁰ And David rose early in the morning and left the sheep with a keeper and took the provisions and went, as Jesse had commanded him. And he came to the encampment as the host was going out to the battle line, shouting the war cry. ²¹ And Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. ²² And David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage and ran to the ranks and went and greeted his brothers. ²³ As he talked with them, behold, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him.

²⁴ All the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him and were much afraid. ²⁵ And the men of Israel said, "Have you seen this man who has come up? Surely he has come up to defy Israel. And the king will enrich the man who kills him with great riches and will give him his daughter and make his father's house

free in Israel.”²⁶ And David said to the men who stood by him, “What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?”²⁷ And the people answered him in the same way, “So shall it be done to the man who kills him.”

²⁸ Now Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spoke to the men. And Eliab’s anger was kindled against David, and he said, “Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your presumption and the evil of your heart, for you have come down to see the battle.”²⁹ And David said, “What have I done now? Was it not but a word?”³⁰ And he turned away from him toward another, and spoke in the same way, and the people answered him again as before.

³¹ When the words that David spoke were heard, they repeated them before Saul, and he sent for him.³² And David said to Saul, “Let no man’s heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.”³³ And Saul said to David, “You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth.”³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep sheep for his father. And when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from the flock,³⁵ I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth. And if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him.³⁶ Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God.”³⁷ And David said, “The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!”

³⁸ Then Saul clothed David with his armor. He put a helmet of bronze on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail,³⁹ and David strapped his sword over his armor. And he tried in vain to go, for he had not tested them. Then David said to Saul, “I cannot go with these, for I have not tested them.” So David put them off.⁴⁰ Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd’s pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

⁴¹ And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him.⁴² And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance.⁴³ And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.⁴⁴ The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field.”

⁴⁵ Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of

the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, ⁴⁷and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand."

⁴⁸When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

⁵⁰So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David. ⁵¹Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. ⁵²And the men of Israel and Judah rose with a shout and pursued the Philistines as far as Gath and the gates of Ekron, so that the wounded Philistines fell on the way from Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron. ⁵³And the people of Israel came back from chasing the Philistines, and they plundered their camp. ⁵⁴And David took the head of the Philistine and brought it to Jerusalem, but he put his armor in his tent.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

David Rogers, Pastor

"The Battle is the Lord's"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Grape juice is in the purple cups in the center of the tray. Wine is in the clear cups around the outside of the tray. The matzo bread is gluten free.

Please hold the elements until everyone is served. Used cups may be placed in the baskets in the narthex after the service.

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Ensemble & Congregation

In Christ Alone

1 In Christ alone my hope is found;
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
here in the love of Christ I stand.

(Continued...)

2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
for ev'ry sin on him was laid—
here in the death of Christ I live.

3 There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am his and he is mine—
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death—
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home—
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

* BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

PASTOR: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

“The Battle is the Lord’s”

1 Samuel 17:1-54

Next Week:

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Mark McDowell, Executive Director, RTS Dallas

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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In Christ Alone

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ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Worship—Worship Center Officers' Prayer for the Congregation—Admin Rm 103 Communicant Parents' Meeting—Fellowship Hall	10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Prayer—Admin Rm 103	6:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	Church Office Closed—Extended Labor Day Holiday	6:30 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available online at www.tnpc.org/events

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COMMUNICANTS' CLASS — A parents' meeting will be held today immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

VISITOR LUNCH — Join us next Sunday, September 4, immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish serving 10-12 people. Desserts and drinks will be provided. Visitors are especially welcome!

RUF-INTERNATIONAL AT UTD — Labor Day Picnic Monday, September 5 from 5pm-7pm at Cottonwood Park! Help give students rides, bring food, and more as we welcome the nations. If you have questions, please email rufiunivoftxdallas@ruf.org. Registration is required:



LADIES BIBLE STUDY — Join us Tuesdays at 9:30am or 6:30pm, beginning September 6, as we spend the year studying the book of Isaiah. Child care is available for the morning sessions. Register in the Narthex or email: Bonlee_Rawley@hotmail.com. Books are available for \$12.



COVENANT CLUBHOUSE — Catechism training for children ages 4 through 6th grade will resume Sunday, September 11, 5pm-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please register here:

TNPC 50TH ANNIVERSARY — Worship and celebration of God's faithfulness, Saturday, November 5, 4pm-7pm. For more information and RSVP:



Fiscal Year 2023

Totals through August 21, 2022

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

General Fund Income	\$ 80,998
Designated Giving	\$ 30,664
Total Expenses	\$ 299,792
Net Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ (188,130)

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