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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, May 17, 2020, 10:00 AM

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Prelude

"Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Marsha Glover, Pianist ARR. CHRIS RICE

Welcome

Call to Worship

PSALM 131

A SONG OF ASCENTS. OF DAVID.

O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me. But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me.

O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Hymn of Praise

N^{o.} 310

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

1 Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, And triumph evermore.

Refrain:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Jesus, the Savior reigns, The God of truth and love; When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. [Refrain]

3 His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. [Refrain]

4 He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, And bow to his command and fall beneath his feet. [Refrain]

5 Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home. [Refrain]

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

N°. 476

"The Light of the World Is Jesus"

1 The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin; the Light of the world is Jesus; like sunshine at noonday his glory shone in, the Light of the world is Jesus.

Refrain: Come to the light, 'tis shining for thee; sweetly the light has dawned upon me; once I was blind, but now I can see; the light of the world is Jesus.

2 No darkness have we who in Jesus abide, The Light of the world is Jesus; We walk in the Light when we follow our Guide, The Light of the world is Jesus. [Refrain]

3 Ye dwellers in darkness with sin-blinded eyes, The Light of the world is Jesus; Go, wash at his bidding, and light will arise, The Light of the world is Jesus. [Refrain]

4 No need of the sunlight in heaven, we're told, The Light of the world is Jesus; The Lamb is the Light in the City of Gold, The Light of the world is Jesus. [Refrain]

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 50:1-15

¹The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. ²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

³Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest. ⁴He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: ⁵"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" ⁶The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

⁷"Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God. ⁸Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me. ⁹I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds. ¹⁰For every beast of the forest is mine,

the cattle on a thousand hills. ¹¹I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.

¹²"If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine. ¹³Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats? ¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, ¹⁵and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

Pastoral Prayer

Gloria Patri *

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Solo Jackie Thompson

Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 1:15-18

¹⁵ For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,

Sermon

Dr. John K. Dawson

"The Way of the Prayer Warrior"

Hymn of Response

N^{o.} 642

"Be Thou My Vision"

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art-- thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r: raise thou me

heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5 High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Benediction

Sermon Notes

The Way of the Prayer Warrior Ephesians 1:15-18

- I. Prayer Warriors Are Encouragers (v. 15)
- II. Prayer Warriors Are Earnest (v. 16)
- III. Prayer Warriors Ask Especially for the Spirit (v. 17)
- IV. Prayer Warriors Ask For Enlightenment (v. 18a)
- V. Prayer Warriors Pray with Expectation (v. 18b)
- VI. Prayer Warriors Are Equipped by God (6:13,18)

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Worship Service: May 10

Live Views 49
Total Online Views 94
Children's Virtual Sunday School 13

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baby Shower: TODAY at 2:00 pm. Check your email for the zoom link. We will honor Holly and Tim Williams with a "Virtual Baby Shower". Questions??? Contact Davida Curtis at djacurtis@yahoo.com or cell (601) 906-0034.

Online Giving: Here's a reminder from our Treasurer regarding online giving: Your continued giving has been a blessing during these difficult times and I encourage you to continue using any method you prefer. For online giving, simply go to the website below. It's a website that the Presbyterian Church in America's Foundation has set up for us: https://secure.egsnetwork.com/donate/CAA2067B89F8403

It is best if you choose ACH (electronic bank transfer) rather than using a credit card because BPC is not currently charged a fee for ACH. If you are not comfortable with the online giving then you can continue to mail your tithes to the church. If you have any questions or have any trouble please contact me via email: luther@brandonpres.com or by phone (601) 209-0231.

Children's Ministry: Nate and Susan Inman have a new email childrensministry@brandonpres.com.

IN PRAYER

- MTW Missionary of the Week: David & Robin White (Atlanta: Field Support)
- Ministry of the Week: Center for Violence Prevention
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Jackie Thompson and Chris Groebe
- Child(ren) of the Week: Ainslie, Laken and Hutton Curtis
- College Student of the Week: Troy Stokes
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.

Weddings and Babies:

- Holly and Tim Williams: expecting a baby girl, Georgia, July 5th.
- Laura and Wilson Whitten: expecting a baby boy July 15st.
- Lacey and Dominic Avioli: expecting a baby girl in August.
- Terry and Jackson Pullen: expecting a baby Sept 28th
- Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody: to be married in October 17th.
- John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter: to be married Nov 14th.
- **Daisy Inman:** urinary tract infection, please pray her blood count and hemoglobin count improve.
- Harris Bond (PCA Church Planter Monroe, LA): had two stents put in and is at home recovering after a heart attack.
- Ken Bramlett: had his pacemaker regulated and is doing fairly well.

- **Bob Booth:** neurological disease in left arm and hand, undergoing PT, seeing a new doctor, scheduled for MRI on May 1.
- Linda Harrison: rehabbing at home, eating normal meals.
- Gloria Tolar (Darrin Tolar's Mother): recovering from stroke, some improvement, working to get trach removed.
- **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well, blood pressure normalized, problems with rapid pulse rate, debilitating fatigue.
- Charles Watkins (Sharon Nicholson's brother): at Hospice Ministries.
- Lois Carman: severe back pain from scoliosis.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- Kelly Langford (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): cancer has spread to spine, continuing oral chemo, will see her Jackson oncologist later this month, will return to MD Anderson in May.
- Steven Bell (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer, doing well, just finished second round of chemo.
- Will Glover (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): MRI was clear, continues to battle nausea, vomiting and fatigue.
- Robin Marbury Morris (Jeanne Monsour's Niece): liver & colon cancer, continuing chemo biweekly.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer, doing good, next appointment scheduled for July
- Leah Herbert (Ainslie Curtis' teacher): stage 4 cervical cancer, single Mom of a 6th grader, check-up showed no treatment is needed right now, will return in 2 months for follow-up.
- **Jim Smith**: pancreatic cancer, endoscopy showed ulcers have healed and no evidence of infection. Praise God!
- Andrew Gerrard (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; last scan showed cancer has not spread, continuing treatment.
- Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer: Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor); Jerry Long, Batesville Pres (kidney cancer).
- Anna Taylor (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back.
- Andrew McCall (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia.
- Terry McGinty (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer
- Service members: Matthew Hellier (Japan), S.T. Heath, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)
- Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlett, Evelyn Culpepper, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Edsell and Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts