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The Lord's Day, July 5, 2020

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Prelude "Aria in D Minor" By Domenico Scarlatti

Oliver Dawson, Pianist

# Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship \* PSALM 145:1-3

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King,

People: And bless your name forever and ever.

Leader: Every day I will bless you

People: And praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

People: And his greatness is unsearchable.

Hymn of Praise \* N°. 110

"Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"

1 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, from the heavens praise his Name; Praise Jehovah in the highest, all his angels, praise proclaim. All his hosts, together praise him, sun and moon and stars on high; Praise him, O you heav'ns of heavens, and ye floods above the sky.

### Refrain:

Let them praises give Jehovah, for his name alone is high, And his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, And his glory is exalted, far above the earth and sky. **2** Let them praises give Jehovah, they were made at his command; Them forever he established, His decree shall ever stand. From the earth, O praise Jehovah, all you seas, you monsters all, Fire and hail and snow and vapors, stormy winds that hear his call. [Refrain]

**3** All you fruitful trees and cedars, all you hills and mountains high; Creeping things and beasts and cattle, birds that in the heavens fly, Kings of earth, and all you people, princes great, earth's judges all; Praise his Name, young men and maidens, aged men, and children small. [Refrain]

Invocation \*

Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o.</sup> 662

"As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams"

**1** As the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for Thee, O God. My soul does thirst for the living God; when shall I come to see Thy face?

**2** My tears have fed me day and night, while men have said "Where is your God?" But I recall as my soul pours dry, the days of praise within Thy house.

**3** Why do I mourn and toil within, when it is mine to hope in God? I shall again sing praise to Him, He is my help, He is my God.

# Responsive Reading

PSALM 119:89-112

Leader: Your word, Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.

People: Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures.

Leader: Your laws endure to this day, for all things serve you.

People: If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction.

Leader: I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have preserved my life.

People: Save me, for I am yours; I have sought out your precepts.

Leader: The wicked are waiting to destroy me, but I will ponder your statutes.

People: To all perfection I see a limit, but your commands are boundless.

Leader: Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long.

People: Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies.

Leader: I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes.

People: I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey your precepts.

Leader: I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word.

People: I have not departed from your laws, for you yourself have taught me.

Leader: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

People: I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path.

Leader: Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

People: I have taken an oath and confirmed it, that I will follow your righteous laws.

Leader: I have suffered much; preserve my life, Lord, according to your word.

People: Accept, Lord, the willing praise of my mouth, and teach me your laws.

Leader: Though I constantly take my life in my hands, I will not forget your law.

People: The wicked have set a snare for me, but I have not strayed from your precepts.

Leader: Your statutes are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

People: My heart is set on keeping your decrees to the very end.

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music Solo TBA

Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 3:1-13

revelation, as I have already written briefly. <sup>4</sup> In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup> which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. <sup>6</sup> This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

<sup>7</sup> I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. <sup>8</sup> Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. <sup>10</sup> His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, <sup>11</sup> according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>12</sup> In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. <sup>13</sup> I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory.

Sermon Dr. John K. Dawson

"You Called?"

Hymn of Response \*

N<sup>o.</sup> 644

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

**1** May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day, by his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

**2** May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r.

**3** May the peace of God my Father rule my life in ev'rything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

**4** May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting, self abasing: this is victory.

**5** May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, and may they forget the channel, seeing only him.

Offertory Prayer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup> that is, the mystery made known to me by

### 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.

# Benediction

\* Congregation Standing

## Sermon Notes

Ephesians 3:1-13 "You Called?"

I. Revelation of the Gospel Call

II. Riches of the Gospel Call

III. Reason for the Gospel Call

IV. Resting Place for the Gospel Call

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Drive-thru Baby Shower:** Please join us as we honor Terry and Jackson Pullen as they welcome a baby boy, Rad Young Pullen. Drive-thru the BPC parking lot on Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> anytime from 6-7:00 PM. You will pass your gift through your car window and watch from your car as Terry opens it. Terry is registered at Amazon and Target. Nursery colors are gray and white.

Online Giving: Here's a reminder from our Treasurer regarding online giving: Your continued giving has been a blessing during these difficult times and I encourage you to continue using any method you prefer. For online giving, simply go to the website below. It's a website that the Presbyterian Church in America's Foundation has set up for us: <a href="https://secure.egsnetwork.com/donate/CAA2067B89F8403">https://secure.egsnetwork.com/donate/CAA2067B89F8403</a>

It is best if you choose ACH (electronic bank transfer) rather than using a credit card because BPC is not currently charged a fee for ACH. If you are not comfortable with the online giving then you can continue to mail your tithes to the church. If you have any questions or have any trouble please contact me via email: luther@brandonpres.com or by phone (601) 209-0231.

### **ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES**

39/32
26
40
14
\$ 4,352.00
\$ 7,194.00
\$ 161,555.00
\$ 187,044.00 (-\$25,489)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God.

# IN PRAYER

- MTW Missionary of the Week: David & Robin White (Atlanta: Field Support)
- Ministry of the Week: Reformed Theological Seminary
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers & Eric Napier
- Child(ren) of the Week: Eliza, Clara and Layton Matthews
- College Student of the Week: Troy Stokes
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.



# Weddings and Babies:

- Holly and Tim Williams: Baby Georgia Lynn, born on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 6 lbs, 13 ozs, 20".
- Laura and Wilson Whitten: expecting a baby boy July 15<sup>st</sup>.
- Lacey and Dominic Avioli: expecting a baby girl in August.
- Terry and Jackson Pullen: expecting a baby Sept 28<sup>th</sup>
- Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody: to be married in October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Katlyn and Joel Huddleston: expecting a baby boy in October.
- John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter: to be married Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

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- Gary Morrison: Father, Gene Morrison, passed away July 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Jerry Moore: severe pain in his ankle, seeing a specialist on July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Joseph Barnes: maternal grandmother passed away recently.
- Frank Clayton: receiving physical therapy, spinal injections have relieved his pain.
- **Greenwood Families:** Matt and Stephanie Avant lost their 15 year-old son, Pullen, in a four-wheeler accident. Hank and Ginny Pantin lost their 17 year-old son, Gram, when he lost control of his vehicle causing it to flip. Please pray for these families and their young friends
- Jacquelyn Thornell: broken ankle, returning to the doctor July 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Ken Bramlett: having dizzy spells, fell and injured knee but doing ok.
- Kathy Smith: fractured elbow from a fall, healing nicely, goes back to doctor in July.
- Margaret Christine Presley Davis (Ellie Word's grandmother): passed away on June 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Bob Booth:** neurological disease, going for EMG (nerve test), arms continue to be very adversely affected.

- **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well, blood pressure normalized, problems with rapid pulse rate, debilitating fatigue.
- Lois Carman: severe back pain from scoliosis.

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# Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): cancer has not spread, struggling with pain and doctors are considering different treatments.
- Jim Smith: pancreatic cancer, June 25<sup>th</sup> scan was clear, Praise God!
- Charles Watkins (Sharon Nicholson's brother): at Hospice Ministries, cancer may have spread to his brain.
- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): Last MRI was clear, still having problems with nausea and vomiting.
- **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer, doing well, just finished second round of chemo.
- Robin Marbury Morris (Jeanne Monsour's Niece): liver & colon cancer, continuing chemo biweekly.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer, doing good, next appointment scheduled for July.
- Leah Herbert (Ainslie Curtis' teacher): stage 4 cervical cancer, single Mom of a 6<sup>th</sup> grader, check-up showed no treatment is needed right now, will return in 2 months for follow-up.
- Andrew Gerrard (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; last scan showed cancer has not spread, continuing treatment.
- Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer: Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor); Jerry Long, Batesville Pres (kidney cancer).
- Anna Taylor (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back.
- Andrew McCall (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia.
- Terry McGinty (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer.



 Service members: Isaac Jay (Army, Fort Polk; grandson of Elton & Sonia Jay); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)



Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlett, Evelyn Culpepper, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Edsell and Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts