

I. Introduction

A. For what sort of people is the gospel Paul preaches?

B. What groups of people does the Apostle indict in Romans 1-2?

II. Main Argument

A. **Suppression of Truth (vv. 18-23)**

1. Wrath Revealed (v. 18a)

a. How is this section linked with the rest of Romans 1?

b. How is God's wrath consistent with God's love?

2. Cause of Wrath (v. 18b)

3. Justness of Wrath (vv. 19-21a)

a. For what are people left without excuse?

b. What two things have the people in view here failed to do?

4. Expression of Wrath (vv. 21b-23)

a. How is God's wrath manifested?

b. How does Paul depict these idolaters?

5. **Application**

a. *Failure to worship leads to what?*

b. *Who has lost touch with reality?*

B. **Exchange of Truth (vv. 24-25)**

1. Given Up (v. 24): How is this a judgment and possibly an act of mercy?

2. Second Exchange (v. 25a): How is this judgment of God quite fitting?

3. Doxology (v. 25b)

C. **Exchange of Nature (vv. 26-27)**

1. Third Exchange: Are all sins equal?

2. Unnatural (vv. 26b-27a): What is the result of the exchange?

3. Contemporary Issues

a. Is this simply condemning abuse of authority?

b. Is this simply condemning people acting contrary to their true selves?

4. Penalty (v. 27b): What does Paul have in view?

5. **Application**

a. *Prevalence of Unnatural Activity, Passion in Society*

b. *Special Danger of Unnatural Desires, Actions*

c. *Welcoming All*

d. *The Same Gospel*

D. **Debasing of Mind**

1. Given Over (v. 28)

2. Vice List (vv. 29-31): Why do people sin?

3. Virtue Known (v. 32)

a. What is the danger of encouraging evil and sin?

b. **Application**: *How can you be patriotic and counter-cultural?*

III. Conclusion:

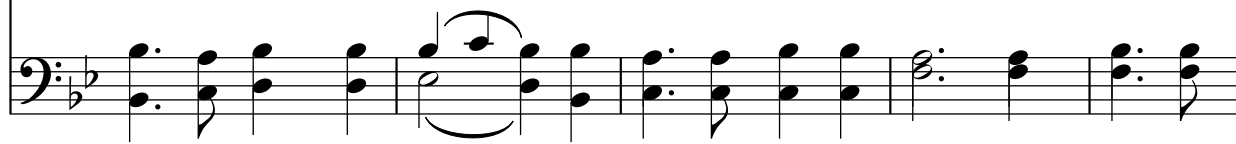
THE LORD'S DAY EVENING
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OCTOBER 10, 2021 | 6:00 p.m.



1. ¹The heav'ns a - bove de - clare the glo - ry of our God; and
2. ³No lan - guage do they use, nor an - y spo - ken word; they
3. God set a tent in heav'n, a dwell - ing for the sun, ⁵which,
4. ⁶The sun goes forth in might from heav - en's far - thest end and
5. ⁷The per - fect law of God will make the soul re - vive; his



what his hands have made the skies pro - claim a - broad. ²For day by
ut - ter not a sound and yet their voice is heard. ⁴Through - out the
• like a bride - groom, leaves his wed - ding tent at dawn, and like a
runs its course a - bove un - til the day is spent. Its path from
stat - utes, sure and true, will make the sim - ple wise. ⁸The pre - cepts



day they pour out speech, and night by night their knowl - edge teach.
world their voice re - sounds, their words to earth's re - mot - est bounds.
• strong, he - ro - ic man, goes forth with joy his race to run.
end to end com - plete—there's noth - ing hid - den from its heat.
of the LORD are right and fill the heart with great de - light.



***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

***THE PSALM OF PRAISE NO. 295**“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

***THE INVOCATION**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READINGIsaiah 3

THE EVENING PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE HYMN SING

***THE PSALM OF PREPARATION NO. 19**“The Heavens Above Declare”

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRomans 1:18-32

THE SERMONRev. Ryan Biese

Eternal Grace | Paul's Epistle to the Romans No. 4

“Degenerate, Dehumanizing Depravity”

***THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT NO. 518**“Christ, of All My Hopes”

***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE RESPONSE**Psalm 72:18-19

Now Blessed be the Lord Our God, the God of Israel.
For He alone does wondrous works in glory that excel.
And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity.
The whole Earth let His glory fill; amen, so let it be.