

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 18, 2010 ❖ 10:30 AM

Today's Worship Theme

In the Scripture for today's sermon, Paul writes that we ought to pursue "mutual upbuilding", which is the edification of one another. Upbuilding is the theme that governs this morning's order of worship. Look for how each part of the worship service touches upon the theme of upbuilding, from the call to worship to the opening hymns that speak of God's faithfulness in building us up. This worship service is designed to lead you into a rich experience of praise, confession, renewal, prayer, receiving the Word, and responding in gratitude & commitment to following Christ. It is our prayer that God will truly build you up today.

Preparation for Worship

"Decide never to put a stumbling block or a hindrance in the way of a brother." Romans 14:13b

"How do you trip someone? There's this guy at my school who I NEED to trip, you know stick out the foot, the other guy goes down, you laugh at him, then you help him up. I've been attempting to trip this guy for some time now at various times to get him off his guard. It hasn't worked. Now he has deemed himself "Untrippable" I have to trip him, so I need someone to describe using extreme detail exactly how the technique of tripping someone works. I need to know stuff like do you stick your foot out should the other guy be about to step up down or what, and stuff like that."

A Highschooler's Blog

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouth, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. Ephesians 4:29

Prelude

"Joy in the Morning"

Claude Bolling

Tina Thiel, flute; Dave Leeman, pianist; Douglass McFarland, keyboard

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

***Call to Worship**

Isaiah 57:14-15, 18

Minister: Build up, build up, prepare the way! Remove every obstruction from my people's way.

People: For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:

Minister: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

People: I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will guide him and restore comfort to him and his mourners, creating the fruit of the lips. Peace, peace, to those far and near," says the LORD. "I will heal them."

***Hymns of Adoration, No. 33
No. 32**

**"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind" (Psalm 136) INNOCENTS
"Great is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS
(stanzas 1 & 3)**

***Prayer of Adoration**

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

***Affirmation of Faith**

Westminster Confession of Faith (Ch. 26:1-2)

Mr. Wichlan

All saints—who are united to Jesus Christ their head by his Spirit and by faith—have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory. And, being united to one another in love, they participate in each other's gifts and graces and are obligated to perform those public and private duties which lead to their mutual good, both inwardly and outwardly. It is the duty of saints to maintain a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God and in performing such spiritual services as help to edify one another. It is their duty also to come to the aid of one another in material things according to their various abilities and necessities. As God affords opportunity, this communion is to be extended to all those in every place who call on the name of the Lord Jesus.

*Hymn of Praise

"One Church, One Faith, One Lord"

Keith Getty

1. Your hand, O God, has guid - ed Your church from age to age, the
2. Your mer - cy nev - er fails us, or leaves Your work un - done; With
tale of love is writ - ten for us on ev - 'ry page. Our fa - thers knew Your good - ness, and
your right hand to help us, the vic - t'ry shall be won. And then with heav - en's an - gels Your
we, Your works re - cord, and each of these bear wit - ness, One Church, one faith, one Lord, name shall be a - dored, and they shall praise You, sing - ing One Church, one faith, one Lord. One
Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One Fa - ther, one Spir - it, one Christ. One
Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One heav - en - ly King, Lord of all.

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Rocky Freeman, *Ruling Elder*

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Even when we walk through dark valleys, we need not fear. Yet, we have strayed from your way. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace, we give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Romans 8:15-17

Elder: *Hear what strong words of promise the Lord gives to all those who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

My friends, I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

***Song of Assurance**

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Charles Wesley

A - rise_ my soul, a - rise_ shake off your guilt - y fears;_
My God_ is re - con - ciled; his pard - ning voice I hear;_
the bleed - ing sac - ri - fice_ on my be - half_ ap - pears._
he owns_ me for_ his child. I can no long - er fear;_
Be - fore_ the throne my sure - ty stands, be - fore_ the throne my sure - ty stands,
With con - fi - dence I now_ draw nigh, with con - fi - dence I now draw nigh
my name_ is writ - ten on_ his hands._ (Men) A - rise_ (Women) A - rise_ A - rise, A - rise
and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry._ A - rise, (Unison)a - rise_ my soul, a - rise!_ (Women) A - rise_ A - rise_ (Unison)a - rise
_ my soul_ a - rise, shake off_ your guilt - y fears and rise!_

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Freeman

(Concluding with The Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and glory forever. Amen.

The Mercy Offering

Mr. Ron Bowser, *Deacon*

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering

"Sing, Children, Sing"

Greg Nelson

Ana Clark, soloist;

with Kendall and Kyle Bowser, Brynn Gage, Morgan and Hayden Parmar
Father, Abba Father, we humbly come before you. Hear us, and draw near us. As children at rest in your arms we find peace and safety secure from all fear and alarm. Sing children, sing; let all his children sing. Jesus, loving Savior, constant companion; creator, yet our brother, we lift holy hands and applaud, for we who were paupers are now sons and daughters of God. Sing children, sing. Let your voices ring! Sing children sing a joyous refrain like the sound of a sweet summer rain! Spirit, Holy Spirit, promise from heaven, our comfort and our teacher, we live to abide in your love, finding our joy as we set our affections above. Sing children, sing! Let all his grateful children sing!

The Offering Consecration

Mr. McCracken

***Doxology**

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**Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

***Commissioning of the Incoming WIC Board**

Mr. McCracken

Cheryl Kendrick (President), Karin Elliott (VP), Janet Recker (Mercy), Emily Boroden (Activities), and Valerie McCormack (Bible Studies). We also wish to express our thanks to the outgoing WIC Board: Leann Gage, Karin Elliott, Janet Recker, Gerry Monroe and Sarah Mollenkopf.

The Passing of the Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Service of Friendship**

Mr. McCracken

Children between the ages of 4 through 1st grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel, Room 101.

Please locate the black Friendship Pad at the left end of your row, fill it out and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the row, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Romans 14:13-23
ESV Pew Bible, pg. 948

The Morning Sermon

"Gospel Upbuilding"
From the series: "Romans: The Church Under Grace"

***Hymn of Response, No. 597**

"Though I May Speak With Bravest Fire"

GIFT OF LOVE

***The Charge and Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:2 & 7

People: With God's help we will.

Minister: May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:5-6

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

***Postlude**

Douglass McFarland, organist

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