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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, January 23, 2022

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

Meditation

JOHN NEWTON

"Though troubles assail us and dangers affright, though friends should all fail us and foes all unite, yet one thing secures us, whatever betide, the promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."

Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST

"He Eye Is on the Sparrow" - Gabriel/Ham
(piano)

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

REVELATION 4:6-11

Leader: And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind:

People: The first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight.

Leader: And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

People: "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

Leader: And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever,

People: The twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever.

Leader: They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

People: "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

Hymn of Praise *

Nº 100

"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! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

Nº 598

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'ful 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 Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, 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.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

“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

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory

JACQUELYN THORNELL

“Voluntary” - Winton

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.*

Anthem

ADULT CHOIR

“God’s Peace: Come Away from Rush and Hurry”

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

2KINGS 2

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. ³ The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” Elisha replied, “so be quiet.” ⁴ Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho. ⁵ The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” he replied, “so be quiet.” ⁶ Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them walked on. ⁷ Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸ Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. ⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?” “Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,” Elisha replied. ¹⁰ “You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not.” ¹¹ As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹² Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!” And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two. ¹³ Elisha then picked up Elijah’s cloak that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴ He took the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and struck the water with it. “Where now is the LORD, the God of Elijah?” he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left,

and he crossed over. ¹⁵ The company of the prophets from Jericho, who were watching, said, "The spirit of Elijah is resting on Elisha." And they went to meet him and bowed to the ground before him. ¹⁶ "Look," they said, "we your servants have fifty able men. Let them go and look for your master. Perhaps the Spirit of the LORD has picked him up and set him down on some mountain or in some valley." "No," Elisha replied, "do not send them." ¹⁷ But they persisted until he was too embarrassed to refuse. So he said, "Send them." ¹⁸ And they sent fifty men, who searched for three days but did not find him. ¹⁹ When they returned to Elisha, who was staying in Jericho, he said to them, "Didn't I tell you not to go?" ²⁰ The people of the city said to Elisha, "Look, our lord, this town is well situated, as you can see, but the water is bad and the land is unproductive." ²¹ "Bring me a new bowl," he said, "and put salt in it." So they brought it to him. ²² Then he went out to the spring and threw the salt into it, saying, "This is what the LORD says: 'I have healed this water. Never again will it cause death or make the land unproductive.'" ²³ And the water has remained pure to this day, according to the word Elisha had spoken. ²⁴ From there Elisha went up to Bethel. As he was walking along the road, some boys came out of the town and jeered at him. "Get out of here, baldy!" they said. "Get out of here, baldy!" ²⁵ He turned around, looked at them and called down a curse on them in the name of the LORD. Then two bears came out of the woods and mauled forty-two of the boys. ²⁶ And he went on to Mount Carmel and from there returned to Samaria.

Sermon DR. JOHN K. DAWSON
"The Ever Present God"

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 our 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]

Benediction

*Congregation Standing

Sermon Notes

2 Kings 2

"The Ever Present God"

I. God's Ever Present in His Power

II. God's Ever Present in His Wisdom

III. God's Ever Present in His Grace

Announcements

Ames Lee: We are starting a fund to help the Lee family as little Ames battles leukemia. If you'd like to contribute, you can earmark your donation to the "Ames Lee Fund," e.g., by writing it in the memo line of a check payable to Brandon Presbyterian Church. All gifts will be tax deductible.


MSMR: Mid-South Men's Rally will be held on Friday, February 4, at FPC, Jackson from 5:15-9:00 PM. Guest speaker will be Dr. Derek Thomas

Adult Choir: The Adult Choir meets at 4:30-5:20 in the sanctuary on Sunday Evenings.

Devo & Donuts: All students in 6th-8th grade are invited to join us this Wednesday, January 26th at 7:15 a.m. for Devo & Donuts.

Sunday Night: There will be no children or adult Sunday evening activities this Sunday, January 23rd.

BELL RINGERS: Today: Joel Ouzts Next Week: Keaton Hoge

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The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by
Jim and Melinda Neill

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Rodney and Jana Davila
- **Ministry of the Month:** Covenant Seminary
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey, Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Ainslie, Laken, and Hutton Curtis
- **College Student of the Week:** Matt Stowers
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



- **Dr. Reynolds Young** (Cecile Whitten's Dad): passed into glory Wednesday; Please remember Cecile and family in your prayers.
- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): is receiving treatment for leukemia at Blair Batson hospital. Please keep Ames and his family in your prayers.
- **James Callicutt** (Ranita's son): recovering from recent liver transplant; doing fine; experiencing no pain. Blood work continuing to move to normal limits. Staying in away from COVID. Thanks to everyone for all the prayers; they are certainly working.
- **Stephanie Daniels** (Noel Daniels's wife): had a stroke; still at Wisteria; improving little by little. Noel thanks you for your continued prayers.
- **Bill Glover:** Doctors have been unable to pinpoint the origin of his ongoing pain.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): is dealing with heart problems. Please keep Brady and his family in your prayers.
- **Joy Kemp** (Dotsy Peel's daughter): had surgery on December 21st; everything went well and she is recovering.
- **Cindy Vredevel** (Julie Rogers' sister-in law): is now back at home with my brother and doing well. Thank you all for the prayers for her healing.
- **Jennifer McDonald** (Julie Rogers' daughter): has regained only some of her ability to smell from having covid a year ago; she can smell strong odors only. Her blood clots are under control as long as she stays on her Eliquis.
- **David Anderson** (Kerri Matthew's uncle): completed radiation treatment at MD Anderson. Treatment was effective but will need heart surgery in the near future.
- **Danny Fillinger** (Karen Whitney's father): fell & broke 5 ribs; home now on oxygen. Pray for full recovery and strength.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's nephew): his latest scan at MDA showed that his cancer remains stable. Praise to God! Since he is at the end of the line with standard DSRCT protocols, he is going to have to move to more experimental drugs. There is a trial available that he is eligible for... not specifically for DSRCT, but it does target the NTRK gene fusion. His cancer translocation signals the NTRK and the drug on trial blocks the NTRK. His doctor say that this drug has the potential to help him. Insurance approval should come in the next 2 weeks, so he should be able to start the trial soon after. The plan is for him to participate in the trial in Nashville. Please pray for all logistics to work out smoothly if it is God's will for Andrew to participate in this trial.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. Jim's December 14 scan was stable. We want to thank our BPC family for all the prayer support. We are so thankful for these blessings.
- **John** (French Camp student): stage 4 Lymphoma; had chemo at St. Jude. He is doing well and is back at French Camp.
- **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' uncle): prostate cancer; has metastasized to the bone; weak, difficulty walking.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; celebrated his 15th birthday, Jan 18, 2021.
- **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)
- **Service members:** Glenn Stewart (Fort Campbell, KY; 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, Jody Nelson, Laverne Roberts

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00):	Jan 16	54
Live Views		23
Total Online Views		48
Sunday School		43
Last Week's Offering:		\$2,795.00
Online Giving:		\$5,145.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$7,650.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$24,490.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$22,950.00 (+1,540.00)