

The Lord's Day Worship Service

May 10, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Ps. 122:1

I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn # 2....."O Worship the King"

* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Esther 2:8-14

CONFESSION OF SIN

Based on Calvin's *Form of Church Prayers* (1545).....said in unison

Lord God! Eternal and almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of ourselves to do any good, who, by reason of our depravity, transgress without end your holy commandments. Therefore, we have drawn upon ourselves, by your just sentence, condemnation and death.

But, O Lord! with heartfelt sorrow, we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true repentance, beseeching that your grace may relieve our distress. Be pleased to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

And grant us the daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, that, acknowledging from our inmost heart our own unrighteousness, we may be touched with sorrow that shall work true repentance, and that your Spirit, mortifying all sin within us, may produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness well pleasing in your sight. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all.

1 Tim. 1:15

Therefore I declare to you:

For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3:17-18

Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

* Hymn # 30....."Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Revelation 11:15-19

The Heidelberg Catechism (Lord's Day 19).....read responsively

Q. 50 Why is it added, "and sitteth at the right hand of God"?

A. **Because Christ is ascended into heaven for this end, that he might appear as head of his church, by whom the Father governs all things.**

Q. 51 What profit is this glory of Christ, our head, unto us?

A. **First, that by his Holy Spirit he pours out heavenly graces upon us his members; and then that by his power he defends and preserves us against all enemies.**

Q. 52 What comfort is it to thee that "Christ shall come again to judge the quick and the dead"?

A. **That in all my sorrows and persecutions, with uplifted head I look for the very same person, who before offered himself for my sake, to the tribunal of God, and has removed all curse from me, to come as judge from heaven: who shall cast all his and my enemies into everlasting condemnation, but shall translate me with all his chosen ones to himself, into heavenly joys and glory.**

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology.....page 731

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn # 345....."Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

* Reading of the Word of God.....Acts 21:27-40

Sermon: "Recognition, Riot, and Rescue".....Dr. Jones

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

* Hymn # 353....."I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

* Benediction

* Congregational Threefold Amen

* Congregation Standing

Acts 21:27-40 (NASB)

²⁷ When the seven days were almost over, the Jews from Asia, upon seeing him in the temple, *began* to stir up all the crowd and laid hands on him, ²⁸ crying out, "Men of Israel, come to our aid! This is the man who preaches to all men everywhere against our people and the Law and this place; and besides he has even brought Greeks into the temple and has defiled this holy place." ²⁹ For they had previously seen Trophimus the Ephesian in the city with him, and they supposed that Paul had brought him into the temple. ³⁰ Then all the city was provoked, and the people rushed together, and taking hold of Paul they dragged him out of the temple, and immediately the doors were shut. ³¹ While they were seeking to kill him, a report came up to the commander of the *Roman* cohort that all Jerusalem was in confusion. ³² At once he took along *some* soldiers and centurions and ran down to them; and when they saw the commander and the soldiers, they stopped beating Paul. ³³ Then the commander came up and took hold of him, and ordered him to be bound with two chains; and he *began* asking who he was and what he had done. ³⁴ But among the crowd some were shouting one thing *and* some another, and when he could not find out the facts because of the uproar, he ordered him to be brought into the barracks. ³⁵ When he got to the stairs, he was carried by the soldiers because of the violence of the mob; ³⁶ for the multitude of the people kept following them, shouting, "Away with him!" ³⁷ As Paul was about to be brought into the barracks, he said to the commander, "May I say something to you?" And he said, "Do you know Greek?" ³⁸ "Then you are not the Egyptian who some time ago stirred up a revolt and led the four thousand men of the Assassins out into the wilderness?" ³⁹ But Paul said, "I am a Jew of Tarsus in Cilicia, a citizen of no insignificant city; and I beg you, allow me to speak to the people." ⁴⁰ When he had given him permission, Paul, standing on the stairs, motioned to the people with his hand; and when there was a great hush, he spoke to them in the Hebrew dialect, saying,

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FRPC Announcements

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We welcome all worshippers, especially our new visitors.
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

WELCOME – We welcome you all to the worship service of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Moss Bluff. Our desire and prayer is for this church to grow to become a light for the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this community.

SUGGESTIONS – We welcome your input and suggestions on how to make First Reformed Presbyterian Church *the* church for you.

COMMUNION – While we normally observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship, we will not be serving communion until the session determines to resume the corporate celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Happy Birthday to Kathy Harper, this Wednesday, May 13, 2020.

NO BIBLE STUDY – This Thursday we will continue the quarantine.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Virtual Corporate Worship.....08:30 A.M.

This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....<https://youtu.be/YYgUpXCyVoM>

First Reformed Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

THE CHURCH

FRPC & DeRidder PCA.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal
Southern Louisiana Presbytery.....108th Stated Meeting on July 25, 2020
Presbyterian Church in America.....48th General Assembly has been canceled
Persecuted Christians.....Pastor Wang Yi & Early Rain Covenant Church, China

MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers
Brian Brock.....Missionary pilot
Bill Carr.....Mokahum Ministry Center (Native American Ministry) in Bemidji, MN
Scott Clement.....(RE Plains PCA, Zachary) Navojoa, Sonora, Mexico
Yannick Imbert.....Prof. at Aix-en-Provence, France

SALVATION

Kathy’s and Barbara’s sisters
Don
Jennie

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

Abby Finn
Gavin Finn
Lizzie Finn
Caleb Greene
Eowyn Greene
Ilijah Greene
Noah Greene
Phillip Greene
Samuel Greene

GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Harvey Clineman.....Salvation; recovery from multiple bypass surgery
Bill Haas (director of Mokahum).....Stroke and recovery
Kathy Harper.....Pain in lower abdomen
Angie.....Virus infection in Asst Care facility where she works
Barbara Hebert.....Recovery from stroke; broken foot
Beth Lordo.....Balancing work and family; medical treatments
Don Lordo.....Kidney stones
Ben Scoggins.....Rehab
Charity Scoggins.....Eczema
Elbie (Elizabeth) van der Merwe.....Spot on spine; cannot walk; test results

CANCER

Margo Attwell.....Breast Cancer; chemo and radiation
Patty Audirsch.....Lung cancer; chemo and radiation; sepsis
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery
Ken Richardson.....Cancer; heart medication
Marian Richardson.....Cancer; benign tumor in ear
Butch Sizelove.....Cancer; liver problems

RECOGNITION, RIOT, AND RESCUE

Text: Acts 21:27–40

I. RECOGNITION

A. Paul Spotted By Enemies

B. Paul Accused By Them

II. RIOT

A. The City In An Uproar

B. Barring The Temple Doors

III. RESCUE

A. Romans To The Rescue

B. Agabus' Prophecy Fulfilled

C. A Case Of Mistaken Identity

D. Paul's Boldness