

Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Our great God of truth, you always keep your word, never deceive, and always speak what is right. But, as your people, we have not always reflected your character. We have been guilty of twisting the truth, exaggerating when it suits us, and equivocating when it benefits us. For these and all the ways we have lied, deceived, or not lived according to the truth, we humbly repent. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus and for your glory, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon — 1 John 1:5, 7

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, then we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

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.

Proclamation

Missions Moment

Connie Bennett

New Testament Reading

John 8:12-32

¹² Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” ¹³ So the Pharisees said to him, “You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true.” ¹⁴ Jesus answered, “Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going.” ¹⁵ You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. ¹⁶ Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷ In your Law it is written that the testimony of two people is true. ¹⁸ I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me.” ¹⁹ They said to him therefore, “Where is your Father?” Jesus answered, “You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also.” ²⁰ These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come. ²¹ So he said to them again, “I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come.” ²² So the Jews said, “Will he kill himself, since he says, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come’?” ²³ He said to them, “You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. ²⁴ I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins.” ²⁵ So they said to him, “Who are you?” Jesus said to them, “Just what I have been telling you from the beginning. ²⁶ I have much to say about you and much to judge, but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him.” ²⁷ They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father. ²⁸ So Jesus said to them, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me. ²⁹ And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him.” ³⁰ As he was saying these things, many believed in him. ³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

Minister The Word of the Lord
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

Choir

(Dismissal to Children’s Church)

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1-16

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying, ² “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ⁸ Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹² Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ You shall not murder. ¹⁴ You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You shall not steal. ¹⁶ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Rev. Bryan Gregory
The Ninth Commandment: You Shall Not Bear False Witness

Dedication

Hymn of Response

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May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

St. Leonards

Affirmation of Faith — The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten from the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by Whom all things were made; Who for us, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Julie Snow

Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

Teddy Bear Team

Thank you to everyone who donated supplies, cut, stitched, and helped with the teddy bears and dolls for the church Festival on the Green last Sunday. The teddy bears were enjoyed by all. Left-over supplies will be made into teddy bear/doll kits and donated to the Bonclarken Book Store.

Thank you!

A huge THANK YOU to all those who participated in making the Festival on the Green a wonderful afternoon!

Fun Friday

Friday, August 23, 2013, 6-8 PM. Games. Crafts. Bible stories. Snacks for the kids. *Date night* for mom and dad!

Next Missional Lunch

Please join us for the next Missional Living potluck and discussion on Sunday, September 8th following the service. If you have or have not attended in the past, please mark your calendar and join the discussion. Hope to see you there!

Attention Ladies!

Our church will host a Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday, September 14th from 8:30-4:30. All-day attendance is not necessary. We welcome those that want to stay for any part of the day. A BBQ lunch will be provided. \$5 per ticket. Contact Britt Causey: 336-266-1685 or bcausey4@triad.rr.com Please join us for a day of encouragement and bible study!

Young at Heart

Young at Heart will resume meeting Tuesday September 24 at 11:45 in the church fellowship hall. Margaret and Myrleann will prepare the lunch consisting of baked chicken, rice pilaf, green salad, rolls and dessert. If you want to bring your own special dish, we will welcome it. Program will be announced later.

Attention Secret Sisters!

On Saturday, September 28 from 2-4 in the fellowship hall, there will be a dessert fellowship where we will reveal who we had for a SS. We will also draw for our new Secret Sisters. If you cannot attend you should still make sure that your gift for your sister is there. Also, there will be Secret Sister forms in the vestibule that you can fill out ahead of time. Be sure to give the form to Margaret Owens or Christy Gregory if you are unable to attend but want to be a SS for the coming year. If you are willing to make a dessert please contact Margaret Owens at mtowens62@yahoo.com or telephone 336-263-7666.

New Bulletin Boards

If you would like to have something posted on a bulletin board, please email Gloria. There are two Current Events boards, a Missions board, and a Women's Ministries board.

Ministry Information

Nursery

Today: Jessie Richardson and Kristen Carter

Children's Church:

Today: Jessie Richardson and Kristen Carter
Next Week: Kristen Carter and Jan Burwell

Deacon on Duty

Today: Randall Cobb
Next Week: Mark Vestal

Tithes and Offerings for August 11:

General Fund \$2,534.64

The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Gregory
Vice Moderator: Gene Parks
Clerk: Matt Causey

2013: Doug Cobb, Matt Causey
2015: Dick Fuller, Gene Parks

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal
Secretary: Doug Glass

2013: Randall Cobb
2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal
2015: Doug Glass, WD Yarbrough

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks
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Preparation

Silent Meditation

A lie is a snowball; the further you roll it, the bigger it becomes.
Martin Luther (†1546 A.D.)

Think about how much falsehood and deceit there is in the world! How much exaggeration! How many untruths are added to a simple story! How many things are left out, if it does not serve the speaker's interest to tell them! How few there are around us of whom we can say, that we trust their word without question!
J. C. Ryle (†1900 A.D.)

Saints not only desire to love and speak truth with their lips, but they seek to be true within; they will not lie even in the closet of their hearts, for God is there to listen; they scorn double meanings, evasions, equivocations, white lies, flatteries, and deceptions.

Charles Spurgeon (†1892 A.D.)

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship—Revelation 15

Minister Great and marvelous are your deeds,
Lord God Almighty!

People **Just and true are your ways,
King of the ages.**

Minister Who will not fear you, O Lord,
and bring glory to your name?

People **For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship you!**

Hymn of Preparation
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The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

Adoration

Invocation

Hymn of Adoration
76

O for a Thousand Tongues

Azmon