

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

Why have you been brought to Christ? It is to worship! There will come a day when we no longer study God’s Word, no longer repent of sin, no longer proclaim the gospel to the lost; but there will never come a time when the saints do not worship. Let us come together now and meet with God as His people, offering up the worship that He is due and tasting of that which we will enjoy eternally.

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Peter Spink

Introit

Now to Praise the Name of Jesus

Call to Worship

Psalm 130:5-8

I wait for the LORD, my soul does wait, and in His word do I hope. My soul waits for the Lord more than the watchmen for the morning; indeed, more than the watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD; for with the LORD there is lovingkindness, and with Him is abundant redemption. And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

§ Hymn

Amazing Grace!

No. 460

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Spink

Confession of Faith

WSC, 85-88

Leader: What does God require from us to escape His anger and curse, which we deserve for our sin?

People: To escape God's anger and curse, which we deserve for our sin, God requires from us faith in Jesus Christ and repentance unto life along with diligent involvement in all the external ways Christ uses to bring us the benefits of redemption.

Leader: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

People: Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, by which we receive and rest on Him alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the gospel.

Leader: What is repentance unto life?

People: Repentance unto life is a saving grace, by which a sinner, being truly aware of his sinfulness, understands the mercy of God in Christ, grieves for and hates his sins, and turns from them to God, fully intending and striving for a new obedience.

Leader: What are the ordinary, external ways Christ uses to bring us the benefits of redemption?

People: The ordinary, external ways Christ uses to bring us the benefits of redemption are His regulations, particularly the word, sacraments, and prayer, all of which are made effective for the salvation of His chosen ones.

§ Gloria Patri

No. 734

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. ~CCLII 1347461

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Alleluia, Praise!

Alleluia, Alleluia, O praise the Lord. In songs that echo the joy we have this day, O celebrate the joy. With music ringing, ever singing now, O praise the Lord. Alleluia, O praise the Lord, praise the Lord! ~CCLI 11347461

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Spink

§ Hymn

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

No. 168

(stanzas 1, 2 & 5)

Scripture Reading

Daniel 9:1-19

Pew Bible page 893

¹In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of Median descent, who was made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans—²in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, observed in the books the number of the years which was revealed as the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet for the completion of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years. ³So I gave my attention to the Lord God to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth and ashes. ⁴I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed and said, “Alas, O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, ⁵we have sinned, committed iniquity, acted wickedly and rebelled, even turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances. ⁶Moreover, we have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings, our princes, our fathers and all the people of the land.

⁷“Righteousness belongs to You, O Lord, but to us open shame, as it is this day—to the men of Judah, the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those who are nearby and those who are far away in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of their unfaithful deeds which they have committed against You. ⁸Open shame belongs to us, O Lord, to our kings, our princes and our fathers, because we have sinned against You. ⁹To the Lord our God belong compassion and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against Him; ¹⁰nor have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in His teachings which He set before us through His servants the prophets. ¹¹Indeed all Israel has transgressed Your law and turned aside, not obeying Your voice; so the curse has been poured out on us, along with the oath which is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, for we have sinned against Him. ¹²Thus He has confirmed His words which He had spoken against us and against our rulers who ruled us, to bring on us great calamity; for under the whole heaven there has not been done anything like what was done to Jerusalem. ¹³As it is written in the law of Moses, all this calamity has come on us; yet we have not sought the favor of the LORD our God by turning from our iniquity and giving attention to Your truth. ¹⁴Therefore the LORD has kept the calamity in store and brought it on us; for the LORD our God is righteous with respect to all His deeds which He has done, but we have not obeyed His voice.

¹⁵“And now, O Lord our God, who have brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand and have made a name for Yourself, as it is this day—we have sinned, we have been wicked. ¹⁶O Lord, in accordance with all Your righteous acts, let now Your anger and Your wrath turn away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; for because of our sins and the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people have become a reproach to all those around us. ¹⁷So now, our God, listen to the prayer of Your servant and to his supplications, and for Your sake, O Lord, let Your face shine on Your desolate sanctuary. ¹⁸O my God, incline Your ear and hear! Open Your eyes and see our desolations and the city which is called by Your name; for we are not presenting our supplications before You on account of any merits of our own, but on account of Your great compassion. ¹⁹O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and take action! For Your own sake, O my God, do not delay, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name.”

Proclamation of God’s Word

Mr. Vinicius Pimentel

Knocking on Heaven’s Door

§ Hymn

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

No. 472

(stanzas 1, 3 & 5)

§ Benediction

§ Corporate “Amen”

§ The congregation will please stand.

EVENING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-3, 18-19

I will extol You, my God, O King, and I will bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.

The LORD is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He will also hear their cry and will save them.

§ Psalm

God, My King, Thy Might Confessing (stanzas 1, 4, 5 & 6)

No. 5

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Mr. Vinicius Pimentel

New Testament Reading

Romans 15:1-13

Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. Each of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to his edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, “THE REPROACHES OF THOSE WHO REPROACHED YOU FELL ON ME.” For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus, so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. For I say that Christ has become a servant to the circumcision on behalf of the truth of God to confirm the promises given to the fathers, and for the Gentiles to glorify God for His mercy; as it is written, “THEREFORE I WILL GIVE PRAISE TO YOU AMONG THE GENTILES, AND I WILL SING TO YOUR NAME.” Again he says, “REJOICE, O GENTILES, WITH HIS PEOPLE.” And again, “PRAISE THE LORD ALL YOU GENTILES, AND LET ALL THE PEOPLES PRAISE HIM.” Again Isaiah says, “THERE SHALL COME THE ROOT OF JESSE, AND HE WHO ARISES TO RULE OVER THE GENTILES, IN HIM SHALL THE GENTILES HOPE.”

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

§ Hymn

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

No. 342

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

My Heart Rejoices in the Lord

Children’s Choir

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Mr. Pimentel

§ Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

No. 457

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 5:8-20

Pew Bible page 673

⁸If you see oppression of the poor and denial of justice and righteousness in the province, do not be shocked at the sight; for one official watches over another official, and there are higher officials over them. ⁹After all, a king who cultivates the field is an advantage to the land. ¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves abundance with its income. This too is vanity. ¹¹When good things increase, those who consume them increase. So what is the advantage to their owners except to look on? ¹²The sleep of the working man is pleasant, whether he eats little or much; but the full stomach of the rich man does not allow him to sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil which I have seen under the sun: riches being hoarded by their owner to his hurt. ¹⁴When those riches were lost through a bad investment and he had fathered a son, then there was nothing to support him. ¹⁵As he had come naked from his mother’s womb, so will he return as he came. He will take nothing from the fruit of his labor that he can carry in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil—exactly as a man is born, thus will he die. So what is the advantage to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Throughout his life he also eats in darkness with great vexation, sickness and anger.

¹⁸Here is what I have seen to be good and fitting: to eat, to drink and enjoy oneself in all one’s labor in which he toils under the sun during the few years of his life which God has given him; for this is his reward. ¹⁹Furthermore, as for every man to whom God has given riches and wealth, He has also empowered him to eat from them and to receive his reward and rejoice in his labor; this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not often consider the years of his life, because God keeps him occupied with the gladness of his heart.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Pastor Andrew Newman

The Folly of Riches

§ Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

No. 642

§ Benediction

Sermon Notes:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Pew Cards:** If you are new to Fellowship, please help us get to know you by filling out a pew card and dropping it in the offering plate. ~Thank you!*

Wednesday Night Supper & Service:

5:30 PM: Catered Supper—\$3.50/ adult (ages 11 & up); \$2.50/child (ages 10 & under) \$15 max/family; sign-up is required.

***Please indicate on a pew card the number of adults & children attending this week's supper;** the menu is beef enchiladas, salad, and dessert. **Food is served until 6:10 pm.**

6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children); High Point (youth).

Adult Sunday School Classes, 10:00 AM:

Assurance of Salvation, taught by Terry Richards, will meet in the fellowship hall.

The Three Epistles of John, taught by Jeff Wayne, Sr., will meet in the sanctuary.

Early Morning Bible Study (Philippians, led by Pastor Martin), resumes this week, 6:30-7:30 am.

Ladies' Precepts Bible Study (Hebrews) meets Tuesdays, 9:45 am; childcare available.

Women's Fellowship Salad Supper, Thursday, May 11, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall; please bring a salad to share.

Women's Summer Book Studies ~ June—August: Join a small group of women this summer to read and discuss a book together and share a time of fellowship and prayer. This year we have four different options; brochures detailing all four options, as well as registration information, are available in the narthex of both buildings. **Sign-up deadline is Sunday, May 14.** Contact any member of the Women's Committee or email for more information.

Women's Retreat, Friday & Saturday, August 25-26, Bonclarken Conference Center: brochures are available in the narthex. Contact Brenda Kuhfuss for details.

Next Sunday Evening, May 7:

Farewell Reception for Vinicius, Laura, and Lucas Pimentel

Plan to join us Sunday, May 7, following evening worship, as we "farewell" the Pimentels.

Please sign-up (in the narthex or fellowshippres.org/calendar) **to bring:** a tray of **heavy hors d'oeuvres, fruit/ veggie tray, or your favorite dessert.** ~Thank you!

Summer Supper Clubs: June—July—August 2023!

Couples and individuals may sign up now (in the narthex or online) to be assigned to a supper club that will meet once a month during June, July, and August. Meeting times and places are determined by each group. This is a great way to get to know new people or deepen existing relationships. Please contact Becky Taylor for questions or more information.

VBS/ Summer SeaQuest: June 19—23, 9:00 AM—12 Noon
(Grade K4—Grade 6 complete)

Registration for Summer Seaquest BEGINS TODAY! Flyers and forms are available in the narthex and online registration is also available at fellowshippres.org. Remember to invite your family and friends NOW as our space is limited and we want to get those registered who are connected with the church.

*The flowers today were given in loving memory of Graham Michael Ethridge
(April 27, 1998—May 1, 2022) from Dale and Carol Ethridge.*

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Prayer Requests: prayer@fellowshippres.org Announcements: announcements@fellowshippres.org

THE SESSION:

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin
Ruling Elders: Craig Bouvier, John Kuhfuss, Terry Richards,
Tim Taylor, Jeff Wayne, Sr., Jeff Wayne, Jr.
Elder of the Month: Tim Taylor

THE DIACONATE:

Deacons: Pat DeJong, Jared Farquhar, Dave Frengel,
Brian Medlin, Kelly Peterson, Philip Triplett
Deacon of the Week: Kelly Peterson

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Pastor Andrew Newman

COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Peter Spink

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Michael Weaver

CHURCH INTERN: Vinicius Pimentel

ACCOMPANISTS:

Piano, Beverly Brouwer & Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farquhar

MISSIONARIES & BENEVOLENCE MINISTRIES:

Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kona—Albania
Rev & Mrs. Alonzo Ramirez—Peru
Rev. & Mrs. Todd Crusey—London
Rev. & Mrs. John Blevins—NW Knoxville
Rev & Mrs. Miguel D'Azevedo—Okinawa
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April 30, 2023

*Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by
reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ
and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.*

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20