

## THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

November 8, 2020 11:00 a.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.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

#### \* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 64:10; Isaiah 61:10

Leader: Let the righteous one rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in him! Let all the upright in heart exult!

All: Let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; for He has clothed us with the garments of salvation; He has covered us with the robe of righteousness.

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# Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD. Ps. 27:4



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#### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

#### 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.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Leader: Most holy and merciful God, you have searched us, and you know us; you are acquainted with all our ways.

## All: We confess our sinfulness before you, and seek your forgiveness.

Leader: We have failed in our duty; we have forgotten our high calling; we have fallen into many temptations.

# All: We have dishonored your name; we have injured our neighbors; we have hurt our own souls.

Leader: Give us, we pray, the spirit of true repentance, that we may turn from our sins and forsake them with our whole heart;

# All: And in your great love, have mercy on us; for the sake of your dear Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

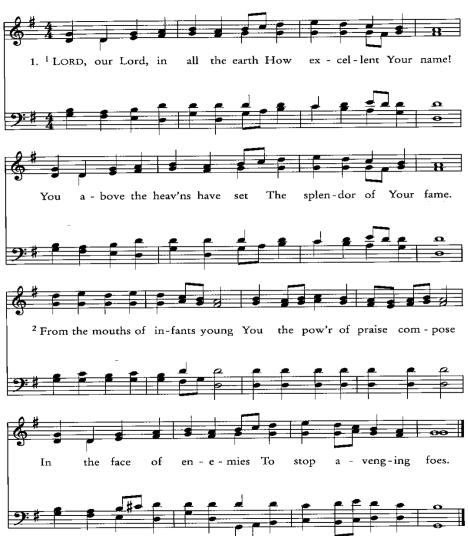
Isaiah 53:6,12

We all, like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all... He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

## Lord, Our Lord (v. 1)

ARP Psalter No. 8



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#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Jeremiah 42:1-22, page 669

## Warning Against Going to Egypt

42 Then all the commanders of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least to the greatest, came near <sup>2</sup> and said to Jeremiah the prophet, "Let our plea for mercy come before you, and pray to the LORD your God for us, for all this remnant—because we are left with but a few, as your eyes see us— <sup>3</sup> that the LORD your God may show us the way we should go, and the thing that we should do." <sup>4</sup> Jeremiah the prophet said to them, "I have heard you. Behold, I will pray to the LORD your God according to your request, and whatever the LORD answers you I will tell you. I will keep nothing back from you." <sup>5</sup> Then they said to Jeremiah, "May the LORD be a true and faithful witness against us if we do not act according to all the word with which the LORD your God sends you to us. <sup>6</sup> Whether it is good or bad, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God to whom we are sending you, that it may be well with us when we obey the voice of the LORD our God."

<sup>7</sup> At the end of ten days the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah. <sup>8</sup> Then he summoned Johanan the son of Kareah and all the commanders of the forces who were with him, and all the people from the least to the greatest, 9 and said to them, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, to whom you sent me to present your plea for mercy before him: 10 If you will remain in this land, then I will build you up and not pull you down; I will plant you, and not pluck you up; for I relent of the disaster that I did to you. <sup>11</sup>Do not fear the king of Babylon, of whom you are afraid. Do not fear him, declares the LORD, for I am with you, to save you and to deliver you from his hand. <sup>12</sup> I will grant you mercy, that he may have mercy on you and let you remain in your own land. 13 But if you say, 'We will not remain in this land,' disobeying the voice of the LORD your God 14 and saying, 'No, we will go to the land of Egypt, where we shall not see war or hear the sound of the trumpet or be hungry for bread, and we will dwell there,' 15 then hear the word of the LORD, O remnant of Judah. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: If you set your faces to enter Egypt and go to live there, <sup>16</sup> then the sword that you fear shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine of which you are afraid shall follow close after you to Egypt, and there you shall die. <sup>17</sup> All the men who set their faces to go to Egypt to live there shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence. They shall have no remnant or survivor from the disaster that I will bring upon them.

<sup>18</sup> "For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: As my anger and my wrath were poured out on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so my wrath will be poured out on you when you go to Egypt. You shall become an execration, a horror, a curse, and a taunt. You shall see this place no more. <sup>19</sup> The LORD has said to you, O remnant of Judah, 'Do not go to Egypt.' Know for a certainty that I have warned you this day <sup>20</sup> that you have gone astray at the cost of your lives. For you sent me to the LORD your God, saying, 'Pray for us to the LORD our God, and whatever the LORD our God says, declare to us and we will do it.' <sup>21</sup> And I have this day declared it to you, but you have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God in anything that he sent me to tell you. <sup>22</sup> Now therefore know for a certainty that you shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence in the place where you desire to go to live."

### THE CONFESSION OF FAITH: 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 worshiped 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.

#### THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

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.

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THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

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## I Need Thee, Precious Jesus

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:68



"Promise, Preparation, & Possession" Galatians 3:15-26, ESV page 973

#### The Law and the Promise

<sup>15</sup> To give a human example, brothers: [2] even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. <sup>16</sup> Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. <sup>17</sup> This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. <sup>18</sup> For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

<sup>19</sup>Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. <sup>20</sup> Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

<sup>21</sup> Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. <sup>22</sup> But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

DEACONS' BENEVOLENCE FUND OFFERING

## Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

The Sovereign Lord says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation." Is. 28:16



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#### \* BENEDICTION

#### \* Doxology

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

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

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#### **POSTLUDE**

<sup>\*</sup> 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:** <a href="http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/">http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/</a>

**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 SUNDAY AT BPC

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship – In Person and Live Streamed

https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

**6:00 p.m.** Evening Worship – In Person and Live Streamed

https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

#### 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. \*\* The ZOOM meeting password is the same as the Prayer List password \*\* https://zoom.us/j/97617806601

## 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. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/95777569226">https://zoom.us/j/95777569226</a>

### 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 - <a href="https://zoom.us/j/93124082779">https://zoom.us/j/93124082779</a>

#### 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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Dr. Brian Jerby	Women's Ministry	704-574-0678
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Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

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Mr. Keith Kowadlo	Men's Ministry	704-618-6181
Mr. Jake Spencer	Chair/ Finance	704-617-0197
Mr. Tim Teague	Clerk	704-770-1421

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Mr. Michael Moon	Intern	828-989-7356
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## MISSIONARIES AND SUPPORTED MINISTRIES

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Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	Sully, Wales
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Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF - CSU	Ft. Collins, CO
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Norman, OK
*Missionary of the Month		

## 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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