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The Lord's Day, February 27, 2022

Prelude

You are great, O Lord God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

(2 Samuel 7:22, ESV)

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor John Franklin

Preparation for Worship

*Call to Worship

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

(Psalm 24:7-10, ESV)

*Hymn 277

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Congregation

Scripture Meditation

Pastor Franklin

Take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

(Ephesians 6:13-18, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin

Congregation

O Lord, we have sinned against you in grievous ways. We have set our affections on things below, when they should have been set on things above. We have been consumed with the pursuit of vanities that lie to us. We have even forsaken your mercies that you have so graciously offered to us. We have been full of care about what we will eat, what we will drink, and how we will be clothed. Instead of seeking first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, we have focused our whole life on things central to godless unbelievers. We have set our affection on things that are seen, which last only for a little awhile. But the things that will continue throughout eternity we have disbelieved, postponed, or forgotten. O Lord, forgive us of our sins of idolatry. Amen.

Matthew Henry (A Way to Pray, 42)

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

(Romans 10:9-10, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Franklin

His Tithes and Our Offerings

*The Doxology Congregation

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn 499 Rock of Ages Congregation

Children's Message

(Children aged 3 to 5 years dismissed to Children's Church Program)

Scripture Reading John 3:9-15

Sermon "Walk By Faith" Pastor Franklin

*Hymn 423 According to Thy Gracious Word Congregation

*Confession of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

^{*}Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn 465 Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord Congregation

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 The Gloria Patri

Congregation

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

Today at Olivet

8:45 am Early Prayer (in Pastor Chip's study). Join us!

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Morning Worship Service (w/ Communion)

4:00 pm Missions Committee meeting

5:00 pm Choir Practice

6:00 pm Children's Ministries (Kingdom Kids, Sonbeams, Nursery) Bible Study

This Week at Olivet

Monday Small Group Bible Study- Hosted by Brian and Scharlie Carlisle, 6:30-

8:00 pm.

Wednesday Youth Group Meets, 6 pm

Prayer Meeting, 7 pm (in the Sanctuary)

Looking Ahead (Please mark your calendars)

March 13 Congregational Meeting to Elect Deacons (after Morning Worship)

March 20 Annual Missions Conference with Rev. Archie Moore

March 27 Ordination and Installation of Deacons (during Morning Worship)

April 17 Easter Services

June 5-9 Vacation Bible School

June 20-24 PCA General Assembly (Birmingham, Alabama)

Collection Duty

February Jamie Clinton, Johnny Hawley

Church Budget Matters

Budget requirements to date \$35,235.36 Receipts to date \$33,854.46

Faith Promise for World Missions 2021

2021 Faith Promise pledged, April 30, 2021: \$20,652.00 2021 Faith Promise received to date: \$23,666.00

Nursery Team

Today (2/27) Laws, Gracie Horton

Next Sunday (3/6) Donna McArthur, Carlisle

Children's Church Team

Today (2/27) Laws, Peggy Covington, Roy Clinton (Alternate)

Next Sunday (3/6) Brian Carlisle, Toni Clinton, Megan Covington (Alternate)

*Alternates serve only as needed.

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a congregational meeting for March 13th, 2022, for the purpose of holding an election for our four deacon nominees. These men have been through officer training with Pastor Chip and have been vetted and approved as qualified (1 Timothy 3) to hold office as a deacon in the Church of Jesus Christ. These four men are Brian Carlisle, Brent Christenberry, Lee Guempel, and Michael Laws. The meeting will take place directly following morning worship.

Communicants Class

A Communicants Class is being planned for near future. If your covenant child has expressed interest in becoming a communing member, and you parents believe they are ready to take this important step in making a public profession of their faith in Jesus Christ, then we'd like to talk with you further about this possibility. You can reach out to either Pastor Chip or Pastor John. We'd like to talk further with you about your child's walk with the Lord and their growth in grace.

Devotional Helps

Copies of the latest editions of *Tabletalk Magazine* and *Our Daily Bread* are available for your taking in the vestibule. There you'll also find copies of the latest edition of the PCA's *ByFaith* magazine. Please help yourself to these free resources to help you grow in grace.