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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, March 14, 2021

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

Meditation

"Blessed are the merciful for they shall receive mercy." MATTHEW 5:7

Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST

"Nun bitten wir" - Buxtehude
("We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit")

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 89:1-18

Leader: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

People: For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness."

Leader: You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

People: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

Leader: For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD? Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD, a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him?

People: O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD, with your faithfulness all around you?

Leader: You rule the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, you still them.

People: You crushed Rahab like a carcass; you scattered your enemies with your mighty arm.

Leader: The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them.

People: The north and the south, you have created them; Tabor and Hermon joyously praise your name.

Leader: You have a mighty arm; strong is your hand, high your right hand.

People: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Leader: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,

People: Who exult in your name all the day and in your righteousness are exalted.

Leader: For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.

People: For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 2

"O Worship the King" (v.1-4)

1 O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

3 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4 Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

Nº. 629

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what
peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all
because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev’ry weakness— take it to the Lord in prayer!
3 Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge— take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

Responsive Reading

PSALM 32

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven whose sin
is covered.

**People: Blessed is the person to whom God imputes no iniquity, and
in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: When I declared not my sin, my body wasted away through
my groaning all day long.

**People: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength
was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Leader: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity.

**People: I said “I will confess my transgressions to God;” then you
forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Leader: Therefore let all who are godly offer prayer to you: at a time
of distress, the rush of great waters shall not reach them.

**People: You are a hiding place for me, you preserve me from trouble;
you encompass me with deliverance.**

Leader: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I
will counsel you with my eye upon you.

**People: Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which
must be curbed, with bit and bridle, else it will not keep with you.**

Leader: Many are the pangs of the wicked; but steadfast love
surrounds the one who trusts in God.

**People: Be glad in God, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy,
all you upright in heart!**

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

LADIES ENSEMBLE

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death" (Getty)

Dismiss Children For Children's Church (3 & 4 year olds)

Reading of Holy Scripture

MATTHEW 18:21-25

²¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I
forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven
times?”²² Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-
seven times. ²³ “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who
wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ As he began the
settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold^[b] was
brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered
that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to
repay the debt .

Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

“The Unmerciful Servant”

Hymn of Response *

Nº. 465

“Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord”

1 Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and
our guilt, yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood
of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all my sin.

2 Sin and despair like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite
loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the
mighty cross. [Refrain]

3 Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide; whiter than snow you may be
today. [Refrain]

Offertory 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.*

Benediction

* Congregation Standing

Sermon Notes

Matthew 18:21-25

“The Unmerciful Servant”

I. The Amount of Forgiveness

II. The Basis of Forgiveness

III. The Caution of Forgiveness

A socially distanced **BABY SHOWER** for Alex Word Adams will be held Sunday, April 25 at 2 pm in the church fellowship hall. Alex and Michael are expecting Jack Lawler Adams in June and are registered on Amazon and Target. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Announcements

Children and Parents: Children (3 years old - 6th grade) and their parents are invited to the Inman's home (108 Rollingwood Dr.) every Sunday evening beginning March 14th from 5:30 - 7:00 PM for dinner, catechism study and play. Please bring your catechism books. Questions?? See Susan Inman.

Adult & Youth Sunday School classes: The Adult and Youth Sunday School classes are meeting in the fellowship hall. Dr. Neill is continuing his study of 1&2 Samuel. Please join us.

byFaith Magazine : The March issues of *byFaith Magazine* are in the breezeway.

2021 Offering Envelopes: Offering Envelopes are in the breezeway.

Flowers: 2021 calendar is on the bulletin board downstairs. If you have a date you prefer, please sign up early to reserve that date. Feel free to call the church office to sign up.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00):	Mar 7	78
Live Views		19
Total Online Views		55
Sunday School		55
Last Week's Offering:		\$ 5,406.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$ 59,362.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$ 71,610.00 (-12,248)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Chris and Tina Groebe.

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Caleb Cheon (Taiwan)
- **Ministry of the Month:** RUF Mid South
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Gary Morrison (John Thompson)
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Ryan Groebe
- **College Student of the Week:** Eli Whitten
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



- **Jerry Moore:** please pray for him to regain his strength.
- **Jimmy Carmen** was just diagnosed with Ocular Myasthenia Gravis. He can't see out of his left eye. He is waiting to get an appointment with a specialist. Please pray for the appointment to happen soon. Please pray for Lois and Jimmy.
- **Jennifer McDonald** (Julie Rogers' daughter): still has not gotten her sense of smell back after having COVID-19; please pray that the blood clots that she has will go away.
- **Cindy Vredevelde** (Julie Rogers' sister-in-law): had open heart surgery; has been moved to Select Specialty Hospital, Madison, WI; husband, Gary, has been allowed to go visit her. She has good days and bad. She is still on a ventilator, which they are trying to wean her off of; could still be in the hospital another 4 to 6 months yet due to her present condition.
- **Daisy Lucas** (Kathy & Jim Smith's niece): chronic liver disease; responding well to medication.
- **Danny Fillinger** (Karen Whitney's father): fell & broke 5 ribs; home now on oxygen. Pray for full recovery and strength.
- **Ken Bramlett:** CT scan was negative, no fluid in brain area; having a difficult time with balance; pain in his legs is ongoing but manageable at this time.
- **Debbie Ford** (Beeg Ford's daughter-in-law): had heart surgery Dec 3rd; improving; Doctors are still working to regulate her heart.
- **Bob Booth:** has ALS; receiving physical, occupational and respiratory therapies, as well as, home health.
- **Bill Glover:** still experiencing many problems due to Parkinson's; hopeful of seeing his doctor soon.
- **Alex Word Adams:** expecting mother; due date June 27.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): is scheduled for a MRI on Thursday, March 11th and a procedure to improve his swallowing on Thursday, March 18th; all at UAB. He is receiving PT and will soon begin OT. He has avastin infusions every three weeks at UMMC.
 - **Sherrill Smith** (Jim Smith's sister): brain & lung cancer; has completed radiation on brain tumors and has begun chemo for the lung cancer.
 - **Gib Vredevelde** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer; had a good report from the oncologist; they are pleased that the cancer is slowly progressing and not creating too many problems; tires easily some days but for the most part is doing well; next follow up with the oncologist is in July.
 - **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. 3 years out from extensive surgery and he has had 3 years of stable scans.
 - **John** (French Camp Student): stage 4 Lymphoma; spread to his bones; admitted to St. Jude; started chemo Jan 27th.
 - **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; celebrated his 15th birthday, Jan 18th.
 - **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer; has metastasized to the bone; weak, difficulty walking; receiving treatment.
 - **Sarah Parks Martin** (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer; through with Chemo, doing well.
 - **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic small round cell tumor (DSRCT); approved for clinical trial at MSK and 6 week treatment began on Nov 9th; Praise the Lord! Please pray for shrinkage of the tumors and successful management of the concerning fluid build up.
 - **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer; doing well.
 - **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)
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- **Service members:** Glenn Stewart (S. Korea; Sam Heath's nephew); Isaac Jay (Army, Fort Polk; Elton & Sonia Jay's grandson); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew)
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- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlett, Evelyn Culpepper, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts