



LIBERTY

CHURCH, PCA



Worship Service
November 20, 2022

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

RE Don Wheatley

Ministry Minute

Chris Cox

Silent Reflection & Meditation

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 40:1-5

***Invocation**

***Gathering Hymn**

#157

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Confession of Faith

p. 957

Westminster Longer Catechism #137 & 138

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

Psalm 130:1-4

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
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
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Supporting Scripture Reading

1 John 2:3-11

Lord, I Need You

Matt Maher

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus 1

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
(to chorus 2 - last time)

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
(to chorus 1)

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
(to chorus 1)

Chorus 2

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
Oh you are my one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Dedication of the Operation Christmas Child Boxes

Offertory

Praise Team

Are You Washed/There's Power in The Blood" Medley

Elisha Hoffman | Lewis E. Jones; Arr. Liberty Praise Team

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

TE Arch Van Devender

Ephesians 5:1–16 (NKJV)

5 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. ² **And walk in love**, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

³ But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; ⁴ neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

⁵ For this you know that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁶ **Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.** ⁷ Therefore do not be partakers with them.

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. **Walk as children of light** ⁹ (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), ¹⁰ **finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.** ¹¹ And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.

¹² For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. ¹³ But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. ¹⁴ Therefore He says:

“Awake, you who sleep, arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light.”

¹⁵ **See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,**

¹⁶ redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Sermon

TE Arch Van Devender

“Walking in Love, Light, and Wisdom”

***Hymn of Response**

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Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

***Benediction**

***Hymn of Glory**

Doxology

Postlude



Fallen Condition Focus:

Fallen mankind surrounds the Church of Christ like a swirling whirlpool, exerting powerful and destructive influences on it. Paul is concerned for the Ephesians, and us, that we walk in such a manner as to avoid being sucked into the vortex.

Main Point of Sermon:

Paul's exhortation is directed toward Christians, as were the Proverbs in the OT, to call them away from behaviors, thought processes, and influences which are deadly to our Christian witness. He lays out three main strategic elements emphasizing walking in love, light, and wisdom.



If you would like to purchase one or more poinsettias to be placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God, in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out this form and place it in the offering.

Poinsettias are \$10 each

You may pay by check or cash. (Be sure to mark Poinsettia on your check.) If paying by cash, please use an envelopes and mark it Poinsettia.

Orders must be placed by Monday, November 21.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

NUMBER OF POINSETTIAS DESIRED _____

(Circle appropriate wording)

1) In Honor/In Memory of _____

2) In Honor/In Memory of _____

3) In Honor/In Memory of _____

Prayer List

For our church family and needs in the body:

- Praise the LORD for 60 years of marriage for Ted and Nell Peiffer on Nov. 24th
- Praise God for Jan Duty's scans and blood work resulted in her doctor's decision that she does not need to continue infusion therapy for her ongoing cancer management at this time.

For extended family, friends and others:

- 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 be in prayer for the LCS faculty, staff and students as they enjoy the extended Thanksgiving break with family and friends. Pray that all return healthy and rejuvenated.
- A prayer for our students, "Lord help our children live lives that overflow with thankfulness, always giving thanks to You." Ephesians 5:20
- Please be in prayer for the provision of talented Godly teachers and staff members to fill our current vacancies. Our current staff is stretched very thin and is growing weary.
- 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:

Mount Clare Christian School (MCCS), in Baltimore City:

- Praise God for the salvation of Michelle and Brian because of their little sister's sharing with them about Jesus what she's been learning at MCCS! They are now praying together without any prompting by their teachers. They all now attend MCCS. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help them grow in their faith.
- Praise God for the blessings from the Senior High Retreat, as they studied Colossians 3:12-14 and enjoyed God's creation at Camp Hemlock in West Virginia. During group prayer times they asked God to help them to forgive those who had offended them and receive healing from his Holy Spirit. Pray for them to make that a part of their lives.

- Praise God for how He has led their 2022 Graduates, Jeffrey, Mackenzie, Justus, and Ashton to colleges and employment. Pray for God's continued blessing on their endeavors.

Chris Garriott, the Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) minister at University of Maryland - College Park requests:

- Praise God that new students continue to come to their Supper Club dinner, worship and message each week. Pray for these students to connect with these small groups and church as well.
- Praise God that two student-led small groups are growing and consistently getting students in Scriptures and building community.
- Praise God as well for the Senior Grad Women's small group led by staffer Amanda Jakana and for the Guys Fight Club which Chris is leading. The fight club's purpose is to help students live sexually holy lives for Christ.
- Chris' mother Cleo Garriott, who broke her ankle three weeks ago, is healing well and is now back in her retirement community's care center. Pray for her strength as she does PT each day and that she might return to their apartment unit soon.

Brad Phillips, leader of the Persecution Project Foundation (PPF) in the Nuba Mountains of Southern Sudan reports:

The population of the Nuba continues to grow as persecution in other parts of Sudan are causing former residents to return to the relative safety of their mountain homeland. Unprecedented flooding, an ongoing blockade of humanitarian, and renewed attacks on the ground by the government, along with the increasing population, have created a major humanitarian crisis. PPF has launched an Emergency Christmas Airlift to assist 2,000 additional families with emergency shelter and supplies. Please pray for this effort and consider contributing.



PLEASE JOIN US AS WE GIVE THANKS

Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30 pm

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Join us for an evening of praise and thanksgiving for God's wonderful blessings this year. We will be singing hymns and songs of praise, praying to our Heavenly Father, sharing testimonies, and receiving a short meditation. We hope you are able to attend.

(In an effort to include all ages in this time of giving thanks, there will be no official childcare. The Nursery and Cry Room will be available for parents to us as needed.)

Announcements

Liberty Church Announcements

LADIES BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Thursday , Nov 24 No Ladies Bible Study
Thursday, Dec 1 Bible Study (last of 2022)

Thursday Dec 8,15,22,29: No Bible Study

We begin again on Thursday Jan 5, 2023

JOB OPENING:

Director of Nursery & Children's Ministries

The position of Director of Nursery & Children's Ministries will be open beginning January 2023. This person would work alongside the other Liberty Staff members and would report directly to the Pastor. This role is responsible for the overall management and volunteer recruitment/coordination for Nursery, Wonders of Worship, Sunday School, Pioneer Girls, Christian Service Brigade, and Vacation Bible School. Other responsibilities include (but are not limited to): Setting the children/youth calendar for the year with the Youth Director who is currently Dave Tracht. Updating and managing information for children (Age 0-18) and families in Planning Center (including allergy information, emergency contact lists, and class rosters). Budget management for current and upcoming years. Selecting, approving, and ordering all curricula. Attending weekly staff meetings.

Hourly expectation: 10 hours per week **Salary:** TBD

Contact the church office if you are interested.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Children's Sunday School Helpers-

We are in need of consistent volunteers to help our lead teachers on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30am in the 2-3 Year Old Class, the Pre-K-1st Grade Class, and the Youth Class.

Wonder of Worship Volunteers-

We are in need of 2-4 volunteers to help with Wonders of Worship beginning in January 2023. Volunteers would be in a 4-5 week rotation and would teach the children (age 4 through 2nd grade) from the user-friendly New City Catechism curriculum.

Nursery Volunteers-

We need one volunteer for the Toddler Nursery beginning November 27th. Currently we only have a Toddler Nursery but we are looking to reopen our Infant Nursery in January of 2023. We will need 8-12 people to establish a 4-6 week rotation of volunteers.



living stones

The goal of Living Stones is to build up the character of our youth, by exploring biblical truth and how this truth impacts our lives.

Time: 5:45pm - 8:45 pm

Schedule:

- Friday, 11/25 > **No Meeting*
- Friday, 12/2 > Regular Meeting
- Friday, 12/9 > Regular Meeting
- Friday, 12/16 > Regular Meeting
- Friday, 12/23 > **No Meeting*
- Friday, 12/30 > **No Meeting*
- Friday, 1/6 > **No Meeting*
- Friday, 1/13 > Regular Meeting
- Friday, 1/20 > Regular Meeting
- Friday, 1/27 > Regular Meeting

Dave Tracht

Liberty Youth Director

dtracht@libertychurchpca.org

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Please consider a blood donation on Monday November 21 from 1:00 – 6:00 pm in our fellowship Hall. Please call the Red Cross at 800-448-3543 and mention Liberty Church to schedule an appointment. “One pint of blood can save up to three lives”.

LCS Announcements

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

Currently, we have several positions available, both full and part time:

Art Teacher	School Counselor	Building Maintenance
Lower School Aide	Lower School Teacher	Physical Education Teacher
Extended Care Provider	Substitute Teacher	Substitute School Nurse

Job postings are available at <https://www.libertychristianschoolmd.com/job-opportunities-employment> or email Lavender at bouwensl@libertychristian.us.

PARTNERSHIP LEGACY FUND

Exciting News! We are blessed to have several anonymous donors committed to **match new and increased donations** made to our Partnership Legacy Fund **up to \$5,000.00 on Giving Tuesday - Tuesday, November 29th**. All new or increased donations received online (or postmarked) on November 29th will be matched up to \$5,000. Please consider **investing** in the Christ- Centered education provided by LCS, please visit our website <https://www.libertychristianschoolmd.com/online-giving> or mail your donation to Liberty Christian School, 11303 Liberty Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117 and postmarked on November 29th.

Please note: pledge cards will not be mailed to homes this year. If you prefer to use a pledge card, they are available in the back of the sanctuary. There is also a small supply of envelopes and copies of the message from the Head of the School.

LCS is selling Gift Cards for the Christmas season. Not sure what to get that special someone? Need a gift card that's hard to find? Look no further! Complete the order form and the Scrip Payment Summary page and submit with your payment of cash or check to the school office. You may pay using a credit card with a fee. Credit card orders under \$200 will be charged a flat \$5 fee. Orders over \$200 will be charged a flat \$10 fee. Ordering forms can be found on the back tables.

The deadline to order is Friday, December 2nd. Cards will be ready for pick up beginning December 16th

Thanks in advance for supporting this LCS Fundraiser.

ADULT SS CLASSES: FALL 2022		
Women's Class/ Jesus in the book of Genesis	Tori Upperman	Fellowship Hall
John's Letters	Phil Lambooy/ Steve Madden/ Bob Eckles	Fellowship Hall

Schedule of Volunteers		
	November 20	November 27
Nursery	Debbie Belcher/Robin Moran	Amy Huey/Dianna Cote
WOW	Bri Luff/Caroline Luff	Natalie Klein/Liz Davidson
Security	Ken Stetson	Ken Stetson

A NOTE FROM THE CHILTONS

Dear Liberty Church,

Kevin and I are living in Chattanooga for the time being so you aren't seeing us around as much during this furlough. But we do hope for a visit in the near future. We thank all of you who give to the church - therefore supporting our ministry financially - and pray for the missionaries connected to Liberty.

In Christ,
Kevin and Lori Chilton

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 20

9:30 am Sunday School for all ages (Missions Sunday)
10:45 am Worship Service
12:30 Missions Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, November 21

1:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 22

Wednesday, November 23

6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thursday, November 24

Office Closed

Friday, November 25

Office Closed

Saturday, November 26

Sunday, November 27 (1st Sunday of Advent)

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



LADIES NIGHT OUT
Mark your calendar for
Ladies Night Out on
Tuesday, December 13th at Panera Bread in
Eldersburg at 5:30 pm. Come and join us for a
fun evening of good food and fellowship.



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