



CHRIST THE KING

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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God intends to glorify himself and give you enjoyment in him by giving you three core truths by which to arrange your life and ministry:

1) God has given you himself to surrender to and love. This means that to daily orient your life toward a moment-by-moment relationship with God is a great thing that brings glory to him. You needn't be anywhere else than where you are, because Jesus is there too.

2) God has given you a handful of persons that you are meant to love. This means you are meant for relationships with people. To enter this way of love for neighbor is to do a great thing that glorifies God. You needn't become somebody else or overlook those people who are right in front of you. The Lord is at work here doing great things.

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3) God will give you a place to inhabit, which means that you get to become attentive to what is there where you are. This means that to dwell knowledgeably and hospitably in and toward the place God gives you is to glorify him. God will give you a few things that he intends for you to do in your inhabited place and with those people. To do what God gives you to do is to strengthen the common good and to glorify him.

Zack Eswine, Sensing Jesus

Lord's Day Worship

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 85:10-13, 136:1

Pastor Todd Gwennap

Leader: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

People: Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Leader: Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

People: Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

*SONG

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
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*PRAYER OF ADORATION (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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Christians, what posture does the Gospel shape in our hearts?

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

GOD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

(Martin Bucer, Strasbourg, 1539)

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to you that we were conceived in unrighteousness, and are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe your Word nor follow your holy commandments. We implore you, remember your goodness and for your name's sake be gracious to us and forgive us our wrongdoing, which indeed is great.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:1b-2

...if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

We pray for the sick:

- For the Keating family as they prepare for Karis' surgery in the coming months. We pray all would proceed well and that the surgery will be brief and successful.
- For Meg, the youngest daughter of Kent and Sandy Gordon, as doctors plan a course of treatment for her recently-diagnosed leukemia.
- For Sandy DeVries as she recovers from her long and challenging eye surgery.

We pray for our place:

- We pray for wisdom for governing officials as they seek to deal with a new surge in COVID-19 cases.

We pray for our church:

- That we will love one another well even amidst continuing challenges of the pandemic.

We pray for the Kingdom:

- For our sister churches in North Texas Presbytery, that they would proclaim the gospel faithfully.
- For Dean & Kyria Baldwin serving with MTW.

GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

*BIBLE READING

1 Timothy 1:1-11

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Pastor Todd Gwennap

“The Aim of Our Charge”
Letters for the Church

GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- *CTK welcomes all baptized believers who are communing members of gospel-believing churches to participate in the Supper.*
- *Ushers will dismiss you by rows to come forward and receive the elements.*
- *The bread and the cup are stacked together in cups. The outer ring of each tray contains gluten-free bread.*
- *If you are not partaking, you may either remain in your seat or come forward and pass by the elements, whichever makes you most comfortable.*
- *If you are unable to come forward, an Elder will serve you the elements at your seat.*
- *Once you have been served, please take the elements back to your seat. We will eat and drink together once everyone has been served.*

1

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast

2

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin would reduce me to utter despair
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive
And He that first made me still keeps me alive

3

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart
Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground
And weep for the praise of the mercy I found

4

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine
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GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

DOXOLOGY/DISMISSAL

Praise God from Who all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON NOTES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bridges Safehouse in Cedar Hill

Bridges Safehouse offers short term housing and supportive services to homeless women who are pregnant or have young children. During the months of December, January, and February we will be collecting laundry products for Bridges Safehouse.

Liquid laundry detergent, Laundry stain remover, Liquid fabric softener

Bring your donation to church or talk to Karla Pollock (972-979-8599) or Colton Brewer (469-328-8491)

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