



LIBERTY  
CHURCH, PCA



**Worship Service**  
**September 4, 2022**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

RE Glenn Cote

**Missions Minute**

Hugh Wessel

**Silent Reflection & Meditation**

**\*Call to Worship**

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

**\*Invocation**

**\*Gathering Hymn**

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I Know Whom I Have Believed

**Confession of Faith**

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**Confession of Sin**

**O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that:**

**we have sinned in thought and word and deed;  
we have not loved you with all our heart and soul,  
we have not loved you with all our mind and strength;  
we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love. Amen.**

**Silent Confession of Personal Sin**

**Words of Assurance**

Romans 12:1-2

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*Songs of Praise

Praise Team

This Is The Day

*Rich Thompson/Johnny Robinson*

#### Chorus

This is the day that the Lord has made  
We will rejoice as we lift His name  
This is the day that the Lord has made  
Come and rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it

Whether the sun will shine  
Whether the skies will rain  
I know that You are good  
And this is the day You made  
Whether in life or death  
Whether in joy or pain  
I know this truth remains  
That this is the day You made (*chorus*)

Now I can walk in faith  
You will protect my way  
Your every work is good  
And this is the day You made  
I am a child of Yours  
You are the One who saves  
I am redeemed by love  
And this is the day You made (*chorus*)

This is the day, come and sing your praise  
For the Lord now reigns on the throne of grace  
Soon is the day He will bring us home  
And we have this hope for we are His own (*repeat*)

This is the day that the Lord has made  
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This is the day that the Lord has made  
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## Supporting Scripture Reading

Romans 14:19-23

Jesus Messiah

*Ed Cash, & Jesse Reeves*

### Verse 1

He became sin who knew no sin  
That we might become His Righteousness  
He humbled himself and carried the cross  
Love so amazing, Love so amazing...

### Chorus

Jesus Messiah  
Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners  
The ransom from Heaven  
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

### Verse 2

His body the bread, His blood the wine  
Broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn  
Love so amazing, Love so amazing... (*chorus*)

### Bridge

All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You, God  
The light of the world... (*chorus*)

## Shepherding Prayer

RE Glenn Cote

## Offertory

Quartet

Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy/*arr.* Ronald Turner

## Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

[Children ages 4-2nd Grade are dismissed for Wonders of Worship]

*We love to have children in the worship service.*

*As parents train their children to worship corporately, the nursery or cry room may be used, as needed, if you feel your child is becoming too restless and vocal.*

## \*Sermon Scripture

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Ephesians 2:1–10

2 And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, <sup>3</sup>among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

<sup>4</sup>**But God**, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in trespasses, **made us alive together** with Christ (by grace you have been saved), <sup>6</sup>and **raised us up together**, and **made us sit together** in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup>**For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.**

## Sermon

TE Arch Van Devender

“Created for Good Works”

## \*Hymn of Invitation

Have Thine Own Way Lord!

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## The Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Please note that wine is on the outer ring and we use gluten free wafers

## \*Hymn of Response

Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God

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## \*Benediction

## \*Hymn of Glory

Doxology

## Postlude

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper** will be administered today. We are exhorted in Scripture to be reconciled one to another, in all humility, as we prepare to rejoice together in our reconciliation to the Father through Jesus Christ by one Spirit. Our Mercy Needs offering will be received today along with our general offering. Please designate your check accordingly.

## Fallen Condition Focus:

Many people, including some Christians, fall prey to Satan's device of equating "good works" to some human standard, such as "those seeking to diminish human suffering and promote human social flourishing." Though pleasing to the ears of self-focused humanity, God sets Himself as the standard and assigns "merit" to works so as to call them "good", by His reckoning and not man's.

## Main Point of Sermon:

God has, in fact, so directed the progress of history such that His people, being called out of darkness and into the light of faith, can discern the "good works" in which He has placed before them in which to walk. These "good works" will often have points of contact with those works and values which the secular, unbelieving world considers "good." But the essential difference is that truly good works are those done in faith and none else.

## Prayer List

### **For our church family and needs in the body:**

- Pray for Dick Duty who is having health problems, Jan Duty who is healing after a fall, and the family as they minister to them.
- Continue to pray for Val Thomas who has been placed in hospice care. Val's address in hospice is 555 Towsontown Blvd W, Room 29, Towson, MD 21204
- Pray for Rose Hofmann as she undergoes treatments for cancer.

### **For extended family, friends and others:**

- Please be in prayer for Milt Greffen, Susan Smith's father, who is having treatments for leukemia. Prayer for minimal side effects.
- Pray for the spiritual health of marriages and families within the Body.
- Pray for first responders and our military and their families spiritual, emotional and physical health.
- Pray for repentance and revival in our country that many people would come to know Jesus as Lord and Savior.

### **For Liberty Christian School:**

- Please include all our faculty, staff, and students in your prayers as we begin the new school year on September 6th. We are blessed to welcome nearly 50 new students to Liberty Christian School this year. We pray our new students will thrive in their new school environment.
- Please be in prayer for the provision of talented Godly teachers and staff members to fill our current vacancies.
- Please be in prayer for the "Lion's Den"..... a small group of church members, faculty/staff and parents as they continue to be in prayer over the summer for each LCS student, faculty/staff and school board member.

### **For Our Missionaries:**

Please pray for the following missionaries and their ministries that Liberty Church supports:

**Brittany Felkner** of Carroll County YoungLife (CCYL), a ministry to public middle & high school students, young adults with special needs, and teen mothers:

- Praise God for the 141 campers, including high school students, young adults with special needs, and teen moms with their babies, who traveled to four different camps this summer. Many of them made a life-changing decision to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ. Pray for all of them to grow spiritually from what they learned.
- Pray for God to work in the lives of many in this fall's activities, which include the Annual Mudbowl on September 25 (football in the mud - SO much fun!!), their Annual Celebration Banquet Fundraiser in November, and Winter Weekends.

**Richard & Robin Crane**, part of the MTW (Mission to the World) Global Theological Education Team who work with various organizations, including Third Millennium Seminary, which is also connected to MTW, developing distance education courses in pastoral psychology, request:

- Praise to God that Pastor Hector has been able to minister to groups in Cuba, like the retreat for the spiritual renewal of families with children in need , from MTW's Cuba Partnership Fund (Project # 92750) initiated by the Cranes.
- Praise to God for the ministry of Michel and his wife Laura to unwed mothers and mothers with few resources at a church in the city of Zaza del Medio. They been able to expand their outreach from 50 to 67 children in the church day-care center with funds from the same fund. Pray for that ministry to meet both spiritual and physical needs of these families.

Robyn and Richard will travel to Cuba in September to teach a master's course on marriage counseling.

- Pray for the 50-some students who attend to learn and apply these skills.
- Also pray for their protection as they face frequent power outages and the rising threat of Dengue Fever.

## **Announcements**

### **Liberty Church Announcements**

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The FMC is seeking a member who would be interested in serving as a team leader for one of our counting teams. Please contact Brian Moran if interested.

#### **COLLEGE AND CAREER GROUP**

College and Career will be meeting at the Lambooy's on Friday, September 9th at 6:30 pm for Food, Fellowship, Study and planning for the coming year. Any questions call Margaret at 410-800-5395 or Philip at 443-536-5589

#### **LADIES NIGHT OUT**

Ladies Night Out is Tuesday, September 13th at 5:30 pm at Eldersburg Panera Bread.

#### **Ladies Bible Study COMING SOON**

All ladies, all ages, are invited to come as we seek to better know our Lord through the careful study of His Word. This Fall, we will look more closely at God's communicable and incommunicable attributes. We supplement our scripture study with 2 books by Jen Wilkin ( None Like Him, In His Image). RSVP to reserve books (\$14 total)

First night: Thursday, September 15, 7-8:15 pm.

RSVP to Peggy Walker 410 493 8733

Or Tina Lockwood 443 789 4400

## **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Choir begins again: The adult choir will begin rehearsals again on September 7 from 7-8:45 in the sanctuary. If you love the Lord and love to sing, please join us! All parts are needed and welcome.

## **ANNUAL LABOR DAY PICNIC**

The traditional Labor Day picnic is planned for September 5th (Labor Day). Arrive as early as 2:00 pm; the meal is at 4:00 pm. Bring your own drinks. Tickets are available after church: Adults \$10, Children age 4-12 years old \$5, children age 3 and younger are free. Immediate family max price is \$35. Please sign up to bring tomatoes or dessert. Buy your tickets today.

## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Classes will resume on September 11.

## **NEW WOMEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**

Women's Sunday School Class beginning on September 11th. Come join us for a 11 week study of Jesus in the book of Genesis. Discover how the stories, symbols, people and promises point to Christ. We will be using the book, "The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis" by Nancy Guthrie. If you want to join the class, please contact Tori Upperman at [Toriupperman@gmail.com](mailto:Toriupperman@gmail.com) to reserve a book. The book cost is \$11

## **ADULT SS CLASS: FALL 2022**

*I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. (1 John 5:13)*

JOHN'S letters clearly teach that salvation is by grace through faith in Christ, and yet these same letters can be distressing because of the strong language they employ in reference to the lack of sin. John's letters, particularly 1 John, make the point that those who are born of God do not sin (1 John 3:6-10; 5:18). How do statements like these comport with the view that our salvation comes from God and is found outside ourselves? How do John's statements about not sinning lead to assurance of salvation? How are we to have confidence in our salvation if we continue to struggle with sin?

Come join teachers RE Phil Lambooy, RE Steve Madden, and Bob Eckles as we do a deep dive on these crucial Johannine Epistles! Class begins on 9/11/2022 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

## LCS Announcements

### **Our current job needs for the 2022-2023 school year are:**

Art/Music Teacher, Building Maintenance, Extended Care Provider, Lower School Aid, Physical Education Teacher/Athletic Director, School Counselor, Substitute Teacher, Substitute School Nurse

**Visit the Liberty Christian School website for full job descriptions.**

**<https://www.libertychristianschoolmd.com/>**

### **LCS TEACHER SUPPORT**

We have a wonderful opportunity to come alongside our Liberty Christian School teachers and help them prepare their classrooms for their students. **Many thanks for the generous purchases already made.** If you have not had the opportunity please visit the links emailed on Monday or in the Newsletter on Friday to view the teacher's Wishlists and consider blessing our teachers and our students with your support. Purchases can be made directly from Amazon and can be sent as a gift from you, or you can remove the gift option if you choose to be anonymous.

### **SOCCER SHOTS IS COMING BACK TO LCS**

Fall 2022 Season starts Tuesday, 9/13

Ages 5-8

When: Tuesdays at 3:30 pm

Cost: 8 week season for \$175 + \$35 enrollment fee

Enrollment Fee: if applicable, the non-refundable \$35 enrollment fee is payable one time per school year and includes one Umbro Soccer Shots jersey for your child.

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday, September 4

9:30 am Missions Sunday, Hugh & Martine Wessel  
10:45 am Worship Service

### Monday, September 5

2:00 pm Labor Day Picnic

### Tuesday, September 6

### Wednesday, September 7

11:00 am Summer Days at the Cote Pool  
6:00 pm Prayer Group  
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study  
7:00 pm Choir Practice

### Thursday, September 8

### Friday, September 9

### Saturday, September 10

### Sunday, September 11

9:30 am Sunday School/all ages  
10:45 am Worship Service

### Schedule of Volunteers

	September 4	September 11
<b>Nursery</b>	Heather Lee/Amy Huey	Emma McCabe/Sarah Crowe
<b>WOW</b>	Natalie Klein/Liz Davidson	Kaiah Boyle/Carol Rose
<b>Security</b>	Ken Stetson	Tom Crone



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