First Presbyterian Church Biloxi, Mississippi

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



Palm Sunday March 24, 2024

We Gather, Grow, and Go in Christ

Order for the Worship of God March 24, 2024

The members of First Presbyterian Church welcome you to our morning worship service.

Please program all communication devices to silent mode.

Assistive hearing devices are available, ask a Greeter in the narthex for assistance.

Prelude Open The Gates Of The Temple/The Palms

J.F. Knapp/J. Favre

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation & Meditation

‡Call to Worship

Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God...Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

‡Hymn No. 325 (1-3) - All Glory, Laud, and Honor

‡Prayer of Invocation

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

- 72. Does this outward washing with water itself wash away sins? A. No, only Jesus Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit cleanse us from all sins.
- 73. Why then does the Holy Spirit call baptism the water of rebirth and the washing away of sins?
- A. God has good reason for these words. To begin with, he wants to teach us that the blood and Spirit of Christ take away our sins just as water removes dirt from the body. But more importantly, he wants to assure us, by this divine pledge and sign, that we are as truly washed of our sins spiritually as our bodies are washed with water physically.
- 74. Should infants also be baptized?
- A. Yes. Infants as well as adults are included in God's covenant and people, and they, no less than adults, are promised deliverance from sin through Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit who works faith.

Therefore, by baptism, the sign of the covenant, they too should be incorporated into the Christian church and distinguished from the children of unbelievers. This was done in the Old Testament by circumcision, which was replaced in the New Testament by baptism.

Offertory

‡Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

The Administration of Baptism

Evangeline Rose Harrison

‡Hymn - Jesus Strong and Kind

Farren/Thompson/Robinson/Buchanan

Jesus said That if I thirst I should come to him No one else can satisfy I should come to him

Jesus said If I am weak I should come to him No one else can be my strength I should come to him

Chorus

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind

Jesus said That if I fear I should come to him No one else can be my shield I should come to him Chorus

Jesus said if I am lost He will come to me And he showed me on that cross He will come to me, *Chorus X1*

Pastoral Prayer

‡Reading of Scripture John 18:28–32; John 19:10-11; 31-37 (Pew Bible Pg. 904,905,906)

Sermon The Plan of Salvation Perfectly Executed Rev. Tim Horn

‡Hymn No. 326 (1-7) - My Song Is Love Unknown

‡Benediction

‡Dismissal - Gloria Patri

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.

‡Postlude

The Holy City

S. Adams

‡Congregation, please stand if able.

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Sermon Notes