



LIBERTY

CHURCH, PCA

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

Sunday, April 14, 2019

Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Barry

Ministry Minute

Barbara Hunzeker

Call to Worship

Matthew 21:9

Introit

Hosanna, Hosanna
Stan Pethel

Children's Choir

*Gathering Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Confession of Faith

Q. Is it enough that we do not murder, as stated in the 6th commandment?

A. No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger, God wants us to love our neighbor as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly toward them, to protect them from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies.

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 107

Confession of Sin

Holy God, we have strayed from Your simple commands, to love You, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Forgive us for not being obedient to Your Word. We are empty, and are in need for You to fill us, so that we may overflow with love to others. We are dry, and need Living Water. We are callous, and need Your grace to soften our hearts. Help us by Your Spirit to love as You love, and to show kindness to all, even to our enemies.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalms 36:5-10

Invocation

Please turn off or silence your cell phone.

*Those who are able please stand.

How Deep the Father's Love

Stuart Townend

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son, to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there, until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

²⁷ “But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹ And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. ³² “If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵ But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶ Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

³⁷ “Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

³⁹ He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰ A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. ⁴¹ Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴² How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

Shepherding Prayer

Elder Steve Bird

[Children ages 4-2nd grade are dismissed for Wonders of Worship
(Children’s Church) with Todd & Erin Weitzel]

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.

Offertory

Jesus the King
L. Larson

Choir

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Sermon

True Love

Pastor Nathan

***Hymn of Response**

And Can It Be?

Charles Wesley

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Refrain

*Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?*

He left His Father's throne above (so, free, so infinite His grace!,
Humbled Himself (so great His love!, and bled for all His chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

Refrain

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose went forth and followed Thee.

Refrain

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through
Christ, my own.

Refrain

***Benediction**

***Hymn of Glory**

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above the heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.

***Postlude**

Worship Leaders

Reverend Nathan Moretto

Reverend Dr. Barry Cureton

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 is the connection between Jesus' Sermon on the Mount and the Book of Deuteronomy. Read Deuteronomy 1.
2. Why has God called us to love our enemies? How is loving our enemies possible?
3. What is the relationship between Jesus' Law and the Law of Moses?

SERMON NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK EVENTS

Maundy Thursday/Communion Service

April 18 @ 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Breakfast & Egg Hunt @ 9:00 am (No Sunday School)

Easter Service @ 10:45 am

As we did last year as community outreach, we will be having an Easter egg hunt again. The hunt will start at 9:30 am and will be held weather permitting around the school yard. If the weather is not conducive we will have it in part of the gym.

We will be having a catered breakfast in Fellowship Hall Easter morning. No need to provide baked goods or egg casserole this year.

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.

Children's Choir Rehearsals

Right after worship today, Children's Choir will meet in the choir room to practice their song for Easter.

Open Hearts Ministry Opportunity

Save the Date! Friday, April 26th from 6:30pm-9:30pm in the Old Sanctuary

The new and improved Blessings Closet construction will be complete shortly, so we will need many hands to sort and size clothing.

Other needs include: sharpies, white trash bags, labels

Please let Erin Tracht know if you can attend (erin.tracht@gmail.com).

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

Upcoming Events

Please join us on **Saturday, May 4 at 10 AM** for a continental breakfast in Fellowship Hall and an update on the work of Chuck and Barbara in south Asia. Barbara will also have products available for purchase from women who are struggling with poverty in their country. Please sign-up following the worship service today or the next 2 Sundays. Let us know how many are coming and what you will bring. We are asking for muffins, bagels, donuts and fruit. Please put a check mark next to your item if it is gluten free.

Liberty Church has had the privilege of hosting the Chris Cox family in our mission house since last June. It seems as though the year has gone by quickly and in mid July they will bid us farewell as the return to Cambodia to serve the Lord there. On **Sunday, May 19th** the Missions Committee is hosting a dinner and giving them an opportunity to share before they return to the mission field. The committee will provide both fried and grilled chicken as well as drinks. We ask you to bring the following to share: A-N bring a salad and O-Z a dessert. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary followed by the dinner in fellowship hall along with time to fellowship with the Coxes. Sign-ups for this event will begin Sunday, April 28th.

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.

Thank you note

Dear Liberty Church Family,

Words cannot fully express my gratitude for your many expressions of our Lord's love and care for me and my family. It was very humbling to be the recipients of God's blessing demonstrated through your many phone calls, visits, meals, flowers, cards, and most of all your prayers. Being part of the body of Christ, that we call Liberty Church, continues to be a real blessing to us. It is a privilege and honor to be serving our awesome God together with you.

Love in His Holy Name,
Chuck Klein

New Address:

Lawrence and Candice Walker
10105 Shaw Drive
Woodstock, MD 21163

***The Christian Choir of Howard County
Celebrating their 51st Anniversary
Presents***

“Love Took His Breath Away”

***Today, Sunday, April 14, 2019, 4:00 pm
Retreat and Conference Center at Bon Secours
1525 Marriottsville Rd, Marriottsville 21105***

A free will offering will be given with proceeds to benefit the
Maryland Food Bank.

Focus on Missions
Forging Bonds of Brotherhood/Gary Yagel



**The Ministry
of Gary Yagel** *IGNITING MEN TO ACTION.*

Forging Bonds of Brotherhood is a Christian ministry that helps local churches build effective, sustainable, disciple-making ministries to men in three primary ways:

- By providing a speaker for men's ministry events such as breakfasts, dinners, seminars, and retreats, as well as unique printed materials for Christian men.
- By providing the tools men need to get connected and become a true band of brothers in the spiritual battle.
- By providing coaching to assist churches to build effective, sustainable, disciple-making ministries for men.

Their leader, Dr. Gary Yagel, is a specialist in men's ministry who is known for igniting passion in men to be faithful followers of their Commander-In-Chief, Jesus Christ. In his short books and through speaking at local churches, he helps men understand biblical manhood. In an encouraging and practical way, he teaches men to be spiritual leaders at home, to meet the needs of their wives that God designed husbands to meet, to help their daughters aspire to being godly women, and to guide their sons into godly manhood. He has conducted a couple of seminars here in the past.

Some examples of the Forging Bonds ministries include:

- The Grace Transformed Sexuality seminar and 9-week group study by the same name have picked up many men who have been beaten down by lust, and inspired them to get back into the fight.
- The men's bible study, Forging Bonds of Brotherhood, helps men disciple one another, by supporting and encouraging each other in their spiritual battles.

For more information and resources for men from Forging Bonds, peruse their website at: <https://www.forgingbonds.org/>
In the past he has also worked with the organization, Building Families.org, which was the parent organization for Forging Bonds of Brotherhood.

Gary is also a Men's Ministry Consultant on the PCA's Committee on Discipleship Ministries, which is charged by the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) with the task of equipping and discipling the churches of our denomination.

Prayer requests:

- Pray for Forging Bonds of Brotherhood as they continue to apply Biblical principles to helping Christian men to live Godly lives in our culture that is often hostile to them, on both counts.
- Pray for their leader, Gary Yagel, to speak God's Word effectively to men in his upcoming teaching engagements.



THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

<i>Men's/Women's Prayer</i>	9:00 am-9:20 am	FH
<i>Sunday School for all ages</i>	9:30 am- 10:30 am	VP
<i>Coffee Fellowship</i>	10:30 am - 10:45 am	FH
<i>Worship Service</i>	10:45 am - 12:15 pm	SAN
<i>Youth Group</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	BH

MONDAY, APRIL 15

<i>Sykesville Small Group</i>	7:00 pm	OC
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TUESDAY, APRIL 16

<i>Men's Bible Study at Denny's (Isaiah)</i>	7:00 am-- 8:30 am	OC
<i>Battalion at Chapelgate</i>	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	OC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	6:30 pm-7:00 pm	P
<i>Choir Practice</i>	7:00 pm- 9:00 pm	SAN
<i>Men's Bible Study (Acts)</i>	7:00 pm-8:30 pm	P

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

<i>Mauudy Thursday Service</i>	7:00 pm- 8:00 pm	SAN
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FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Good Friday/Office Closed

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

<i>AMEN Bible Study</i>	7:30 am	SAN
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SUNDAY, APRIL 21

<i>Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt</i>	9:00 am-10:30 am	FH
<i>Worship Service</i>	10:30 am - 10:45 am	FH

FH-Fellowship Hall • **P**-Parlor • **LCS**-School • **VP**-Various Places

SAN-Sanctuary • **OS**-Old Sanctuary • **OC**- Off Campus • **BH**- Block House

SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS

	April 14	April 21
Nursery 9:30 a.m.	Maxine Saylor	Sabrina Thomas
Combined Nursery 10:30 a.m. Noah's Ark Room	Joyce Klein, Erin Tracht	Julie Crone, Amy Huey
Lock-up	Charlie Hancock, Steve Vega	Tom Crone, James Hoff
Sound	Daniel Hancock	Joe Kraus
Greeters	Jeff & Cindy Watkins	Alan & Barbara Hunzeker
Usher Team Leader	Kurt Reiblich	

Adult Sunday School Classes		
<i>7 I Am Statements of Jesus</i>	Howard Hill	Fellowship Hall
<i>Westminster Confession of Faith</i>	Barry Cureton	Parlor
<i>Ladies Class Deuteronomy</i>	Joyce Klein	Fellowship Hall

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday
April 18 @ 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday
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Prayer List

For our Church Family and needs in the Body

- Pray for Steven & Becky Vega. The custody trial that was scheduled for Friday, April 5th has been postponed again.
- Pray for Erich Hofmann who is recovering from shoulder surgery at home. Pray that his recovery will go well.
- 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 was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. She is getting treatments with chemo; pray for her salvation also.
- Pray for Cindy Watkins mother who needs to have a bone marrow transplant.
- 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. Please pray for healing, comfort and his salvation.
- Pray for Kim (Duty) Griffin's sister-in-law, Beth (Griffin) Mueller who is recovering at home with home health care. She faces a long recovery.
- Pray for Elena Kitchen's sister-in-law, Mary, as she undergoes chemotherapy treatments.

Liberty Christian School

- Praise for a successful and well attended Grandparents day at LCS last Friday. Praise that the students were able to share the joy of their daily learning as their grandparents visited their classrooms.

For our Missionaries

- Pray for Forging Bonds of Brotherhood as they continue to apply Biblical principles for helping Christian men to live Godly lives in our culture that is often hostile to them, on both counts.
- Pray for their leader, Gary Yagel, to speak God's Word effectively to men in his upcoming teaching engagements.

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 KYRGYZSTAN

A word from Eldos, survivor of violent attacks by Muslim extremists. In November, we asked you to write to him and his sister: "Dear brothers and sisters who pray for us all over the world! This is the real reflection of God's love!"

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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