

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

April 9, 2023

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn # 76.....**"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"**

* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Psalm 31:1-13

CONFESSION OF SIN

From Leading in Worship (1996).....read responsively

O Lord our God, we come to You as Your sons and servants, grateful for the redemption that is ours in Jesus Christ, and yet aware of our continuing need of Your grace.

We confess that we have sinned against You.

We have broken Your commandments.

We have fallen short of Your glory.

We have not loved You with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength.

We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We were born in sin and have continued to sin.

Yet You warn that whoever keeps the whole law and stumbles at one point is guilty of all.

We acknowledge our guilt. We rightly fall under Your curse and judgment.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, in Jesus name.

Blot out our transgressions. Wash us from our iniquities; deliver us from bloodguiltiness.

Forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Remove our transgressions as far as the east is from the west.

Cast all our sins behind Your back and remember them no more.

We pray through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

"He... bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness – by whose stripes you were healed."

1 Pet. 2:24

Therefore I declare to you, that

"...you who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and blameless, and above reproach in His sight."

Col. 1: 21-22

Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

* Hymn # 251.....**"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"**

* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Matthew 27:45-56

The Westminster Shorter Catechism.....read responsively

Q. 33. What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Q. 34. What is adoption?

A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.

Q. 35. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology.....page xvi

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn # 252.....**"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

* Reading of the Word of God.....Luke 23:39-43

Sermon: "Two Thieves".....Dr. Jones

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Congregation Standing

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

- * Hymn # 286....."Worship Christ, the Risen King!"
- * Benediction
- * Congregational Threefold Amen

Luke 23:39-43 (NKJV)

³⁹ Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." ⁴⁰ But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." ⁴³ And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

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Pastor

" To Glorify God, and Enjoy Him Forever "

DeRidder Presbyterian Church Announcements

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We welcome all worshippers, especially our new visitors.
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

COMMUNION – We observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship. The center cups contain grape juice for those who cannot partake of the wine in good conscience.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – Please take the time now to mark the places in your Bibles for the Scripture readings later in the service.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL – Next Sunday we will have a Fellowship Meal at the church. Please plan now to attend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – Happy Birthday to Leah Prudhomme, this Thursday, April 13.

BIBLE STUDY – This Wednesday we will continue our Bible Study, *Fighting Satan: Knowing His Weaknesses, Strategies, and Defeat* by Joel Beeke. Please read Chapter 5, and answer the questions on page 76.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.
Fellowship & Coffee.....10:30 A.M.
Corporate Worship.....11:00 A.M.
This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....<https://youtu.be/r1dOOIRJdog>

Wednesday

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.

Pregnancy Care Center

420 McMahon Street
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(337) 463-9500

Office Hours:
Tues. and Wed. 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

DeRidder Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

THE CHURCH

DeRidder PC.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal
Vanguard Presbytery.....Meeting April 21, Trinity PC, Slidell, LA
Vanguard Presbyterian Church
Persecuted Christians.....Afghanistan; China

MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers
Bill Carr (Native American Ministry Regional Director)..... Fargo, ND
Pregnancy Care Center.....Financial needs; wisdom for board and volunteers

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN (Under Age 20)

Laynie Burch (com member) Aria Morrison (non com member)
Abigail Godwin (assoc member) Kamden Waldrop (com member)
Matthew Lungrin (com member) Kenna Waldrop (com member)
Theresa Lungrin (non com member)

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Chaplain Steven and Sarah Lanclos & family (Navy).....Okinawa, Japan
Steven Lungrin.....LA National Guard
Jon and Rita Munson & family....Jon to DC until November; Rita in GA with children
Adrian and Stephanie Stark & family.....Fort Polk
Cody and Caitlin Waldrop & family.....Fort Polk

GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Pam (Bruce’s sister).....Salvation
Doug Barberousse.....Back pain
Don and Cheryl Dobson (Griffith’s friends).....General health
Jim Fritsch (Elder in Vanguard Presbytery, in San Antonio).....Stroke
Robert Griffith.....Disc problem in lower back
Kent Jacobs (Lessie’s cousin).....Needs kidney transplant
Ron Ladwig (Lisa’s nephew).....Three strokes
Greg Prudhomme.....Back and knees, recovery from back surgery

CANCER

Mollie Anderson.....Breast cancer in remission
Brenda Brown (Chris Brown’s mother).....Cancer recurrence; recovery from Covid
Sam Crifasse (friend of Doug’s).....Bladder cancer in remission
Stella Hodge (Bruce’s mother).....Salvation; breast cancer
Rita Munson.....Ovarian Clear Cell Carcinoma (OCCC) in remission
Pamela Roper.....Slow growing kidney cancer under observation
Marge Smith.....Lung cancer in remission
Janice Wright.....Cancer in remission

TWO THIEVES

Text: Luke 23:39–43

I. CHRIST'S CRUCIFIXION

A. The Method Of Christ's Death

B. The Agony Of Christ's Death

II. THE TWO THIEVES

A. An Insult To The Jews

B. Their Attitude Toward Jesus

III. THREE CROSSES

A. Salvation Pictured

B. Salvation Delivered

C. The Believing Thief's Example

D. How About You?