THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

The Twenty-seventh Day of April, Two Thousand Twenty-Five Ten O' Clock

Pastor — Rev. Richard Owens Associate Pastor – Rev. Josh Reagan

It is in worship, through the preaching, the singing, and the sacraments, that our hearts are drawn from other "beauties" as our eyes are opened to see Iesus for who He really is.

Welcome and Announcements

Introit - "Refiner"

If the altar's where you meet us, take me there, take me there What you need is just an offering, it's right here, my life is here And I'll be a living sacrifice for you

You're a fire, the refiner, I wanna be consumed

I wanna be tried by fire, purified, You take whatever you desire Lord here's my life

If your glory wants to come in, let it fall, we want it all Lord your fire is consuming, fill this place, set it ablaze I'll be a living sacrifice for you

You're a fire, the refiner, I wanna be consumed

I wanna be tried by fire, purified, You take whatever you desire Lord here's my life

Clean my hands, purify my heart, I wanna burn for you, only for You Take my life as a sacrifice, I wanna burn for you, only for You

Call to Worship - (From Amos 1 and Psalm 79)

Pastor—The Lord roars from Zion and utters his voice from Jerusalem; People—Let the groans of the prisoners come before you; according to your great power, preserve those doomed to die!

Pastor-Oh come, let us worship and bow down; People—Let us kneel before the Lord our maker!

Pastor—We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. People—Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Pastor and People-Give thanks to Him; for the Lord is good and his steadfast love endures forever!

#Hymn – "All Things New Again"

For behold, he will create a new heavens and new earth He will drive away our sorrow and our pain And this momentary grief, though heavy as it seems Will be crushed by glory's great eternal weight

(Chorus)

He will make all things new again; He will keep all his promises He will love all who come to him; He will make all things new again

For behold, the sun will rise over wastelands dead and dry In its place shall spring a river full of life Every wrong will be undone, every thirsty soul shall come And drink from living water without price (Chorus)

For behold, the holy mountain where the wolf and lamb shall graze Where we lay our heads and finally find our home Where the songs we sang in shadows will be sung to God's own face Where his smile will be the thing we treasure most (Chorus) ©2021 Joe Deegan, Words and Music by Joe Deegan

Prayer of Invocation

Sacrament of Baptism: Wendell Graham Hinckley, son of Derek and Elizabeth Hinckley

#Hymn No. 189 - "Jesus Loves Me" Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 24Roger Day 24 The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, ² for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. ³Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? ⁴He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. ⁵He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. ⁶Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. ⁷Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. ⁸Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! 9Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. ¹⁰ Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

#Hymn No. 585 - "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

New Testament Reading and Congregational Prayer

Titus 2:11-14; James 4:8-10.....Rev. Josh Reagan

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

James 4:8-10 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

‡Words of Assurance (Heidelberg Catechism #60)

Pastor: How are you righteous before God?

Congregation: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of them, and I am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.

Offertory Prayer

±Hymn – "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" Wonderful merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend. Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men. Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor Comforter Keeper. Spirit we long to embrace. You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way. Oh we hopelessly lost the way.

Chorus

Almighty infinite Father faithfully loving Your own. Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne. Oh we're falling before Your throne. (Chorus) CCLI Song # 106879 | ©1989 Dayspring Music, LLC (a div. of Word Music Group, Inc.) | Word Music, LLC (a div. of Word Music Group, Inc.)

Children's Moment Q. 130. What sign is used in baptism? A. Washing with water. Q. 131. What does this washing with water represent? A. That we are united to Christ and cleansed from sin by his blood.

5 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saving: ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. 5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. 7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. 8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. 9"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Sermon: "The Blessed Life, Part 6" Rev. Richard Owens

‡Hymn No. 501 - "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" Just as I am, without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come. I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, to Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come. I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God I come. I come.

‡Benediction [‡]Congregation standing

You are the One that we praise. You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for. Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Children dismissed for Little Worship at this time (K4 - K5)

Reading of the Holy Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come. I come.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, April 27

8:30 a.m. Music Team Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Prayer in the Church Office
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Rev. Richard Owens
Little Worship: Matthew and Sarah Waldrop Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Youth Night at the Reagan's

Wednesday, April 30

5:30 p.m. Mid-Week Meal and Study

Thursday, May 1

6:30 a.m. "Larger for Life" Men's Breakfast

Sunday, May 4

Music Team Rehearsal
Prayer in the Church Office
Morning Worship: Rev. Josh Reagan
Little Worship: Derek and Elizabeth Hinckley
First Sunday Feast and Senior Sunday
Deacon's Meeting
Georgia Hart Smit's Baby Shower

Announcements:

Dinners for Eight: We are happy to renew Dinners for Eight this year. More information to come in future bulletins.

Youth Night: Youth Night at the Reagan's meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month.

Women's Book Club: The book Club will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20th at the home of Diane Finnegan. The book for May is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi.

Baby Shower: Georgia Hart Smit's baby shower will be on Sunday, May 4th at 2:00 pm at the home of Beth Barger, 210 East Cleveland Avenue. Georgia Hart is registered at Sprout and Babylist.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for This Week:

Birthdays: Hannah Grace Hodges 04/27; Hal Coleman 04/28; Craig Rozier 04/28; Hannah Bush 04/29; Miller Downing 04/29; Beth Barger 05/01; James Shackelford 05/03

Anniversaries: Brent and Danielle Morgan 04/30

Worship & Wonder Devotional Podcast: *Worship & Wonder* is a daily, devotional podcast. You can listen on the WPC website, WPC app, or other places where podcasts can be found. For more information, please visit <u>www.wpcgreenwood.org/worship-wonder</u>

Mission of the Month: Westminster's Mission of the Month for April is Brian and Mandy Stock. Please pray for all who are involved in this ministry.

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April Usher Team

***Peyton and Catherine Fandel** Ray and Karen Archer Josh and Christina Reagan Jonah and Elijah Reagan Mikhail and Portia Collins Chris and Hannah Branson Dylan Branson Heath and Katie Pugh

<u>May Usher Team</u>

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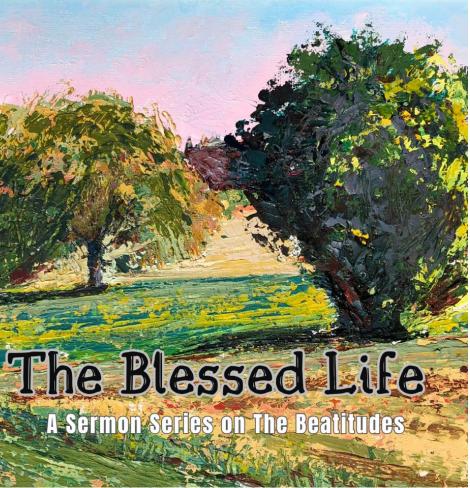
<u>K4/K5</u> Peyton and Catherine Fandel, Trey and Elizabeth O'Brien

> <u>1st/2nd</u> Matthew and Sarah Waldrop Tyler and Gray Blocker Mary and James Shackleford

<u>3rd-5th</u> John and Tracy Patridge Alex and Hannah Bush Mischa McCray and Selena Nause



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