

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

November 8, 2020 6:00 p.m.

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; To all who mourn and long for comfort; To all who struggle and desire victory; To all who sin and need a Savior; To all who are strangers and want fellowship; To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; And to whoever will come – This church opens wide her doors And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 57:1

Leader: Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me.

All: For in you my soul takes refuge. In the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. Acts 3:8 Ð Em D D Ġ *l*. 0 for a thou-sand tongues to sing great Re-deem - er's praise, my 2. My gra- cious Mas - ter and my God as sist me to рго claim, 3. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease; 4. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he sets the pris - 'ner free; 8 **D**7 GП С Г G/D e σ God and King, the tri - umphs of his of grace. the glo - ries my to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name. the life and health mu - sic in sin - ner's ears, 'tis and peace. 'tis blood a - vailed for blood can make the foul - est clean, his me. hi\$

- He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.
- Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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* INVOCATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 15:35-49, page 961

The Resurrection Body

³⁵ But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶ You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷ And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸ But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ³⁹ For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. ⁴⁰ There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. ⁴¹ There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

⁴² So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³ It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being";^[a] the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶ But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸ As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of dust, we shall^[b] also bear the image of the man of heaven.

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Holy, Holy, Holy!

Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." Rev. 4:8



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CONFESSION OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism No. 59

Question: Which day of the seven hath God appointed to be the weekly sabbath?

Answer: From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian sabbath.

EVENING PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Let Our Choir New Anthems Raise 357

Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life. Rev. 2:10



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THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Dr. Mantle Nance

"Christ Our Refuge" Numbers 35, ESV page 143

Cities for the Levites

35 The LORD spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, ² "Command the people of Israel to give to the Levites some of the inheritance of their possession as cities for them to dwell in. And you shall give to the Levites pasturelands around the cities. ³The cities shall be theirs to dwell in, and their pasturelands shall be for their cattle and for their livestock and for all their beasts. ⁴The pasturelands of the cities, which you shall give to the Levites, shall reach from the wall of the city outward a thousand cubits^[a] all around. ⁵And you shall measure, outside the city, on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits, the city being in the middle. This shall belong to them as pastureland for their cities.

⁶ "The cities that you give to the Levites shall be the six cities of refuge, where you shall permit the manslayer to flee, and in addition to them you shall give forty-two cities. ⁷ All the cities that you give to the Levites shall be forty-eight, with their pasturelands. ⁸ And as for the cities that you shall give from the possession of the people of Israel, from the larger tribes you shall take many, and from the smaller tribes you shall take few; each, in proportion to the inheritance that it inherits, shall give of its cities to the Levites."

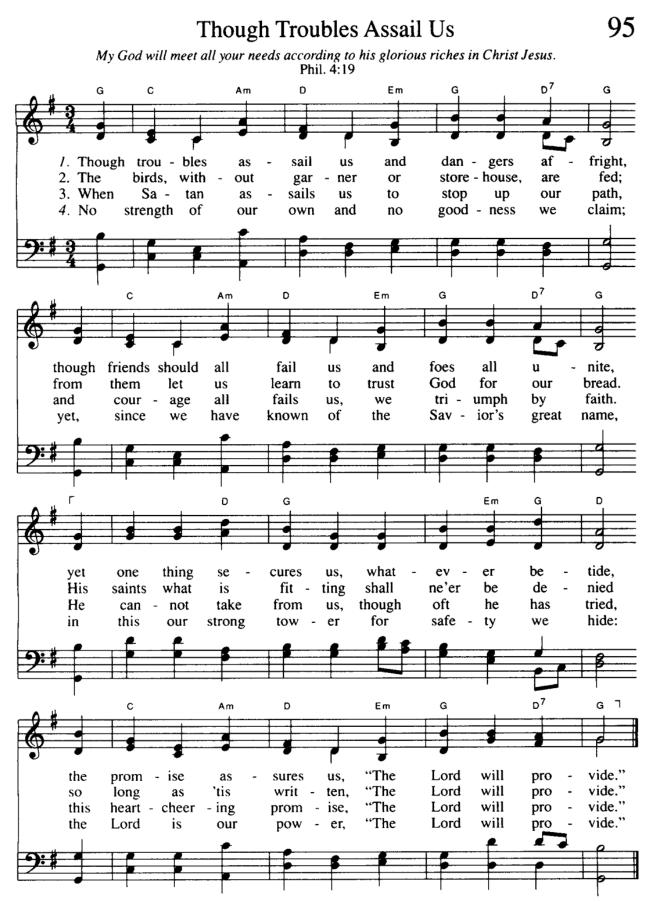
Cities of Refuge

⁹ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ¹⁰ "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When you cross the Jordan into the land of Canaan, ¹¹ then you shall select cities to be cities of refuge for you, that the manslayer who kills any person without intent may flee there. ¹² The cities shall be for you a refuge from the avenger, that the manslayer may not die until he stands before the congregation for judgment. ¹³ And the cities that you give shall be your six cities of refuge. ¹⁴ You shall give three cities beyond the Jordan, and three cities in the land of Canaan, to be cities of refuge. ¹⁵ These six cities shall be for refuge for the people of Israel, and for the stranger and for the sojourner among them, that anyone who kills any person without intent may flee there.

¹⁶ "But if he struck him down with an iron object, so that he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall be put to death. ¹⁷ And if he struck him down with a stone tool that could cause death, and he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall be put to death. ¹⁸ Or if he struck him down with a wooden tool that could cause death, and he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall be put to death. ¹⁹ The avenger of blood shall himself put the murderer to death; when he meets him, he shall put him to death. ²⁰ And if he pushed him out of hatred or hurled something at him, lying in wait, so that he died, ²¹ or in enmity struck him down with his hand, so that he died, then he who struck the blow shall be put to death. He is a murderer. The avenger of blood shall put the murderer to death he meets him.

²² "But if he pushed him suddenly without enmity, or hurled anything on him without lying in wait ²³ or used a stone that could cause death, and without seeing him dropped it on him, so that he died, though he was not his enemy and did not seek his harm, ²⁴ then the congregation shall judge between the manslayer and the avenger of blood, in accordance with these rules. ²⁵ And the congregation shall rescue the manslayer from the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to his city of refuge to which he had fled, and he shall live in it until the death of the high priest who was anointed with the holy oil. ²⁶ But if the manslayer shall at any time go beyond the boundaries of his city of refuge to which he fled, ²⁷ and the avenger of blood finds him outside the boundaries of his city of refuge, and the avenger of blood kills the manslayer, he shall not be guilty of blood. ²⁸ For he must remain in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest, but after the death of the high priest the manslayer may return to the land of his possession. ²⁹ And these things shall be for a statute and rule for you throughout your generations in all your dwelling places.

³⁰ "If anyone kills a person, the murderer shall be put to death on the evidence of witnesses. But no person shall be put to death on the testimony of one witness. ³¹ Moreover, you shall accept no ransom for the life of a murderer, who is guilty of death, but he shall be put to death. ³² And you shall accept no ransom for him who has fled to his city of refuge, that he may return to dwell in the land before the death of the high priest. ³³ You shall not pollute the land in which you live, for blood pollutes the land, and no atonement can be made for the land for the blood that is shed in it, except by the blood of the one who shed it. ³⁴ You shall not defile the land in which you live, in the midst of which I dwell, for I the LORD dwell in the midst of the people of Israel."



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* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Congregation Standing

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

At this time, we do not plan to collect the offering by passing the plate. These are available in the back of the sanctuary. Online or mail-in giving are still encouraged, but you can drop a check in the plate if that is more convenient.

ONLINE: <u>http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/</u>

MAIL: Please mail tithe checks (no cash) to the treasurer's address. She will immediately deposit to the church's account and forward the Wells Fargo e-mail confirmation to you:

Marilyn Spencer - BPC Treasurer 3020 Shaker Drive Charlotte, NC 28210

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Night 7 p.m. Women's Prayer Meeting IN PERSON and via Zoom

Phoebe Pritchett leads with a prayer in the Bible and then we spend an extended time of prayer together. We will be meeting in person at the church, as well as having Zoom set up. Contact Phoebe Pritchett with any questions: Phoebe@ballantynepres.com or 770.823.2508.

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. Congregational Prayer Meeting IN PERSON and via ZOOM

Dr. Nance leads with a devotional and then we will pray together on a Zoom call hosted by Michael Moon. ****** <u>The ZOOM meeting password is the same as the Prayer List</u> <u>password</u>** <u>https://zoom.us/j/97617806601</u>

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. Youth Group IN PERSON and via Zoom

Josh Duemler leads our Youth Group using ZOOM. Our current series is called "Who is Jesus?", where we are looking at the book of Mark, as we seek to discover how Mark answers this question and grow in our faith and knowledge of Jesus. <u>https://zoom.us/j/95777569226</u>

Friday Morning 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study IN PERSON and via Zoom

Keith Kowadlo leads Men's Bible Study, which meets at church at 7 a.m., in person, while simultaneously broadcasting live via Zoom - <u>https://zoom.us/j/93124082779</u>

SAVE THE DATES

Nov. 8 Deacons' Benevolence Fund Offering

Nov. 21 Youth Thanksgiving Event

Nov. 24-25 NO Prayer Meetings or Youth Group

- Nov. 26 THANKSGIVING
- Nov. 27 NO Men's Prayer Meeting
- Nov. 29 NO In-Person EVENING Worship Live-Stream Only
- **Dec. 5** Youth Progressive Dinner
- Dec. 13 A Festival of Lessons and Carols, 6 p.m.

SESSION

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| Michael and Laura Cochran | World Witness | England |
| Drew & Lauren Goodman | World Witness | Sully, Wales |
| Josh & Ashley Grimm | RUF - Queens | Charlotte, NC |
| *John & Judy Lehner | Pilgrim Grace for Spain | Charlotte, NC |
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| Rob & Rachel Turner | Arsenal Hill Presbyterian | Columbia, SC |
| Michael & Lauren Wenzler | RUF - CSU | Ft. Collins, CO |
| Justin & M. Westmoreland | Trinity Presbyterian Church | Norman, OK |
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CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

| 9/30/20 YTD | Actual | Budget | Variance |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Income | \$246,343 | \$254,400 | (\$8,057) |
| Expenses | \$240,323 | \$254,400 | (\$14,077) |
| Net Income/ (Deficit) | \$6,020 | \$ 0 | \$6,020 |

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