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inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfector of our faith.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MRS. JC KONECNY

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

B. Redman | M. Redman

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say

chorus

*Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say

bridge

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name

CONFESSION OF SIN

MR. TRAVIS JONES

Holy Father, we are your rebellious children,
Turning from your ways every moment.
We know what is good yet decide on what is evil.
Have mercy on us and forgive us.
Yet, even when we obey you our sin remains with us.
Though we are covered in the blood of Christ, sin flows through our veins.
Only your grace can make us new.
May your Spirit reign in us, through Christ, our brother. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ROMANS 8:28-30

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

MISSIONS LUNCH — Next Sunday, April 26th, we will have a special guest in our midst, Pastor Wong from City Discipleship Presbyterian Church (CDPC) in Malaysia. CDPC has a growing relationship with our mother church, Uptown Church. If you are interested, please join us for lunch after church for a chance to get to know Pastor Wong and what the Lord is up to on the other side of the world. This will be a potluck lunch at the Dirks Residence (1016 Timber Lake Dr, 28227). A link to the Signup Genius is in the EotW & on the website.

ROOTS CLASS RESCHEDULE — Would you like to learn more about our church or are you interested in pursuing membership? If so, the next **Roots Class** has been rescheduled for Friday, May 1st from 7-10pm @ the Piteo residence (6823 Wagon Oak Rd, 28212). We will have these classes quarterly as they are a requirement for membership. Please let Tyler / Jason know if you intend to come so that we can properly prepare for your presence.

WOMEN'S POTLUCK DINNER — Ladies, mark your calendars for the next women's potluck dinner on May 11th @ 6144 Raisin Tree Lane, 28215 (Susan R's home). Look for a Signup Genius link to come in the future.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

APR 24	OFFICER TRAINING FINAL WEEK
APR 26	MISSIONS LUNCH w/ PASTOR WONG
MAY 01	ROOTS CLASS (RESCHEDULED)
MAY 03	LORD'S SUPPER
MAY 11	WOMEN'S POTLUCK DINNER
MAY 17	LORD'S SUPPER
MAY 26	PRESBYTERY MEETING (IN CHARLOTTE)
MAY 31	GUEST PREACHER // LORD'S SUPPER

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

SONG OF RESPONSE

God is able, He will never fail
He is Almighty God
Greater than all we seek
Greater than all we ask
He has done great things

chorus

*Lifted up He defeated the grave
Raised to life our God is able
In His Name we overcome
For the our God is able*

God is with us, God is on our side
He will make a way
Far above all we know
Far above all we hope
He has done great things

bridge

God is with us
He will go before
He will never leave us
He will never leave us
God is for us
He has open arms
He will never fail us
He will never fail us

ending

For the Lord our God is able
For the Lord our God is able

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN
H. Lyte | B. Moore

Jesus, I my cross have taken / All to leave and follow Thee
Destitute, despised, forsaken / Thou from hence my all shall be
Perish every fond ambition / All I've sought or hoped or known
Yet how rich is my condition / God and heaven are still my own

Let the world despise and leave me / They have left my Savior, too
Human hearts and looks deceive me / Thou art not, like them, untrue
O while Thou dost smile upon me / God of wisdom, love, and might
Foes may hate and friends disown me / Show Thy face and all is bright

Man may trouble and distress me / 'Twill but drive me to Thy breast
Life with trials hard may press me / Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me / While Thy love is left to me
Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me / Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Go, then, earthly fame and treasure / Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service, pain is pleasure / With Thy favor, loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father / I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather / All must work for good to me

Soul, then know thy full salvation / Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station / Something still to do or bear
Think what Spirit dwells within thee / Think what Father's smiles are thine
Think that Jesus died to win thee / Child of heaven, canst thou repine

Haste thee on from grace to glory / Armed by faith, and winged by prayer
Heaven's eternal days before thee / God's own hand shall guide us there
Soon shall close thy earthly mission / Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days
Hope shall change to glad fruition / Faith to sight, and prayer to praise

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US
S. Townsend

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no pow'r's, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

PASTORAL PRAYER

MR. MIKE SCHNEE



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

"THE ROUTE TO ROYALTY"

1 SAMUEL 19-20

I. SINISTER OPPOSITION

II. PROFOUND PRESERVATION

III. PRESSING UP AGAINST PAIN & PERIL — 1 SAM 20

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) How do you generally EXPECT life to look? Convenient and viably self-indulgent? ... OR confusing and messy? When (and why) was the last time you *actually realized* that you were living in a war zone?
- 2) What are 2 specific ways in which you have experienced opposition, affliction, and/or suffering in life? ...How has God preserved you in the midst of it?
- 3) What is one thing that you are currently avoiding - because it is too painful and/or perilous - that you will deliberately decide to move toward - and press up against - today?
- 4) What are 2 specific ways you can grapple with - and fight the good fight of - getting the gracious promises, and preserving love, of God into your REAL life?