

March 22, 2020

Prelude

Meditation Verse

Psalm 46:1-2, ESV

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the
mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Service of Worship

Welcome

Come Let Us Worship Our God

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-2, ESV

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love
endures forever! Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He has
redeemed from trouble.

Songs of Praise

“I Will Call Upon the Lord”

White Songbook #59

“By Faith”

White Songbook #99

“In Christ Alone”

White Songbook # 10

Prayer of Adoration

For the Old Testament readings, we are currently reading through the Book of Psalms.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 73, ESV

Leader: Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.

People: But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped.

Leader: For I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

People: For they have no pangs until death; their bodies are fat and sleek.

Leader: They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind.

People: Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment.

Leader: Their eyes swell out through fatness; their hearts overflow with follies.

People: They scoff and speak with malice; loftily they threaten oppression.

Leader: They set their mouths against the heavens, and their tongue struts through the earth.

People: Therefore his people turn back to them, and find no fault in them.

Leader: And they say, "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?"

People: Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches.

Leader: All in vain have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence.

People: For all the day long I have been stricken and rebuked every morning.

Leader: If I had said, "I will speak thus," I would have betrayed the generation of your children.

People: But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task,

Leader: until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end.

People: Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to ruin.

Leader: How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors!

People: Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when You rouse yourself, You despise them as phantoms.

Leader: When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart,

People: I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward You.

Leader: Nevertheless, I am continually with You; You hold my right hand.

People: You guide me with Your counsel, and afterward You will receive me to glory.

Leader: Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides You.

People: My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Leader: For behold, those who are far from You shall perish; You put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to You.

ALL: But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all Your works.

Hymn of Adoration

"O For a Thousand Tongues To Sing"

Red Hymnal # 164

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

Scripture Reading

Romans 6:15-23, ESV

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because

of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord..

Call to Confession

Psalm 25:8-10

Good and upright is the Lord;

therefore He instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right,

and teaches the humble His way.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,

for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Assurance

“Jesus, What A Friend for Sinners”

Red Hymnal #498

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn of Dedication

“To God Be the Glory”

Red Hymnal # 55

Hear the Word of the Lord

Sermon Text

Galatians 6:6-10, ESV

Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Sermon

Dave Durant

“Sowing by Doing Good” Gal. 6:6-10

Introduction: The true gospel, which is about God and His work of salvation, leads to our doing good works (Eph. 2:10), as we walk in step with the Spirit (Gal. 5:25).

A. The work of supporting good teaching in the church - v. 6

1. The Galatians were in need of good teaching (see also Timothy 5:17-18)
2. They had heard the lie that they could sow the works of the flesh by keeping the Law, and then reap eternal life from them
3. God is not mocked: whatever you sow, that you will reap - v.7

B. The choice for the Christian

1. Sow to the flesh and reap corruption
 - a. Our effort to achieve righteousness by the law is sowing to the flesh, and it leads only to more sin
 - b. Ignoring God's law by following sinful desires is also sowing to the flesh
 - c. The corruption of the soul is experienced often as a growing sense of emptiness and isolation

2. Sow to the Spirit and reap eternal life
 - a. Acting on our faith in Christ is sowing to the Spirit
 - b. The beginning of doing any good work comes from the desire to please and honor God
 - c. Doing good is our doing what the love God in us would have us do
 - d. Christ left us an example that we should not give up
 - e. From the Spirit we reap the life of God both now and in the life to come (Eph. 3:17-19)

Responding to the Father's Love

Hymn of Response

"How Firm A Foundation"

Red Hymnal #94

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-
College students

Church Ministries

Pleasant View Nursing Home and Youth Programs

Missions

Roberta Brown (MTW Japan) -

- Continue to pray that neighbors Mrs. M, Mrs. Y, and Mrs. K, would understand God's deep love for them this year. Pray for Mr. & Mrs. Y. to question their Buddhist upbringing and seek the creator God who made them.
- Pray for the Open House students this month that God would continue to work in their lives and draw them to Himself even as classes are cancelled due to the corona virus. Pray that I would creatively keep in touch with each student and love and encourage them.
- Pray I may have an ongoing deep relationship with God and an ability to communicate His love with others.

Larry & Sandy Rockwell (MTW Huaraz and Yanama, Peru) -

- Huallcor (why-core) is a village where we have been going for many years. We have taken numerous medical and VBS teams there and have recently begun going there again every week. Praise God that recently, there has seemed to be a real interest from some of the people there to hear from the Scriptures in Quechua. Please pray specifically for Rufino, Nikolas and Jefferson, as well as in general for the people of this community.

- Please pray for a young woman named, Karina. She is the mother of three children, 13, 11, and 8 (?). Praise God that she has recently recommitted her life to Christ.
- Please continue to pray for Sandy's English class in Collahuasi; it has been going well. With each theme she ties in a Scripture lesson

Special Needs

- God is opening the door to start a "Biblical Manhood" Bible study for men in addiction recovery who are "graduates" from formal recovery programs. Please pray that God will provide a place for the meetings to be held and for men who are willing to commit to this 12-week trial study.
- Please pray for Cornerstone Academy's faculty and families as they anticipate the possibility of transitioning to an online program. Also pray for their financial needs to be met during the closure of schools.

Announcements

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the following changes to our church calendar have been made:

- Worship services have been suspended indefinitely.
- 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, or Family small group meetings until further notice.
- Mainly music will not be meeting again until April 14.

We will contact you with updates to this list as they become available; please let us know if you have anything to add to our list.

A print version of Sunday's sermon is available: please contact the church office if you would like us to provide you with a copy.

Mary Sue Forman's March 19th eye surgery was canceled and will be rescheduled. She is thankful for the prayers and will let us know the new date.

Spring has come and the grass is growing!!! Volunteers are needed for the upcoming mowing season. A schedule will be created with two mowers serving each week on a rotating basis. With the number of teams we've had in the past, this should only commit anyone to once a month. The season generally runs for late

March/early April to late October/early November depending on the weather conditions. Please contact Mac McFarland at 301-703-5251 or cartercarole1955@gmail.com if you're willing to assist.

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.

2020 Fairmont Missions Team Forming: Our church has registered a Missions Team with Dayspring Camp and Conference Center, Inc. near Fairmont, WV, to serve the Lord this coming June 20-27. We hope you will prayerfully consider joining the team to share in this exciting and rewarding "Word and Deed" outreach ministry! It is well suited for high school/middle school ages, families with children of those ages, as well as adults. Lord willing, we will be helping a local homeowner with needed repairs, ministering with God's Word and music at local nursing homes, sharing the Gospel, and building relationships. Other ministries, such as VBS, Backyard Bible Clubs, tutoring, and one-on-one evangelism are possible if the Lord raises up the laborers for our team! If you would like to join the team, please notify Ken Scheffter (301-512-8064) by March 15th. Preparatory monthly team meetings will commence in late March.

Directory corrections: Please make the following corrections in the most recent printing of the church directory:

- Annie Brady's email address is ohms61@comcast.net
 - Marg Maguire does not have 2 birthdays. ☺ Her correct birthday is April 3.
- Please cross out the other listed birthday of September 15.

Also, just a reminder that you may request an additional copy by contacting the church office.

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	Honduras (Equip Intl)
Adam & Michelle Cain	Honduras (MTW)
Jon & Olya Powell	Ukraine (MTW)
Kirk and Anna Norris	Ukraine (MTW)
Johnny & Annette Johnson	Czech Republic (MTW)
Barb & Ken Scheffter	PAC Ministry (MTW)

Local Missions

English as a Second Language	Mt. Airy, MD
Frederick Rescue Mission	Arnold Farlow, Frederick, MD
Reformed University Fellowship	Chris Garriott, UMD

Short Term Missions

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

General Fund Financial Report			
Last Week's Giving	Weekly Budget Goal	Year to Date Giving	Year to Date Budget Goal
\$100.00	\$8,791.59	\$58,066.72	\$96,707.49
Building Fund Weekly Financial Report			
Original Loan Amount	Last Week's Giving	Year to Date Giving	Loan Balance*
\$1,600,000	\$0.00	\$1,770.00	\$180,626.16

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 Davis, 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