

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Evening Worship in Word & Sacrament

The Lord's Day | April 17, 2022 | 6 o'clock

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April 17, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN SING

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 401“ All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night”

*THE INVOCATION

*THE CONFESSION OF FAITHThe Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary;
suffered under Pontius Pilate;
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

*THE LAW OF GODRomans 12:9-13

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

O great and everlasting God, Who dwells in unapproachable light, Who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of the heart; we confess that we have not loved You with all our heart, nor with all our soul, nor with all our mind, nor with all our strength; nor our neighbors as ourselves.

We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with Your provisions for us. We have complained in our hearts about our family, about our friends, about our health, about our occupations, about Your church, and about our trials.

We have sought our security in those things which perish, rather than in You, the Everlasting God. Chasten, cleanse, and forgive us, through Jesus Christ, who is able for all time to save us who approach You through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for us.

THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDONRomans 6:22-23

But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*THE PSALM OF THE MONTH NO. 118“Loud Shouts of Joy and Vict’ry”

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10. ¹⁵ Loud shouts of joy and vic-t'ry fill The just's en-camp-ment site.
 11. ¹⁷ I will not pass a-way in death; No, I will sure-ly live;

"The right hand of the LORD per-forms Great deeds of val-iant might!
 And to the works the LORD has done My tes-ti-mo-ny give.

16 The LORD's right hand is lift-ed up, A-bove the high-est height.
 18 The LORD se-vere-ly chas-tened me, And stern cor-rec-tion gave;

The right hand of the LORD per-forms Great deeds of val-iant might."
 But He with-held the stroke of death, And spared me from the grave.

THE SCRIPTURE READING.....Romans 6:15-23

THE SERMON“The Reign of Abounding Grace: Life” (4)

I. **Introduction**: What portrait of life does the Apostle paint?

II. **Main Argument**

A. **Righteousness (vv. 15-16)**

1. Grace Enables Obedience (v. 15)

2. Slaves to What? (v. 16)

3. **Application**: *Grace Empowers and Enables Obedience*

B. **Sanctification (vv. 17-19)**

1. Thanksgiving (v. 17a): To whom?

2. Freedom (v. 17b): What does freedom look like?
 - a. What does the word translated *committed* include?

 - b. **Application**: *The Sufficiency of the Scripture*

3. Slavery (vv. 18-19a)
 - a. How significant is the Christian's freedom?

 - b. What limitations are there on Paul's imagery?

4. Commitment (v. 19b)

a. Complete Reversal

b. **Application**

1) *All Will Serve*

2) *The Beauty of Sanctification*

C. **Eternal Life (vv. 20-23)**

1. Shame (vv. 20-21)

a. Freedom from what?

b. Still ashamed?

2. Faithfulness (v. 22)

a. What are the ends of the two sorts of slavery compared here?

b. **Application**: *See what sin does, and hate sin.*

c. **Application**: *Love Righteousness.*

3. Earn or Receive (v. 23)

a. What is the imagery underlying “wages” here?

b. How does the Lord’s Table display the free gift?

III. **Conclusion**

*THE HYMN OF APPROACH NO. 457“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST BY FAITH

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

please hold the elements until all have been served so we may partake together

gluten free bread is available in the cups | white grape juice is available for those who cannot consume any alcohol

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE PSALM OF THANKSGIVING NO. 117“Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations” (p. 8)

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE RESPONSE NO. 733“The Doxology”

¹Praise Je - ho - vah, all ye na - tions, all ye peo - ple praise pro - claim;

²for his grace and lov - ing - kind - ness O sing prais - es to his name.

For the great - ness of his mer - cy con - stant praise to him ac - cord;

ev - er - more his truth en - dur - eth; hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord!