

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Reflection and Meditation

Linda Runkles

-Psalm 5, Geneva Psalter (1539)

Call to Worship

Psalm 62:10-12

*Gathering Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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Confession of Faith

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

-Heidelberg Catechism Q. 21

Confession of Sin

Merciful God, in Your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sins of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves. We cling to fleeting treasures. We set up idols in our heart. We are a people who are at enmity with one another; neighbor is set against neighbor, and nation against nation. We choose to harbor bitterness rather than forgiveness, gossip instead of glory. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free from the bondage of sin and death that we may serve You with our whole heart, to Your glory and praise. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 1:18

Invocation

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson. Music: Christopher Miner

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

Cornerstone

Edward Mote | Eric Liljero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Bradbury

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name!

(1st time-repeat verse)

(2nd time-chorus)

Chorus

Christ alone Cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

Verse 2

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil!
(chorus)

Verse 3

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless, stand before the throne
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless I stand before the throne!
(chorus)

*Reading of Scripture

Luke 5:27-39

- ²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And he said to him, "Follow me." ²⁸ And leaving everything, he rose and followed him.
- ²⁹ And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. ³⁰ And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ³² I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." ³³ And they said to him, "The disciples of John fast often and offer

prayers, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink." ³⁴ And Jesus said to them, "Can you make wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? ³⁵ The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days." ³⁶ He also told them a parable: "No one tears a piece from a new garment and puts it on an old garment. If he does, he will tear the new, and the piece from the new will not match the old. ³⁷ And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. ³⁸ But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. ³⁹ And no one after drinking old wine desires new, for he says, "The old is good."

[Children ages 4-2nd grade are dismissed for Wonders of Worship (Children's Church) with Denise Madden & Maxine Saylor]

For children who are restless and vocal, please make use of the Cry Room in the back of the Old Sanctuary or the nursery downstairs.

Shepherding Prayer

Elder Michael Anderson

Offertory

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem Louis Benson, R Vaughan Williams Choir

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Sermon The Clean Followers Pastor Nathan

*Hymn of Response

Arise My Soul, Arise

Charles Wesley, Kevin Twit

Arise my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears; The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears Before the throne my surety stands, Before the throne my surety stands, My name is written on His hands.

Chorus

Arise, (arise), arise, (arise), arise, arise my soul arise Arise, (arise), arise, (arise), arise, arise my soul arise Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

Verse 2

He ever lives above for me to intercede,
His all redeeming love His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. (chorus)

Verse 3

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me; Forgive him, O forgive, they cry, Forgive him, O forgive, they cry, Don't let that ransomed sinner die! (chorus)

Verse 4

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear; He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear; With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry! (chorus)

*Benediction

*Hymn of Glory

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

*Postlude

Worship Leaders

Reverend Nathan Moretto

Mr. Ron Smith, Music Director Mr. David Tracht, Music Director

Mrs. Susan Smith, Choir Director Mrs. Linda Runkles, Organist

Mr. Chuck Mitchell, Pianist

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The Elders welcome the opportunity to meet you, talk with you or pray for you after church. They will be stationed by the Communion Table following the service.

SERMON QUESTIONS

- 1. What makes a person unclean in the sight of God? What makes them clean?
- 2. Why did Jesus choose someone like Levi as His disciple, when he was despised by the world and unclean?
- 3. How is the New Covenant 'new?' How is it, in a sense, still 'old?' How does the New fit into the Old?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Pastors

Pastor Barry is not here today because he is filling in for a vacationing pastor at Loch Raven PCA.

Membership Class

Our Membership Class starts on April 28 and will go for 7 weeks, ending on June 9th. It will take place during the Sunday school hour at 9:30am. Please contact Steve Madden at sbyronm@gmail.com for further details and if you are planning on attending the class.

Men's/Women's Prayer

Join us for prayer every Sunday morning from 9:00 am-9:20 am in the Fellowship Hall. Men's prayer is led by Pastor Nathan and the Women's prayer is led by Lynnda Bird.

Acts 2:42 Small Group

This Sunday the Acts 2:42 small group is meeting at **Freedom Park** at 1801 Buttercup Road after church. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship. If you have any questions please contact Jesse Harlan 443-854-5519. (If it rains we will meet downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.)

Children's Choir Rehearsals

Right after worship today, Children's Choir will meet in the choir room for Palm Sunday and Easter. The choir is open to all children ages 4-12. Spread the word to any parents whose children are not already singing with us. Contact Susan Smith at 410-476-7273 or Susang.smith79@gmail.com with any questions.

Church Work Day-Saturday, March 30th.

The Property Committee will be holding a Church Work Day on Saturday, March 30th from 9am-12 pm. There are fallen trees and debris behind the Mission House to cut. We need people to bring their own chainsaws. This is an outdoor event, if it rains, the Work Day will be rescheduled for Saturday, April 6th. Come help us and get free firewood or just help and enjoy the fellowship. Some of the men in the Amen Bible study are planning to stay after to help so if you haven't come to Bible Study yet, this would be a good day to do both. If you have any questions, contact Tom Crone at 410-428-4262.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Presently it would be appreciated if donations of tuna, liquid dish detergent, paper towels and tea are donated. As always thank you to those regular givers. Place donations in the boxes at back of old sanctuary or in the coat room off the main entrance. THANK YOU!

Ladies Of Liberty

Babies, Babies, Babies....Chris & Buck Bohmer are having difficulty with multiplication...you see, their family is growing very quickly. Heidi & Thomas had their sweet little Meredith this past fall. Now Chris & Buck are proud to share that their daughters, Lauren Partlow and Kelly Thomas, are both expecting their first child this coming summer...at the same time! Wow! Since Lauren and Keith live in upper New York, we wanted to find a way to "Shower" Lauren and Kelly so they can both attend each other's Shower. We hope that you will be able to join us for one of the Celebrations!

We are planning a <u>Friend & Family Double Shower</u> for both Mommas ...many of you

have been a part of both Lauren and Kelly's lives growing up and we hope that you will join us in this "Down Pouring" of love for their growing families.

When: March 30th at 10:00

Where: Liberty Church Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP by March 23rd Hosted by: BASHM Moms

We are also planning a <u>Church Family Shower for Kelly</u> since she and Phill have touched the lives of so many at Liberty Church in recent years. We know there are so many who wish to show their support to Kelly, Phill and their little one!

When: April 27th at 10:00

Where: Liberty Church Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP by 20th

Hosted by: Grandmas, Chris & Sabrina and the Bible Study Group

Note: Gift Registry ideas and RSVP, contact Donna Hancock 410-549-4589 <u>hancockclan87@gmail.com</u>

AMEN BIBLE STUDY

Join us for a weekly men's Bible study taught by Pastor Nathan every Saturday morning. We meet in the sanctuary, with breakfast and coffee provided at 7:15 am. Teaching starts at 7:30 am. Our first study will be the Book of Daniel. Contact Jesse Harlan for more information at jesse.harlan@gmail.com

YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Directors are Phill and Kelly Thomas. Please contact them for more information at office@libertychurchpca.org or if you would like to be added to the email list to find out about Youth Group activities.

Youth Group meets every Sunday from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Block House.

YOUTH SPRING BLAZE

Multi-church youth event coming up **Sat April 6**, **5-9:15 pm**. This event is for 6th - 12th grade.

Where: Good Hope Presbyterian Church 12131 Rt 216, Fulton MD **Talk to Phill and Kelly if you are interested in attending.**

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life campaign of prayer and fasting began on Wednesday, March 5 and ends on April 14. Pray that God will raise up many to pray at Hillcrest in Catonsville and the downtown Planned Parenthood. Pray that many lives will be spared, that abortion workers will leave these jobs, and that those who have been involved with abortion will find forgiveness and new life in Jesus Christ. Signup to pray at these locations at 40daysforlife.com/catonsville.

Please be praying!

Upcoming Movie

The movie "Unplanned" (based on Abby Johnson's book of the same name) will be playing in theaters on March 28 in Regal Hunt Valley and R/C Westminster at 7:00. It will continue to be shown at the Westminster location through April 3rd with numerous showings throughout those days. Although this movie has received an "R" rating for violence, there are no scenes graphic enough to warrant a high school age person to be prevented from seeing it. Keep in mind, in Maryland, girls attending public high school are taken to abortion clinics during the school day without their parents knowledge to have an abortion performed. This movie is an education for all, and encouragement to abortion workers specifically to quit. Abby Johnson, a former Planned Parenthood director, has founded an organization, And Then There Were None (ATTWN), to help workers leave. Going to see this movie will support her organization.

Camp Liberty

Join us this summer for Camp Liberty!

Camp registration is now available on the Liberty Christian School website. Camp Liberty will operate from June 17th through August 23rd and will be available for children 4 years old through 6th grade. We offer engaging activities each week that provide opportunities to draw closer to God, help prevent summer slide, and keep kids active and engaged. Specialty Camp registration will be available soon! These Specialty Camps will be available for children 4th through 8th grade and will include sports, art, fashion, and beginners robotics. Please contact Sarah Crowe at summercamp@libertychristian.us for more information or if you have any questions.

Focus on Missions Harvest USA

We continue our focus on missions our church suppports that primarily serve in our own country. But now we will shift to diaconal missions. Harvest USA brings the truth and mercy of Jesus Christ by helping individuals and families affected by sexual struggles and by providing resources that address biblical sexuality to individuals and churches. They do this by partnering with and equipping the Church in bringing the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to transform the lives of those affected by sexual sin, as well as providing one-on-one discipleship and support groups for men, women, and parents in both its Philadelphia and Pittsburgh offices.

Harvest USA began in 1983 as an outreach ministry in Center City, Philadelphia to care for those affected by the Aids crisis. Founded as a ministry to those particularly struggling with same-sex attraction, Harvest USA has since expanded its outreach to include those who struggle with sexual issues of all types.

Pray for these upcoming conferences at which Harvest USA will be participating:

- The Gender, Sexuality, and What it Means to be Human Conference on March 29 - March 30. This conference is sponsored by The Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals.
- The National Gospel Coalition Conference on April 1 April 3, which will include Biblical teaching about Sexuality.
- Pray that the speakers will clearly, accurately, and lovingly present
 what the Bible says about sexuality and that those struggling with
 these issues will find help.
- Pray that Harvest USA will become more effective in helping those struggling with sexual issues both through their outreach to many local ministries and as they counsel individuals in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.





THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 24		
Men's/Women's Prayer Sunday School for all ages Coffee Fellowship Worship Service Acts 2:42 Small Group CLV Service Youth Group	9:00 am-9:20 am 9:30 am- 10:30 am 10:30 am - 10:45 am 10:45 am - 12:15 pm 12:30 pm 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	FH VP FH SAN OC CLV BH
TUESDAY MARCH 26		
Men's Bible Study at Denny's (Isaiah)	7:00 am 8:30 am	ОС
Ladies Night Out/Bob Evans Battalion at Chapelgate	6:30 pm 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	OC
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27	7	
Prayer Meeting Stockade Pioneer Girls Choir Practice Men's Bible Study (Acts)	6:30 pm-7:00 pm 6:30 pm—8:00 pm 6:30 pm—8:00 pm 7:00 pm–9:00 pm 7:00 pm—8:30 pm	P LCS FH SAN P
THURSDAY, MARCH 28		
Women's Bible Study	7:00 pm– 8:30 pm	FH
SATURDAY, MARCH 30		
AMEN Bible Study Church Work Day Baby Shower	7:30 am 9:00 am– 12:00 pm 10:00 am	SAN MH FH
SUNDAY, MARCH 31		
Men's/Women's Prayer Sunday School for all ages Coffee Fellowship Worship Service Youth Group	9:00 am-9:20 am 9:30 am– 10:30 am 10:30 am - 10:45 am 10:45 am - 12:15 pm 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	FH VP FH SAN BH

FH-Fellowship Hall • P-Parlor• LCS-School • VP-Various Places
SAN-Sanctuary• OS-Old Sanctuary• OC- Off Campus• BH- Block House

SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS

	March 24	March 31
Nursery 9:30 a.m.	Donna Hancock	Lisa Byrd
Combined Nursery 10:30 a.m. Noah's Ark Room	Lynn Smith, Mary Ellen Gannon	Carol & Katie Byrd
Lock-up	Fred Walker, Ben Weinreich	Brian Moran, Don Wheatley
Sound	Joe Kraus	Zach Dugan
Greeters	Oliver & Fiona Dearden	Pat Schlitzer, Mary Ellen Gannon
Usher Team Leader	Geof Smith	

Adult Sunday School Classes			
Jonah	Charles Cate	Fellowship Hall	
Westminster Confession of Faith	Barry Cureton	Parlor	
Ladies Class Deuteronomy	Joyce Klein	Fellowship Hall	

Dates of Interest:
AMEN Bible studyMarch 30
Church Work DayMarch 30
Baby ShowerMarch 30
Men's/Women's PrayerMar 31



Prayer List

For our Church Family and needs in the Body

- Praise that Chuck Klein's heart surgery went well and he is at home recovering. Pray for continued and complete healing.
- Pray for Steven & Becky Vega. The custody trial is scheduled for Friday, April 5th at 9:00 am at the Towson Court House, 401 Bosley Ave, Towson. They would love your show of support at the trial which would be a tremendous encouragement to them. Please plan to attend, if possible. There is also a possibility that the trial will be postponed. If so, they will know by April 2nd, and the Hancocks will send out a notification by email.
- Continue to pray for Nelda Ring.
- Pray for Sarah Kraus (South Korea) and Hannah Cate (China) as they teach English.
- Pray for the leaders of our church.

For Extended Family and Friends

- Pray for Erika Watkins boyfriend, John's mother who has multiple nodules throughout her body-further testing is to be done.
- Pray for Keith Frampton's coworker, Bob who has prostate cancer and is trying to cope with a new treatment. Prayers for comfort and his PSA numbers to go down.
- Pray for Keith Frampton's coworker Jim who has pancreatic cancer and is struggling with the side effects of chemo. Praise that his tumor is shrinking. 2 more months of chemo before radical surgery. Please pray for healing, comfort and his salvation.
- Pray for Kim (Duty) Griffen's sister-in-law, Beth (Griffin) Mueller who is recovering at home with home health care. She faces a long recovery.
- Pray for Yvette Beam's dearest friend, Jeannie, whose cancer has
 reoccurred. She has been hospitalized twice this year with respiratory
 problems and may need a ventilator. She loves the Lord. Please pray for
 her complete physical healing, in His power and mercy.
- Pray for Pastor Jimmy Schwartz, chaplain at CLV, who was seriously injured in a car accident and is in rehab in New Jersey.
- Pray for Elena Kitchen's sister-in-law, Mary, as she undergoes chemotherapy treatments.

Liberty Christian School

• Praise that the LCS Big Night Out fundraiser was a very successful event.

For our Missionaries

• Pray that Harvest USA will become more effective in helping those struggling with sexual issues both through their outreach to many local ministries and as they counsel individuals in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Other Prayer Requests

- Pray that the Lord will bring revival to our country.
- Pray for our National, State, and local leaders (1 Timothy 2:1-3).
- Pray for those around the world who are being persecuted for their faith.
- Pray for first responders- such as firefighters and police, who respond to emergency situations.
- Pray for our soldiers in harm's way and give safe passage to those soldiers traveling.
- Pray for Baltimore city and the end to violence in our city.

Pray for the Persecuted Church in TUNISIA

Open Doors asks for prayer for Halima who is still out on her own after being expelled by her husband. Serious persecution began when her 15year old daughter became a believer like her. Please pray with Halima for a long-term solution.

Small Group Information			
Group	Contact	Phone	Meeting Date
Sykesville	Wheatley	410-549-0730	1st & 3rd Mondays
Reisterstown	Charlotte Crone	410-356-3189	2nd Friday
Randallstown	Cureton	443-756-9777	1st Sunday after Church
Woodstock	Klein	410-655-3753	3rd Friday
Acts 2:42	Harlan	443-854-5519	4th Sunday



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