



JESUS true RIGHTEOUSNESS

MATTHEW 5:17-20



ORDER OF WORSHIP | May 12, 2024

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Upon A Life

CALL TO WORSHIP | Jeremiah 33:14-16 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Philippians 3:7-9 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

We Will Dwell

It Is Done

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Westminster Shorter Catechism:

- Q. 33. What is justification?
- A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.
- Q. 34. What is adoption?
- A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, a whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.
- Q. 35. What is sanctification?
- A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.
- Q. 36. What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?
- A. The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Abide

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Matthew 5:17-20 (ESV) Title: Jesus and True Righteousness Teacher: Tim Rice

17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. 19 Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

INTRO: A perpetually elusive question is: "What or who is right?"

HEAVENLY AUTHORITY & MISSION

Why can Jesus speak in a way that no one else can?

INSIDE OUT & UPSIDE DOWN How do we get "righteousness" so wrong?

AN ALIEN RIGHTEOUSNESS

How is it possible, if we have been unrighteous, to become and remain righteous?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His holiness and righteousness. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that He is purely good and that He is the basis for all that we were designed to be in our character and conduct.
- 2. How have you lived as if you are a standard unto yourself, and as a result, how have you hurt your neighbor and defied your Maker? Confess your selfish pride to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and restore your heart.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for His gracious work to forgive us and restore us. Thank Him for atoning for our guilt by His death in our place, and for healing our heart by the gift of His Spirit indwelling.
- 4. Who do you know that struggles to follow Jesus from the heart? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them in their very soul, as He has helped you, to both adore and trust Him as the Only One who is worthy of your love.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and goodness. Pray for heart transformation to trust that He "is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." (2 Corinthians 9:8)

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Women's Ministry Summer Series June 12, 26 & July 10, 24

Contact Janet Smith, 719-646-9408 for details.



Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2024 - Scuba June 17-21 Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for information.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

May 13-18, 2024

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	2 Corinthians 12 1 Chronicles 18	Leviticus 6 Jeremiah 22
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 13 1 Chronicles 19	Leviticus 7 Jeremiah 23
Wednesday	Galatians 1 1 Chronicles 20	Leviticus 8 Jeremiah 24
Thursday	Galatians 2 1 Chronicles 21	Leviticus 9 Jeremiah 25
Friday	Galatians 3 1 Chronicles 22	Leviticus 10 Jeremiah 26
Saturday	Psalm 72	Psalm 20 Psalm 119:81-96

Scripture Memory for the Week: Matthew 5:17 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

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