

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

May 2, 2021

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Ps. 37:5-9

Commit your way to the LORD,
Trust also in Him, and He will do it.
 He will bring forth your righteousness as the light
And your judgment as the noonday.
 Rest in the LORD and wait patiently for Him;
Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way,
 Because of the man who carries out wicked schemes.
Cease from anger and forsake wrath;
 Do not fret; it leads only to evildoing.
For evildoers will be cut off,
 But those who wait for the LORD, they will inherit the land.

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn # 370....."Revive Thy Work, O Lord"

* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Job 12:13-25

CONFESSION OF SIN

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
 If we confess our sins,
**he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us
 from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8-9

Let us, therefore, humbly confess our sins unto our heavenly Father saying,

Almighty and most merciful God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, in word, and in deed;

That we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, nor with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We beseech you, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and, by your mercy, to direct what we shall be, so that we may henceforth walk in the way of your commandments, and do those things which are pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.
Lk. 19:10

Therefore I declare to you, that:

If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.
Rom. 10:9

Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

* Hymn # 444....."O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling"

* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Matthew 7:7-14

The Westminster Shorter Catechism.....read responsively

Q. 38. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology.....page xvi

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn # 455....."And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

* Reading of the Word of God.....Mark 4:21-34

Sermon: "Parables of the Kingdom".....Dr. Jones

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

* Hymn # 476....."The Light of the World Is Jesus"

* Benediction

* Congregational Threefold Amen

Mark 4:21-34 (NASB)

²¹ And He was saying to them, "A lamp is not brought to be put under a basket, is it, or under a bed? Is it not *brought* to be put on the lampstand? ²² "For nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has *anything* been secret, but that it would come to light. ²³ "If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear." ²⁴ And He was saying to them, "Take care what you listen to. By your standard of measure it will be measured to you; and more will be given you besides. ²⁵ "For whoever has, to him *more* shall be given; and whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him." ²⁶ And He was saying, "The kingdom of God is like a man who casts seed upon the soil; ²⁷ and he goes to bed at night and gets up by day, and the seed sprouts and grows—how, he himself does not know. ²⁸ "The soil produces crops by itself; first the blade, then the head, then the mature grain in the head. ²⁹ "But when the crop permits, he immediately puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." ³⁰ And He said, "How shall we picture the kingdom of God, or by what parable shall we present it? ³¹ "It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the soil, though it is smaller than all the seeds that are upon the soil, ³² yet when it is sown, it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and forms large branches; so that THE BIRDS OF THE AIR can NEST UNDER ITS SHADE." ³³ With many such parables He was speaking the word to them, so far as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ and He did not speak to them without a parable; but He was explaining everything privately to His own disciples.

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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.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY – Happy Anniversary to Greg and Lorraine Prudhomme, this Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

BIBLE STUDY – This Wednesday we will continue our Bible Study. Please study Lord’s Day 38 from the Heidelberg Catechism.

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/shortWFaVqQ>

Wednesday

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

Community Pregnancy Center

420 McMahon Street
DeRidder, Louisiana 70634
(337) 463-9500

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

DeRidder Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

THE CHURCH

FRPC.....Meeting place destroyed by hurricane; future plans
DeRidder PC.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal
Vanguard Presbytery
Persecuted Christians.....Pastor Wang Yi & Early Rain Covenant Church, China
Pastor James Coates & GraceLife Church, Canada
Pastor Steve Richardson & Faith Presbyterian Church, Canada

MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers
Bill Carr.....Mokahum Ministry Center (Native American Ministry) in Bemidji, MN
Scott Clement.....(RE Plains PCA, Zachary) Navojoa, Sonora, Mexico
Pregnancy Care Center.....Financial needs; wisdom for board and volunteers

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Sarah (Jones) Lanclos.....Girl (Emma); due May 12, 2021

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

(Under Age 20)

Abigail Godwin (assoc member) Aria Morrison (non com member)
Matthew Lungrin (com member) Cora Saladin (assoc member)
Theresa Lungrin (non com member) Evelyn Saladin (assoc member)

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Chaplain Ken and Sarah Godwin & family.....Fort Polk
Chaplain Sebastian and Saemi Kim & family.....Fort Polk
Greg and Ariann Gillen & family.....Fort Polk
Steven Lungrin.....Deployed
Patrick McCrary (USMC).....Deployed
Jon and Rita Munson & family.....Fort Gordon
Joe and Erin Saladin & family.....Fort Polk

GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Becky Barberousse.....Knee pain
Doug Barberousse.....Slow heart rate; arrhythmia
Gary Clowers.....Covid; pneumonia; recovery from heart surgery March 19
Pam (Bruce’s sister).....Salvation
Kendra Joseph.....Success of ITP treatments
Greg Prudhomme.....Back and knee injury; scar tissue in right eye
Joe Saladin.....Recovery from back surgery
Ellis Smith.....Hip pain
Mitch Thompson.....Back and mobility problems
Janice Wright.....Multiple blood clots; unknown disease

CANCER

Mollie Anderson.....Breast cancer in remission
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery
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); immunotherapy success
Marian Richardson.....Cancer; benign tumor in ear
Marge Smith.....Lung cancer
Anna Wiggins.....Lymphoma; MD Anderson

PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

Text: Mark 4:21–34

I. THE LIGHT OF THE KINGDOM

A. The Lamp

B. The Revelation

C. The Measure

II. THE POWER OF THE KINGDOM

A. Sowing

B. Growing

C. Harvest

III. THE GROWTH OF THE KINGDOM

A. A Small Beginning

B. A Great Ending

C. Concealing And Revealing