

THE LORD'S DAY

September 24, 2023 11:00 a.m. https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

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

CHORAL INTROIT

Hear This, All Earth's Nations (v. 1)

ARP Psalter No. 49A

Hear this, all earth's nations, now; All living men give ear;

All together, low and high, Both rich and poor, now hear.

I'll speak wisdom with my mouth, Insight weighed within my heart;

I'll to proverbs lend my ear, Solve riddles with the harp.

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

2 Corinthians 8

Leader: Beloved, you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

All: Let us worship him who has made us truly rich!

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O Worship the King

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. Ps. 145:10



- Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
- O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn you above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

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

Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but they shall not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. Would you do this in the name of Jesus, the name above all names. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:1,2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor (v. 1,3)

Trinity Hymnal No. 230

Thou who was rich beyond all splendor, all for love's sake becamest poor; thrones for a manger didst surrender, sapphire-paved courts for stable floor. Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor, all for love's sake becamest poor.

Thou who art love beyond all telling, Savior and King, we worship thee.

Emmanuel, within us dwelling, make us what thou wouldst have us be.

Thou who art love beyond all telling, Savior and King, we worship thee.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 49, ESV page 472

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All: I do. I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

All: I do. I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All: I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism Nubia Bambot Nkwah

VOWS OF THE PARENTS:

Do you renounce the devil and all spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you renew the vows which you made when you received the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior and entered into the full communion of his Church? *I do*.

Do you acknowledge that Nubia is a sinner in need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and of the life-giving ministry of Holy Spirit?

I do.

Do you claim God's covenant promises on Nubia's behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own? *I do*.

In humble reliance on the grace of the Triune God, will you bring up Nubia to love and serve Him, to the end that he may come to commit his life to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

I will, the Lord being my helper.

CONGREGATIONAL VOW:

Do you undertake with Augustine and Mary the covenant responsibility for the Christian nurture of Nubia?

All: I do.

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.

THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHORAL ANTHEM

Lift Thine Eyes Mendelssohn

* HYMN OF PREPARATION

Trinity Hymnal No. 307

307 Nothing but the Blood



THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Luke 12:13-21, ESV page 871 "The Parable of the Rich Fool"

Dr. Mantle Nance

Be Thou My Vision

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Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. Phil. 3:7



* 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

^{*} Congregation Standing

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

ONLINE: http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

THIS SUNDAY AT BPC

9:00 a.m. Adult Choir rehearsal -contact Dr. Catie Jackson for more information about choir.

10:00 a.m. Children and Youth begin Sunday school hour in the choir room

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for ages 3 to adult, nursery available

Adult Sunday School study is Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers by Dane Ortlund, which is available for purchase https://a.co/d/1QsLDwR

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. PRAYER MEETING

In Person & via Zoom

Dr. Nance leads with a devotional and then we will pray together on a Zoom call. **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 at BPC

This semester the Youth Group is exploring *What is a Disciple?*. Please join us on Wednesdays at 6:30pm for snacks and a lesson. Contact Jordan Perkins for more information or to be added to the weekly email: <u>jordanmperkins16@gmail.com</u>

Friday Morning 7 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - In Person

Keith Kowadlo leads Men's Bible Study, which meets at church at 7 a.m.

SAVE THE DATES

- Oct. 3 Young Adults meet at Kennedy's, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 5 Women's Bible study continues our weekly study on Revelation, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 5 *NEW* Rehearsals for Lessons and Carols begin, 4 p.m.
- **Dec. 7** *NEW* Women's Christmas Ornament Exchange, 6 p.m.
- **Dec. 17** A Festival of Lessons & Carols, 6 p.m.

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

| 6/30/2023 | Actual | Budget | Variance |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Income/Gifts | \$168,262 | \$175,281 | (\$7,019) |
| Expenses | \$178,758 | \$175,281 | (\$3,477) |
| Net Income/(Deficit) | (\$10,496) | \$0 | (\$10,496) |

| SESSION | | |
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| Michael & Lauren Wenzler | RUF - CSU | Ft. Collins, CO |
| Justin & M. Westmoreland | Trinity Presbyterian Ch. | Norman, OK |

SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.

*Missionary of the Month