

Sunday, November 15, 2009

Reflections

“It is an honoring and glorifying of God by gratefully offering back to Him all the good gifts, and the knowledge of his greatness and graciousness, that he has given. It involves praising him for what he is, thanking him for what he has done.”

- JI Packer, Concise Theology

The coming revival must begin with a great revival of prayer. It is in the closet, with the door shut, that the sound of abundance of rain will first be heard. An increase of secret prayer with ministers will be the sure harbinger of blessing. - Andrew Murray

Sunday Worship Service Participants

November 15

Greeter - Laura Sterrett

Childcare Workers - Paula Townsend and Aaron Brooks

Scripture Reading - Jaime Bean

November 22

Greeter - Matt Oquist

Childcare Workers - Laura Sterrett and Bill Townsend

Scripture Reading - Jonathan Claggett

November 29

Greeter - Les Mason

Childcare Workers - April Claggett and Michael Sterrett

Scripture Reading - Aaron Brooks

Service of Praise

Prelude

We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 72:18-19

Leader: Praise be to the LORD God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvelous deeds.

People: Praise be to his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen and Amen.

***Hymn of Praise**

Hallelujah! Thine the Glory
Number 179 in Trinity Hymnal

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

I Will Glory in My Redeemer
See page 4

**Congregation standing*

Confession of Sin

We confess to you, our God, and before one another
that we have sinned greatly, in thought, word, and deed.
We have offended your holiness.
We have failed to love our neighbor.
We have followed the devices of our own hearts
and have spurned the promptings of your Spirit.
Through our own fault, we have deserved your judgment.
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us and hear our prayer. Amen.

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A Moment of Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 1:13-14

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

* + Hymn of Thanks

Lamb of God

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**Congregation standing*

+Young children may be dismissed at this time.

Call to Commitment

Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 10:11-25 (ESV)

¹¹And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, ¹⁶"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws on their hearts,
and write them on their minds,"

¹⁷ then he adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Prayer of Intercession

Sermon

God Regrets?

Genesis 5:28-6:8 (ESV)

²⁸When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son ²⁹and called his name Noah, saying, "Out of the ground that the LORD has cursed this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands." ³⁰Lamech lived after he fathered Noah 595 years and had other sons and daughters. ³¹Thus all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died.

³²After Noah was 500 years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

¹When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, ²the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. ³Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years." ⁴The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown.

⁵The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶And the LORD was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷So the LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

***Hymn of Response**

Out of the Deep I Call

Number 490 in Trinity Hymnal

**Congregation standing*

Sermon Outline

Biblical Text

Who are the “sons of God”?

Who are the Nephilim?

What is the problem with the marriages?

3 Theories

1. Sethites & Cainites

2. Fallen Angels & Humanity

3. Kings & Common Folk

Job 1:6, 2 Peter 2:4, Jude 6

The Nephilim => “Giants”

God Regrets?

Application

You are not a regret.

1 Peter 2:9-10

Service of Communion

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Guidelines for Reception of Communion

Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, it is important that you carefully consider the claims of the gospel and the grace that is offered through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to talk with an elder of the church and spend this time now in prayer and meditation on the scriptures in the bulletin.

Scripture Verses for Those Not Communing

Surely our griefs He Himself bore, and our sorrows He carried; yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was pierced through for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed. All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.

- Isaiah 53:4-6

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”

- John 3:16-18

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

- John 14:6

Knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Romans 6:6-8, 22-23

***Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

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 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 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 Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Congregation standing*

***Song of Benediction**

Gloria Patri

Number 734 in Trinity Hymnal

Gloria Patri

Text: 2nd century, traditional
Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

Piano

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Ghost: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world with-out

end. A - - - men, a - - - men.

***Benediction**

Announcements

(Please be seated)

*Congregation standing

Announcements*

Thanksgiving offering: We will be taking up an offering today for Wenderson Freitas. The money will be split between the church he is working with and his tuition at seminary.

Church of the Redeemer in Manchester, NH will hold its organizational service on Sunday, December 13 at 4 p.m. Location TBA. Please mark it on your calendars!

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, December 20, we will be gathering as a church family for a Christmas celebration. If you know of a location in the Nashua area where we could have a brief service followed by refreshments, please see Jason, Laura, or Jenn. Thanks!

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Prayer	Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	4 p.m.	Discipleship Explored	Eng Home
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Small Group	Claggett Home
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Small Group	Brooks Home

Budget Information:

Five Months Data June thru October 2009

Regular Giving	\$27,199.10
<i>(excl. Mercy Fund, Building Fund, and Marvis Memorial)</i>	
Fund Raising	\$3,390.00
Total Giving (Income)	\$30,589.10
Actual Expenses (excl. Mercy Fund)	\$37,766.46
Budget	\$41,261.43
Shortfall to Expense (Income - Expense)	(\$7,177.36)
Shortfall to Budget (Income - Budget)	(\$10,672.33)

**If you have any announcements, please contact the Oquists.
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