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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, August 9, 2020

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

Meditation

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's ransomed power, all my thoughts and words and doing, all my days and all my hours!

Prelude

"He Keeps Me Singing"

ARR. MARK HAYES

Jacquelyn Thornell, Organist

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 48:1-3, 12-14

Leader: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised

in the city of our God!

People: His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation,

is the joy of all the earth,

Leader: Mount Zion, in the far north,

the city of the great King.

People: Within her citadels God

has made himself known as a fortress.

Leader: Walk about Zion, go around her,

number her towers,

People: Consider well her ramparts,

go through her citadels,

Leader: That you may tell the next generation

that this is God,

People: our God forever and ever.

He will guide us forever.

Hymn of Praise *

N^{o.} 598

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside. Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

N^{o.} 457

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

1 Come, thou Fount of every 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 find 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, wand'ring 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 thy 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.

Apostle's Creed *

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Footnotes: "descended into hell" = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment. "catholic church" = the church exists universally, not just in one culture or denomination.

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 the glory, forever. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 4:17-24 (NIV)

¹⁷ So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹ Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

²⁰ That, however, is not the way of life you learned ²¹ when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. ²² You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds; ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and

holiness.

Sermon

Dr. John K. Dawson

"Identity Crisis"

Hymn of Response *

N^{o.} 533

"I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice"

1 I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, and it told Thy love to me; But I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to Thee.

Refrain:

Draw me nearer, nearer blessed Lord, to the cross where Thou hast died; Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer blessed Lord, to Thy precious, bleeding side.

- **2** Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord, by the pow'r of grace divine; Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, And my will be lost in Thine. [Refrain]
- **3** Oh, the pure delight of a single hour that before Thy throne I spend, When I kneel in prayer, and with Thee, my God I commune as friend with friend! [Refrain]
- **4** There are depths of love that I cannot know till I cross the narrow sea; there are heights of joy that I may not reach till I rest in peace with Thee. [Refrain]

Offertory Prayer

Doxology *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

Benediction

* Congregation Standing

Sermon Notes

Ephesians 4:17-24 "Identity Criss"

1. Resist

- a. Seriousness (v. 17)
- b. Foolishness (v. 18)
- c. Sinfulness (v. 19)

II. Renew

- a. Revelation (vv. 20-21)
- b. Repent (v. 22)
- c. Renew (v. 23)
- d. Redress (v. 24)

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the lovely plant arrangement that you sent in memory of Daddy's [Edsell Parks] service to the church. He enjoyed serving on the Diaconate and the friendships made over his years of church membership. We want to thank the entire church family for their thoughts and prayers.

The Parks and Duhs Families

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bridal Shower: Please join us for a Virtual Shower honoring Sarah Carpenter on Saturday, August 29th at 10 am. Please bring your gift to the church by Wednesday, August 26th. The gifts will be taken to Sarah for her to open during the virtual shower. A Zoom invitation will be sent on Friday, August 28th. Sarah is registered at Bed, Bath, & Beyond, Target, and Anthropologie.

Bridal Shower: There will be a Bridal Shower for Anna Kate Carter, bride elect of John Stowers, on September 13th. More details to come.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (9:30/11:00): August 2	28/6
Live Views	24
Total Online Views	34
Children's Sunday School	18
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 9,673.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 7,194.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 193,165.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving	\$ 223,014.00 (-\$29,849)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Dotsy Peel.

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

IN PRAYER

- MTW Missionary of the Week: Clay and Darlene Quarterman (Ukraine)
- Ministry of the Week: Center for Violence Prevention
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Jackie Thompson and Chris Groebe
- Child(ren) of the Week: Avery Thompson
- College Student of the Week: Lauren Groebe
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.



Weddings and Babies:

- Laura and Wilson Whitten: Murry Jonathan, born July 16th.
- Terry and Jackson Pullen: expecting a baby boy Sept 28th
- Katlyn and Joel Huddleston: expecting a baby boy in October.
- Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody: to be married in October 17th.
- John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter: to be married Nov 14th.



- Ken Bramlett: still having dizzy spells.
- Laverne Parks: Edsell passed away July 22nd.
- Bob Booth: neurological disease, waiting on MRI results and appointment with 3 neurologists who will hopefully provide a diagnosis.
- **Jerry Moore:** severe pain in his ankle continues, having additional tests, has been at Baptist Hospital with low sodium but is improving.
- **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well, blood pressure normalized, problems with rapid pulse rate, debilitating fatigue.
- Lois Carman: severe back pain from scoliosis.



Loved ones battling cancer:

- Will Glover (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): cancer has reappeared on the brain stem, motor functions are declining, difficulty swallowing, double vision, unable to walk, started radiation treatment and steroids, the doctor's are looking into additional treatments as well.
- Sarah Parks Martin (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer.
- Anna Taylor (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back, back at work, continuing chemo.

- Andrew McCall (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia, reached 2 year anniversary of bone marrow transplant.
- Kelly Langford (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): has had some difficult
 weeks since March caused by oral chemo, full dose of chemo resumed,
 appointment at MD Anderson postponed until mid-August.
- Andrew Gerrard (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; responding well to a maintenance regime of oral chemo, waiting for appointment at Sloan Kettering in New York. Although he has a long way to go, God has blessed him with the ability to enjoy hobbies and other activities.
- **Jim Smith**: pancreatic cancer, June 25th scan was clear, Praise God!
- Charles Watkins (Sharon Nicholson's brother): at Hospice Ministries, cancer may have spread to his brain.
- Steven Bell (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer, doing well, just finished second round of chemo.
- 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.
- 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).
- Terry McGinty (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer.



• Service members: Isaac Jay (Army, Fort Polk; grandson of Elton & Sonia Jay); Jesse Thomas Dickey; 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, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts