

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday

Prelude

Meditation Verse

Psalm 91:1-4, ESV

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I trust."

For He will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

Service of Worship

Welcome

Come Let Us Worship Our God

Call to Worship

Ephesians 5: 18b-20, ESV

But be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Songs of Praise

"Lamb of God"

White Songbook #19

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

White Songbook #107

"Shout To The Lord"

White Songbook # 16

Prayer of Adoration

For the Old Testament readings, we are today reading from the Book of Zechariah.

Responsive Scripture Reading

Zechariah 9:9-11, ESV

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

People: Behold, your King is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He,

Leader: humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

People: I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem;

Leader: and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations.

People: His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

Leader: As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

ALL: I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Hymn of Adoration

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Red Hymnal # 235

For the New Testament readings, we are currently reading through the Book of Romans.

Romans 7: 5-11, ESV

For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.

What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies

dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me

Call to Confession

Daniel 9:18-19

O my God, incline Your ear and hear. Open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by Your name. For we do not present our pleas before You because of our righteousness, but because of Your great mercy. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for Your own sake, O my God, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Assurance

“My Faith Has Found A Resting Place”

Red Hymnal #468

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Doxology

Red Hymnal #731

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Hymn of Dedication**

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

Red Hymnal # 194

Hear the Word of the Lord

Sermon Text

Matthew 1: 1-17, ESV

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. ² Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of

Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, ³ and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram, ⁴ and Ram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, ⁵ and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, ⁶ and Jesse the father of David the king.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, ⁷ and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, ⁸ and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, ⁹ and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, ¹⁰ and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, ¹¹ and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

¹² And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, ¹³ and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, ¹⁴ and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, ¹⁵ and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, ¹⁶ and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.

¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

Sermon

Dave Durant

“Jesus Christ, the Son of David”

Outline

Introduction: Matthew begins his gospel by giving the genealogical proof that Jesus is the Son of David

A. The Messiah that the Jews expected

1. God promised Abraham a descendant who would be a blessing to them and to all nations – Gen. 12:2-3
2. God promised David a son whose kingdom and throne would last forever – 2Sam. 7:12-13
3. Jews expected military victories and material prosperity

B. The unexpected Messiah of Matthew's gospel – 1Cor. 1:25

1. Christ's blessing is spiritual rather than material
2. Christ's kingdom is not of this world, but of heaven; upheld not by the threat of the law, but by the forgiveness of grace
3. Jesus came not to rule but to serve; not to trample sinners underfoot, but to raise them up on high

C. The unexpected living God

1. He loves His enemies by saving sinners through the cross of His Son
2. His righteousness is fulfilled through love, not through the application of justice (Rom. 10:13)
3. God gave His Spirit to live in those who killed His Son – Acts 2:24-38

Responding to the Fathers Love

*Hymn of Response

“How Great Thou Art”

Red Hymnal #44

*Benediction

Praying for the Body

Health Concerns

Church: Sharon Benz, Tom Criss, Delora Howerton, Jan Stacey,
and Ardyce Stevens

Relatives: Terry Sipes’s brother, Rusty Ray

General

Unsaved in our families

Our Session, Deacons, and Church Staff

State and National government officials

Active Military

Those serving in the military

Church Ministries

Sunday School and Children’s Bible Time

Missions

Dan Faber (IXO - International Exchange Organization) -

- Our senior staff at IXO have been extremely busy taking care of all of our sixty-some people, projects and partnerships during this Coronavirus crisis. Some of our missionaries were traveling when the travel bans were initiated so we are having to help them get set-up temporarily in other countries. Most of our people are continuing their ministries virtually by calling, emailing and live-streaming. One of our Chinese couples is in Pennsylvania ministering all night each night because of the 12-hour time difference with China.

- Pray for A., a psychologist who runs several Christian Counseling centers in China. She is counseling her counselors who are overwhelmed by the masses of people who cannot deal with the isolation and death. Her husband D. is a pastor and seminary Dean; he is up all night counseling and encouraging pastors all over China. Suicides have increased dramatically in the past month even with members of the church. We think our self-isolation is difficult; consider what it has been like to have the doors of your apartment welded shut or an entire 20 story apartment building sealed off.
- In Athens, Greece our Iranian ministry has hundreds of people coming to the church for food and Bibles. Please keep us, our staff, ministry leaders, pastors, and our brothers and sisters in Christ in China and Greece in your prayers during this difficult time.

Ken Scheffter & Butch Lantz (Frederick Rescue Mission) -

- Praise that over a dozen men have expressed interest in participating in the community "Biblical Manhood" Bible study "trial", and the Lord has revealed two possible locations to be investigated "post-isolation".
- Pray that God will draw to Himself and save the men in the Changed Life Recovery Program that do not yet know Christ as Lord and Savior.

Special Needs

- Please pray for the Zeher family as they mourn Mike's father's death. Martha's father has been released from the hospital and is at home doing well.
- Please pray for Cornerstone Academy's faculty and families as they transition to continuing the students' education in an online setting. Also, pray for their financial needs to be met during this time of hardship.
- Please pray for residents and employees of the Pleasant View Nursing Home in Mt Airy, as so many have become infected with the Coronavirus.
- Praise God for the successful bypass surgery for Craig McFarland, Mac and Carole's son, this past Thursday! Mac and Carole thank you for their prayers.

Announcements

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the following changes to our church calendar have been made: (updates or new announcements indicated with *)

- Corporate worship services have been suspended, and an online worship service is available in its place on the church website (www.mtairypca.org).
- * There will be no Maundy Thursday service this year, but a message will be given and posted on our website. More details will be forthcoming.
- Choir and Grace Notes practices have been suspended until further notice.

- Youth group meetings have been suspended until further notice.
- There will be no Hymn Sing at the Pleasant View Nursing home this month.
- There will be no Men's Breakfast and Bible Study this month.
- There will be no Woodbine, Lisbon, Glenwood, Mt. Airy, or Family small group meeting until further notice.
- * Mainly music has cancelled the spring session in its entirety.

We will contact you with updates to this list as they become available; please let us know if you have any changes to make to this current list.

Look on our website for **Pastor Jerry's "A Weekly Word."** (www.mtairypca.org)

Online weekly prayer meetings are taking place using the Zoom app/ program. Everyone should have received an email invitation to join us. If you have not received one, or if you have received an invitation but are unsure of how to begin the process of joining, please contact the church office. Although an email invitation is necessary, you may actually participate using a regular phone as well as other electronic devices.

For worship this Sunday, a printed "bulletin" to aid you during the online worship service will be provided; more information about this will be sent to you later this week. A print version of the sermon will also be available: please contact the church office if you would like us to provide you with a copy.

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner, June 29-July 3, 2020. If you are willing to help out in any way, please contact Vicki Olson or Colleen Cagle. We'd love to have our youth volunteer as well! This is a great outreach opportunity to our community as well as a wonderful time of fun and learning for our church family's own children; please be in prayer about how you can be of service!

Missions and Missionaries

International Missionaries

Larry & Sandy Rockwell	Peru (MTW)
Roberta Brown	Japan (MTW)
Pamyla Burrack	Germany (MTW)
Marcus & Bethany Gadson	England (Serge)
Matt & Tara	West Africa (MTW)
Dan Faber	China (IXO)
Craig & Ree Coulbourne	Japan (MTW)
Garry & Anita Chambers	Belize (MTW)

Matt & Ellen Zell
 Adam & Michelle Cain
 Jon & Olya Powell
 Kirk and Anna Norris
 Johnny & Annette Johnson
 Barb & Ken Scheffter

Honduras (Equip Intl)
 Honduras (MTW)
 Ukraine (MTW)
 Ukraine (MTW)
 Czech Republic (MTW)
 PAC Ministry (MTW)

Local Missions

English as a Second Language
 Frederick Rescue Mission
 Reformed University Fellowship

Mt. Airy, MD
 Arnold Farlow, Frederick, MD
 Chris Garriott, UMD

Short Term Missions

Belize
 Peru
 Ukraine

Ernest Betson, Unity Presbyterian Church
 Larry & Sandy Rockwell
 Powell/ Norris

General Fund Financial Report			
Last Week's Giving	Weekly Budget Goal	Year to Date Giving	Year to Date Budget Goal
\$8,745.00	\$8,791.59	\$69,801.72	\$114,290.67
Building Fund Weekly Financial Report			
Original Loan Amount	Last Week's Giving	Year to Date Giving	Loan Balance*
\$1,600,000	\$400.00	\$2,370.00	\$179,776.16

All offerings to the Building Fund are applied directly to the loan principal.

**Balance amounts are as of preceding month's end.*

Ordained Leaders at MAPC:

Pastor

Dave Durant

Assistant Pastor

Jerry Maguire

Ruling Elders

Pete Brophy, Jeff Cagle, Barry Downey,
John Horst, Gregg Moore, Mike Zeher

Deacons

Denis Brady, Tom Criss,
Joshua Davie, Ken Hohl, Jamie Moore

Church Staff:

Administrative Assistant- Janet Geary

Assistant to the Pastor and Deaconate- Ken Wilhelm

Bookkeeper- Pat Moore

Choir Director- Barb Scheffter

Ministry Leaders:

Christian Education Committee- Barry Downey

Children's Bible Time- Jessica Davis

ESL ministry- Ken Hohl

mainly music[©]- Hal Ball

MAPC Homeschool Umbrella- Kathy Durant and Janet Geary

Missions Committee- Ken Hohl

Nursery- Colleen Cagle and Stefanie Esbrandt

Sunday School Coordinator- Becky Wiggin

Vacation Bible School- Colleen Cagle and Vicki Olson

Women's Ministries- Sharon Benz and Kathy Durant

Worship Committee- Pete Brophy

Youth Group -Emily Benz and Jamie Moore

A complete list of ministry leaders is available in the front of the church directory.