
A Glance at the Week

Monday

7:00 am Men's Discussion (Zoom)

6:30 pm Small Group (Zoom)

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Looking Ahead

Galatians— Freedom, Family, Gospel

02/06/22	Heart of Gospel	2:10-16
02/13/22	Not I who Live	2:14-21
02/20/22	Spiritual Power	3:1-10
02/27/22	Law & Promise	3:10-22
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Randolph Heights Presbyterian Church

435 Hamline Ave. South
Saint Paul, MN 55105

February 20, 2021

9:30am Discussion

10:30am Worship

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We are glad you're here!

This is a community which strives to worship and serve God together. Within this community, people freely explore their personal questions about God and the Bible. It's together that we can better learn the breadth and depth of the Gospel and how it works out in our lives. Then, through the grace and hope of the gospel, we serve those in need and work together towards a thriving community.

This program is organized under five headings as described below:

Gathering: We remember God of Creation. The creator is amazing, perfect, powerful, good and is worthy of our worship and praise. This helps center and prepare our hearts for a time of worship.

Confession and Renewal reminds us that this world is not as God originally intended it. We express our grief and sorrow over the brokenness of this world and of our own lives. Our need for grace never goes away, and it is only by faith in Jesus that we can be made right with God. Within these words of renewal we recognize the truth that God's redemption of his people has been accomplished in Jesus.

Thanksgiving is our response to the redemptive plan of God. It is also an opportunity to express our thanks tangibly.

Ministry of the Word is expressed through reading our scripture passage for the day, listening to the Word preached, and responding with words of prayer from the congregation.

The **Benediction** is a good word to be sent out on.

We encourage you to spend some time before the service begins and note how it flows. You are also encouraged to take this bulletin with you to use for personal devotional time throughout the week.

Scripture Reading: Galatians 3:1-5

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified. I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard?

Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh? Have you experienced so much in vain – if it really was in vain? So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?

L This is the Word of the Lord.

A Thanks be to God!

BENEDICTION

- L God has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
~ from Micah 6:8, NIV

**Life in the Body*

Send Out

- L 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 peace. – Numbers 6:24-26, NIV

A Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus Christ, there is nothing I can do that would make you love me more, and nothing I have done that makes you love me less. Your presence and approval are all I need for everlasting joy. As you have been to me, so I will be to others. As I pray, I'll measure your compassion by the cross and your power by the resurrection. Amen.

Reflections

Today, we think that each person must find his or her own way of being spiritual, something that is comfortable to that person; each spirituality is particular to each person. [But God] is not there to conform to us; He summons us from outside of ourselves to know him. We do not go inside of ourselves to find him.... He is not known on our terms. This summons is heard in and through his Word. It is not heard through our intuitions.

~ David F. Wells, 1939- , Professor/ Author, Gordon-Conwell Seminary

In the gospel do we so behold God as that we may love God. It is there, and there only, where God stands revealed as an object of confidence to sinners – and where our desire after Him is not chilled into apathy by that barrier of human guilt.

~ Thomas Chalmers (1780-1847), Scottish minister and professor

It should encourage us to duty that Christ will not quench the smoking flax, but blow on it till it flames. ~ Richard Sibbes (1577-1635), Anglican Theologian

But this is an age for spiritual heroes- a time for men and women to be heroic in their faith and in spiritual character and power. The greatest danger to the Christian church today is that of pitching its message too low.

~ Dallas Willard, 1935-2013, Philosopher, Author

PRELUDE

Micah 6:6 – With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God?

All Sing: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great – Thou – art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

Call to Worship *(from Psalm 18&47:2)*

- L LORD, you are my strength, O LORD! I will sing praise to your name,
O Most High.
- A *The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety. I called on the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and he saved me from my enemies.*
- L Then the earth quaked and trembled. The foundations of the mountains shook; they quaked, Smoke poured from his nostrils; fierce flames leaped from his mouth. Glowing coals blazed forth from him. He opened the heavens and came down; dark storm clouds were beneath his feet.
- A *The LORD thundered from heaven; the Most High's voice resounded. He reached down from heaven and rescued me; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High. I will be glad and exult in you!*

Pastoral Prayer

- L God Calls us to be a praying people. Let us join in prayer, offering our praise, thanksgiving, and intercession to God.

Open Petition

After each petition the Leader will say:

- L Lord in your mercy
A *Hear our prayer. (Response from Congregation)*

~or~

- L *Let us Give God Thanks*
A *We give You thanks O Lord.*

- L May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Romans 15:13

The Lord's Table *(Offered 1st Sunday of Month)*

Invitation to the Table

L This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God. When our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

A *We receive this food gladly, believing, as we eat, that Jesus is our lifegiving food and drink and that he will come again to call us to the wedding feast of the Lamb.*

Prayer of Thanks

A *Almighty God, Source of all life and love,
we live in your world, which you are always
creating and sustaining by your power,
You have so made us that we can know and love you,
trust and serve you.*

*We give you thanks, that you loved the world so much
that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him
may not die but have eternal life. Amen.*

Words of institution

L The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 Cor 11:23-26, NIV

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Adoration *(followed by Lord's Prayer)*

L Blessed are you, Lord God. In your wisdom you have made all creation to worship you. You call us to worship you now in this time and place, in unity with prophets, martyrs, and saints from all times and places. As we worship, we pray that you will quiet our hearts, that we may hear your voice in your Word. You are God, who stirs our hearts, that we may more faithfully follow Jesus. You are God, that you will be glorified by the praise and prayers we offer you. We praise you this morning in the name of Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Spirit is one God, blessed forever. Amen.

A *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*

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

Jeff Koonce, 2013

Henry Lyte, 1834



Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet thy
Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers
Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble
An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him



tri - bute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress; praise him still the same for ev - er,
frame he knows; in his hand he gent - ly bears us,
face to face; sun and moon, bow down be - fore him,



ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - - ia, al - le - lu -
slow to chide and swift to bless:
res - cues us from all our foes.
dwel - lers all in time and space.



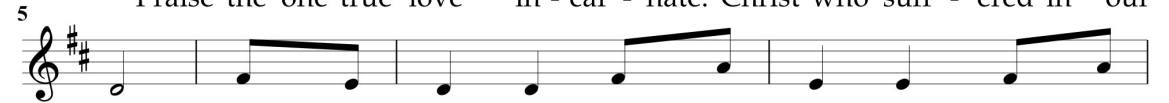
- ia! Al - le - lu - - ia, Praise the e - ver - last - ing King
Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Praise with us the God of grace.

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Rusty Edwards



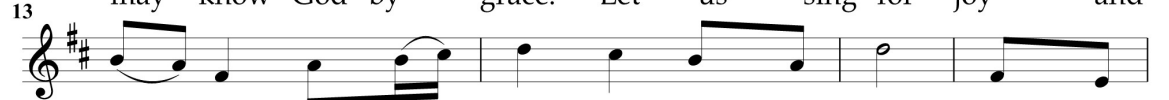
Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er - a - ting
Praise the one who blessed the child - ren With a strong yet gen - tle
Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ who suff - ered in our



light. Praise the one who frees the pris - oners, Turn - ing
word. Praise the one who drove out de - mons With a
place. Je - sus died and rose for man - y That we



blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the one who preached the
pierc - ing two - edged sword. Praise the one who brings cool
may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



King - dom, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand. From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done. Praise the



storms and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y bread of peace.
well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quen - ching thirst in ev - 'ry land.
one re - deem - ing glo - ry, Praise the One who makes us one.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Scripture Galatians 3:1-5 (found on Page 15)
Series Galatians Series—New Life—New Freedom
Sermon Spiritual Power

Profession of Faith

L Now, as you publicly declare your faith, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith in which you were baptized.

A *This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.*

*We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. –*

~ based on Matthew 16:16; Mark 16:9; John 20:28; 1 Corinthians 15:1-6; Revelation 22:13

CONFESSION & RENEWAL

L When we gather to praise God, we remember that we are people who have preferred our wills to his. Accepting his power to become new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

A *Merciful God,
you made us in your image,
with a mind to know you,
a heart to love you,
and a will to serve you.
But our knowledge is imperfect,
our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete.
Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.
In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ,
our Lord. Amen.*

Silent and Personal Confession

WORDS OF RENEWAL

L Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of your possession? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in showing clemency. He will again have compassion upon us; he will tread our iniquities under foot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and unswerving loyalty to Abraham, as you have sworn to our ancestors from the days of old. – *Micah 7:18-20, NRSV*

A *Thanks be to God!*

Zion (Isaiah 12:1-6)

Stephen Wozny

You will say on that day: I will give thanks to the
 Be - hold, my God is sal - va - tion; I will not be - a -
 Lord, Though you were an - gry with me, Your
 - fraid; The Lord, my God, is my song; I will
 an - ger turned a - way, and you com - fort - ed me.
 sing of all He's done, and make ev - ry - thing known.
 So give thanks to the Lord, and call on His name,
 Shout, and sing for joy, all you daugh - ters of Zi - on,
 He is with you now, the Son of God. He is with you now,
 the Son of God.

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Doxology

I will sing His Name! I will sing His Name! For
 all the world and ev - ry one sing his name I will sing His
 Name! For all the world and ev - ry one.

*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.*

Prayer of Dedication

*A Lord, we thank for Your faithfulness.
 Thank you that we can always trust in You.
 You are an abundant God and out of your great kindness
 you have given us so much.*

*We give you this offering today, and with it we also give ourselves.
 Use this congregation, for your kingdom and your glory.
 Extend and multiply its reach and influence we pray.
 And may we be a great blessing to many. Amen.*