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The Lord's Day, June 20, 2021

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

Meditation

C. H. SPURGEON

"Faith saves us, but assurance satisfies us."

Prelude

MARSHA GLOVER / PIANIST

"Praise Him! Praise Him!" arr. by Cindy Berry

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 66:1,2,4

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

People: sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Leader: All the earth worships you and sings praise to you;

People: They sing praises to your name.

Hymn of Praise *

N^{o.} 710

"God of Our Fathers"

1 God of our fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land by thee our lot is cast;

be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay; thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

3 From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase, thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way, lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

N^{o.} 717

"Blest the Man That Fears Jehovah"

1 Blest the man that fears Jehovah, walking ever in his ways; by your toil you shall be prospered and be happy all your days.

2 In your wife you shall have gladness, she shall fill your home with good, happy in her loving service and the joys of motherhood.

3 Joyful children, sons and daughters, shall about your table meet, olive plants, in strength and beauty, full of hope and promise sweet.

4 Lo, on him that fears Jehovah shall this blessedness attend, for Jehovah out of Zion shall to you his blessing send.

5 You shall see God's kingdom prosper all your days, till life shall cease, you shall see your children's children; on your people, Lord be peace.

Responsive Reading

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q&A 26

Q. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ, executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

LADIES CHOIR

"His Name Is Wonderful"

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

Hymn of Response *

Sermon

N^{o.}587

"Who Is on the Lord's Side?" (Frances Havergal)

1 Who is on the Lord's side? Who will serve the King? Who will be his helpers, other lives to bring? Who will leave the world's side? Who will face the foe? Who is on the Lord's side? Who for him will go? By thy call of mercy, by thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are thine.

2 Not for weight of glory, not for crown and palm, enter we the army, raise the warrior psalm; but for Love that claimeth lives for whom he died: he whom Jesus nameth must be on his side. By thy love constraining, by they grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are thine.

3 Jesus, thou hast bought us, not with gold or gem, but with thine own life-blood, for thy diadem: with thy blessing filling each who comes to thee, thou hast made us willing, thou hast made us free. By thy grand redemption, by thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are thine.

4 Fierce may be the conflict, strong ma be the foe, but the King's own army none can overthrow: round his standard ranging, vict'ry is secure; for his truth unchanging makes the triumph sure. Joyfully enlisting by thy grace divine, we are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are thine.

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

¹⁸ John's disciples told him about all these things. Calling two of them, ¹⁹ he sent them to the Lord to ask, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?"²⁰ When the men came to Jesus, they said, "John the Baptist sent us to you to ask, 'Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?'"21 At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind. ²² So he replied to the messengers, "Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor. ²³ Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me." 24 After John's messengers left, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swayed by the wind? ²⁵ If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No. those who wear expensive clothes and indulge in luxury are in palaces. ²⁶ But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷ This is the one about whom it is written: "'I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.'28 I tell you, among those born of women there is no one greater than John; yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he." ²⁹ (All the people, even the tax collectors, when they heard Jesus' words, acknowledged that God's way was right, because they had been baptized by John. 30 But the Pharisees and the experts in the law rejected God's purpose for themselves, because they had not been baptized by John.)³¹ Jesus went on to say, "To what, then, can I compare the people of this generation? What are they like? ³² They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling out to each other: "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not cry.' 33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.' 34 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' 35 But wisdom is proved right by all her children."

Sermon Notes

Luke 7:18-35

"Encounters With Jesus: A Perplexed Prophet"

1. Jesus Comforts the Afflicted

2. Jesus Afflicts the Comfortable

First Ask Why: Raising Kids and Teens to Love God Through Intentional Discipleship

Book Discussion for Parents of Children and Teens Facilitators: John & Ashley Belknap

Sunday Nights June 20—August 29 from 5:30-7:00pm at the church. (We will not meet on July 4th) (Time & location change)
Children and Youth Continue Supper, Study, and Activities - 5:30-7:00pm. It's not too late to join our group for encouraging conversation! Parents of children and teens are invited to join. We know that families travel during the summer—come the weeks that you are in town. Each week has a new topic to discuss. You do not have to read in order to attend—just come!



The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Denny & Ladine Blaylock

Announcements

Communion: Please prepare your hearts to receive the Lord's Supper on July 4. We are going back to our traditional method of having our elders serve the communion. We still have self-service available for those that want it and for the overflow room in the Fellowship Hall.

Thank you: Ladies, Thank you so much for attending our Summer Social Tuesday evening. Attendance was great and it was wonderful seeing everyone "in Person". If you were unable to attend, your Women's Ministry handbook is in the office. Also the Sign Up sheets for the various ministry opportunities will be on the hallway bulletin board for the next few weeks. Your participation and desire to serve is very much appreciated.— Women's Ministry Team

Game Night: Everyone is invited to a board game night on Friday, June 25 From 6:00—8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall hosted by the Children's Ministry. Bring a favorite game. Snacks will be provided.

Summer Quarter Sunday School Classes Began June 6th. Adults: Scotty Dickey and Darrin Tolar will be leading a 13-week study of the Apostles' Creed. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall as we explore this ancient treasure of the church. Youth: Brian Smith will resume the Junior & Senior High class upstairs in the Youth room.

Golf Tournament: There is a sign up sheet for the Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament on the Bulletin Board. If you would be interested in participating, please sign up. Thank you, Buford

BELL RINGERS: Today: Steele Stanford **Next Week:** Taylor Vance

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00): June 13 103
Live Views 9
Total Online Views 19
Sunday School 56
Last Week's Offering: \$6,934.00
Online Giving: \$4,445.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving: \$176,093.00

Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving \$171,864.00 (+4,229.00)

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

IN PRAYER

- MTW Missionary of the Month: Joe & Laurel Barnes
- Ministry of the Month: Harris & Laura Beth Bond (Quachita Presbyterian Church)
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Walt Herrington, Brian Smith & Darrin Tolar
- Child(ren) of the Week: Cora, Colton, and Jake Whitney
- College Student of the Week: Rebecca Groebe
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.



- **Bill Glover:** must remain in knee brace until mid-July per surgeon's instructions; has been struggling with pain but having less problems from dizziness.
- Jacquelyn Thornell (Church Organist): fell last Sunday & had a total left hip replacement Monday. Her surgery went well; pray that she will be able to get into Wisteria for rehab.
- Frank Clayton: home recuperating; still in some pain. please continue to pray for his complete recovery.
- Laverne Parks: passed away; please keep her family in your prayers.
- **Cindy Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' sister-in law): is in a nursing home now. She still needs a lot of personal care. She is making slow progress; has been able to take a few steps using a walker.
- Albert Allen: fell and hit his head. He is now recovering at Wisteria; please keep him in your prayers.
- **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.
- 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.
- Alex Word Adams: expecting mother; due date June 27.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- Will Glover (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): his MRI showed a substantial spread of cancer. He will see the UMMC neurologist/oncologist Monday. Hospice has been recommended.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. We are so very thankful and grateful to report that Jim has had another stable scan. We are so appreciative of all the pray-ers and all the prayers from our church family.
- Andrew Gerrard (Jo Stanford's Nephew): desmoblastic small round cell tumor(s); has undergone several rounds of chemo prescribed by MDA. The tumors have remained stable; doctors are please with this, as there are ongoing studies and trials which seem promising. This stability buys time in hopes that a new treatment will emerge that will be successful.
- Sherrill Smith (Jim Smith's sister): brain & lung cancer; has completed radiation on brain tumors and has begun chemo for the lung cancer.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer; 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 oncologist follow up is in July.
- **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.
- Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer: Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)
- Service members: Glenn Stewart (S. Korea; Sam Heath's nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew)
- Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Bob & Jody Nelson, , Laverne Roberts