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



April 23, 2023 10:30 A.M.

# REFLECTION

"We only know who Christ is when we understand what the Father has given us in him and what blessings he brings us. The starting point of this is being convicted by our poverty; nobody seeks a solution unless he believes that there is a problem."

-John Calvin, Commentary on John, Crossway, 1994, p. 93.

#### PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Graham Clark, Youth Director (Please sign, pass & return the black attendance pad at the end of the aisle)

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

John 4:23; Psalm 43:3-4

LEADER:	But the hour is coming, and is now here,		
	when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth,		
	for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.		
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PEOPLE: Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!
ALL: Then I will go to the altar of God,

to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

### \* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### \* 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.
- 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.

### CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

- 3 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.
- 4 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.

Jeremiah 17:13

Ensemble & Congregation

LEADER: O LORD, the hope of Israel, all who forsake you shall be put to shame; those who turn away from you shall be written in the earth, for they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living water.

#### SONG OF CONFESSION OF SIN

#### Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

- 1 Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.
- 2 Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; true belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.
- 3 Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him.

- 4 Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.
- 5 I will arise and go to Jesus!He will embrace me in his arms.In the arms of my dear Savior,oh, there are ten thousand charms.

## 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

LEADER: "Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

#### \* SONG OF RESPONSE

#### Jesus, Lover of My Soul

- Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high; hide me, O my Savior hide, till life's storm is past, safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last.
- 2 Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee; leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me! All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring; cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.
- 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find; raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness; false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.
- 4 Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within; thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee; spring thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

# PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

David Rogers, Pastor

## \* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Ensemble & Congregation

# Speak, O Lord

- Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, to receive the food of your Holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness; that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.
- 2 Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

(Continued...)

Ensemble & Congregation

John 7:38

3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory.

# \* SCRIPTURE READING

David Rogers, Pastor

### John 4:1-26

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), <sup>3</sup> he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. <sup>4</sup> And he had to pass through Samaria. <sup>5</sup> So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup>A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup> (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."  $^{\rm 11}{\rm The}$ woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."
<sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

"Jesus: The Gift of God"

# CONFESSION OF FAITH

PASTOR: People of God, what do you believe?

ALL:	We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
	We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
	and born of the virgin Mary.
	He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
	was crucified, died, and was buried;
	he descended into hell
	The third day he rose again from the dead.
	He ascended into heaven
	and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
	From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
	We believe in the Holy Spirit,
	the holy catholic church,
	the communion of saints,
	the forgiveness of sins,
	the resurrection of the body,
	and the life everlasting.
	Amen.

Apostles' Creed

David Rogers, Pastor

# 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

# Hymn 457 (vv 1-3)

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

- Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.
- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandr'ing from the fold of God: he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3 O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it prone to leave the God I love: here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

# \* BENEDICTION

#### from John 4:14

PASTOR: Jesus said, "Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." Amen.

# POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

# SERMON NOTES

"Jesus: The Gift of God"

John 4:1-26

# *Next Week:* Text: *John 4:27-45* Preacher: David Rogers, Pastor

#### Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

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# ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Prayer for Worship—Worship Center	8:15 a.m.
	Sunday School for all ages—CE Bldg	9:00 a.m.
	Worship—Worship Center	10:30 a.m.
	Covenant Clubhouse—Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
	Youth Group—Admin Bldg	5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies' Morning Bible Study—CE Rm 201	9:30 a.m.
	Ladies' Evening Bible Study—CE Rm 201	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Prayer—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men's Bible Study—Admin Rm 103	7:00 p.m.

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

#### LIVESTREAM AUDIO ACCESS

1. Go to www.tnpc.org

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

**PRAYER BRUNCH** — Ladies, join us for a devotional, time in prayer, and refreshments on Saturday, May 6 at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall. RSVP by May 3 to Barb Cole: barbjcole1958@gmail.com.

- VISITOR'S LUNCH Make plans to join us on Sunday, May 7, immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite dish serving 10-12 people. Desserts and drinks will be provided. Visitors are especially welcome! If you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact DeAnne Schlimme (dschlimme64@gmail.com).
- **PREACHING AND TEACHING CONFERENCE** Seminary professors Dr. Greg Beale and Dr. Ben Gladd will teach methods of interpretation for the New Testament use of the Old Testament on Friday, April 28, 8:00am-9:00pm at The Hope Center in Plano. This conference will be helpful for anyone who preaches or teaches the Scripture.



**LOST AND FOUND** — Several items have been turned into the church office and placed in the lost and found. If you are missing any items, please check the box located in the Narthex.

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