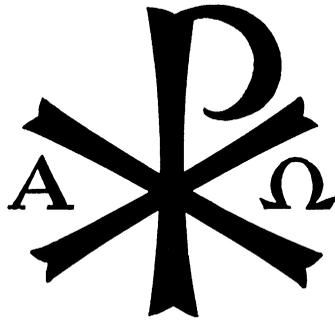


LORD'S DAY

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*Upon entering the sanctuary, please be sensitive
to the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make sure
all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-

Welcome and Silent Prayer

Great are you, O Lord, and highly to be praised; great is your power and your wisdom immeasurable. We desire to praise you, human beings carrying the witness of our sin and the knowledge that you resist the proud. Stir us, we pray, to take pleasure in praising you, because you have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Amen.

—Adapted from Augustine's Confessions

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 95.1-3, 6-7

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise to God**

Hymn No. 119

I SING THE ALMIGHTY POWER OF GOD

-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-

Confession of Sin

O Lord, you promised that if we confess our sins, you are faithful and just and will forgive us. Humbly we come, seeking your forgiveness; that we may know the joy of your presence, the light of your face. You alone know our hearts: how often we have offended you, how often we have offended others. Forgive us, Lord, for every unkind thought, every false word, every wrong act. Forgive us, for we have lived not for you, but for ourselves. Forgive us for failing to give you thanks, for our neglect of prayer, our ignorance of your Word, our loss of purpose. Heavenly Father, have mercy on us. Create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us; by the blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silently add your own confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53.4-6

***Song of Praise to Christ**

Hymn No. 166

WONDROUS KING, ALL-GLORIOUS

Confession of Faith

Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life,¹ did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.²

Prayer for the Church and the World

-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-

Sermon

“The Quiet Ways of Divine Providence”

1 Kings 20.1-43

Rev. Ron Gonzales

Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

**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.

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¹ “...even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him” (Eph 1.4).

² “But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe” (Rom 3.21-22). “Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe” (Gal 3.21-22).

-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-

The Lord's Supper

All who are baptized Christians, living under the authority of Christ and his body, the church, are warmly invited to partake of the Supper. We will partake together after everyone has been served. By eating the bread and drinking the cup, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here but commend to you instead the following prayer for your use during this time.

A Prayer for those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

A Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false pleasure to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

***Song of Commitment**

Hymn No. 562

ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER

-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-

***Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13.14

Gatherings

Home Fellowship Group, led by Pastor Ron, meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Chad and Heidi Leinweber's, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They are studying 1 Kings and all are welcome.

The Men's Group meets Fridays, from 6:00 to 7:00 AM, in the Coffee Hour room. They are going through a series, led by Kirk Alden, entitled "Leading by the Book," in which fifty-two leadership principles related to personal development, relationships, and life skills are studied from a biblical perspective. All men and older sons are invited!

A Men's Leadership Bible Study, led by Kirk Alden, meets at Tate's Umapine Mercantile on Thursdays, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All men are invited. For more information, talk to Kirk.

Prayer Meeting: We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 5:15 PM in the sanctuary, to pray for one another, for the kingdom, and the world. Please join us.

The Covenant Women's Study, led by Jenni Early, is studying the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5-7), on Tuesdays, from 7:00 to 8:30 AM, in the Coffee Hour room. All women are welcome, and copies of the passage and questions for next week are available on the literature table.

Sermon Notes: "The Quiet Ways of Divine Providence" (1 Kings 20.1-43)

Prayer Concerns

48th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America: Some fifteen hundred teaching and ruling elders will meet this week in St. Louis for our annual General Assembly in order to consider, among other things, forty-seven overtures that have been submitted by several Presbyteries. Pray for our deliberations, that they honor God, are faithful to his Word, and are a help to the cause of Christ.

I Am With You Wherever You Go: The LORD said to Joshua, “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go” (Josh 1.9). In addition to strength and healing, pray that *Sandy Cupolillo, Mike Givens, Tom Manning, Elizabeth Miller, and Vickie Myers* draw courage this week from God’s enabling presence.

The Persecuted Church: There are 33 million Christians out of 270 million people living in *Indonesia*. The church has been wracked with adversity, including deadly suicide bombings and earthquakes that have left Christians reeling. While the government tightens the country’s blasphemy laws, most problems for believers and churches come from confrontations with radical Islamic groups that continue to exert significant influence. Pray for believers who are recovering from the loss of family members killed in recent church bombings. Pray for Christian converts from Islam, as they live under tightening anti-conversion laws. And pray that God would open the eyes of Muslim extremists and those exploring radical Islamic ideology, drawing each one to himself.

Announcements

General Assembly: For those interested in live streaming GA, a link will be posted on Tuesday at pcaac.org. The Assembly begins with a worship service at 4:30 PM (PT) on Tuesday. There will be business and worship Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and if needed, Friday morning. Schedules can be found on the literature table, but please note: the times on the schedule are all Central Time.

Pastor Ron & Cherry will leave tomorrow for General Assembly, followed by a week’s vacation in Wisconsin. In his absence, Isaac Baugh (pastoral intern at Covenant OPC in Kennewick) will preach here next Sunday, and Rev. Pete Williamson will preach on July 11.

Women’s Recharge: Come learn to study the Bible with your sisters. Covenant women will be putting on a women’s fellowship and workshop on Saturday, July 17, at the church, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Jenni Early (509-240-9979) so we know how much food to prepare. Older girls are welcome, as long as they are able to sit through some listening and quiet study time.