

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. Please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit.

A Word About Our Worship Service. Hymn of Reflection: When the Word of God reveals to us the greatness of God, the sinfulness of man and the grace of God in Christ, we must think on these matters and sing of them! Sometimes we sing joyfully. At times we may sing mournfully. Often we sing prayerfully, asking God to be at work in our hearts and minds.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 32.

Congregational Luncheon. Join us today after Worship. Connie Bennett will be giving a report on her Mission Trip to Trinidad.

Men's Evening Gathering. Join us on Monday, February 20 at Panera Bread at 7 PM. We will continue our study of *Masculine Mandate*, chapter 10.

Fellowship while Crafting. Saturday, March 4th, at 1 PM, join in the fun! We will be making a craft to add to gift bags for our homebound members! Lunch will be from Chick-Fil-A--chicken nuggets and chicken salad with fresh fruit!

Visiting Homebound. Saturday, March 18th, at 2 PM, please join in visiting our homebound members!

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Kathy Isley and Laurie Isley
Next Week: Macon Baird and Fran Haynes
Counter: Today: Jay Snow
Next Week: Ferald Mann
Deacon on Duty: Today: Stephen Robinson
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:

General Fund: \$5,101.00

The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Crotts
Vice Moderator: Jay Snow
Clerk: John Robinson

2017: Bill Haynes
2018: John Robinson
Jay Snow
2019: Ferald Mann

Elders Emeritus:
Jim Knox
Gene Parks

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens, 2018
Vice Chairman: Larry Isley, 2019
Secretary: Stephen Robinson, 2017

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Steve Kyaw, Jim Knox, Gene Parks, Ferald Mann
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: John Robinson
Congregational Chairman: James Constable

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“Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”
Luke 6:36

**The Lord's Day
February 19, 2017**

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude Ed Limon

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votum Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5

Call to Worship* Psalm 67

Hymn of Adoration*
#17 Ye Servants of God

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith Westminster Creed

Minister: Congregation of our Lord Jesus Christ, what do you believe?

People: I believe man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever; I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all his creatures and all their actions. I believe that God chose and ordained the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the Prophet, Priest and King, the Head and Savior of his Church. I believe that from all eternity God gave his Son a people, who will be redeemed, called, justified, sanctified and glorified.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise*

#74

Majesty

Corporate Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father: We confess to you and to one another that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; against your holy law by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven. We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit. We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives, Have mercy on us, O Lord, and forgive our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 28:6

Blessed be the Lord! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

Hymn of Redemption*

N. Barham

No Righteousness of Mine
Tune: DARWALL - "Rejoice the Lord is King"

No righteousness of mine
Can stand before the Throne,
But Christ's own perfect works are now my very own!
In Christ I'm free!
The Cross of Christ made peace with God for even me!

The holy law of God
That once declared my death
Now whispers All is well with Jesus' dying breath!
Once dead, now raised!
His glorious Cross puts Death to death! Let Christ be praised!

Now Sinai holds no fear!
Its fiery curses fade,
Outshined by rays of grace in Calv'ry's love displayed!
In worship, fall!
Adore the Son of God whose outpoured blood heals all!

Reading of the Old Testament

Hosea 2:14-23

Pastoral Prayer 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.

The Lord's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory/Anthem

The Wonder of His Love

Adult Choir

Hymn of Praise*

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Doxology

Reading of the New Testament

James 2

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word

Why Our Church Must Be Merciful

Pastor Bryan Crotts

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment

#531

Satisfied

Benediction*

Postlude

Ed Limon

Sermon Notes

* Please stand if you are able