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**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Sunday, February 07, 2021**

**Prelude**

Margaret Bradly, Organ

**Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 67:4-5**

“Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!”

**\*Hymn of Praise**

**“Hallelujah! Thine the Glory”**

**#179**

We praise thee, O God! For the days of our youth,  
For the bright lamp that shineth the Word of thy truth

**Refrain**

Hallelujah! Thine the glory, halleluia! we sing;  
Hallelujah!! Thine the glory, our praise now we bring

We praise thee, O God! For the Son of thy love,  
For Jesus who died and is now gone above. **Refrain**

We praise thee, O God! for thy Spirit of light,  
Who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night. **Refrain.**

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,  
Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed every stain! **Refrain**

**\*Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**Call to Confession**

**Psalm 5:1-2**

“Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray.”

## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Psalm 5:8**

“Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies; make your way straight before me.”

## **Extending Christ’s Grace**

**TWIG**

**Mrs. Callie Cowen**

### **\*Hymn of Response**

**“Rock of Ages”**

**#499**

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed  
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law’s demands;  
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;  
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;  
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,  
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

## **Scripture Reading**

**James 1: 19-27**

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore, put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

## **Pastoral Prayer**

**Rev. David Stewart**

## **\*Scripture Reading**

**Mark 3:7-35**

Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great crowd followed, from Galilee and Judea and Jerusalem and Idumea and from beyond the Jordan and from around Tyre and Sidon. When the great crowd heard all that he was doing, they came to him. And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they crush him, for he had healed many, so that all who had diseases pressed around him to touch him. And whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God.” And he strictly ordered them not to make him known. And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach and have authority to cast out demons. He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind. And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.” Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness but is guilty of an eternal sin”— or they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.” And his mother and his brothers came and standing outside they sent to him and called him. And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

**Sermon**

**“A Far-Reaching Gospel”**

**Rev. David Stewart**

**I. Pressing Crowds**

**II. True Family**

**The Lord’s Supper**

**\*Hymn of Response**

**“Jesus Calls Us”**

**#591**

Jesus calls us; o’er the tumult of our life’s wild, restless sea,  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, “Christian, follow me.”

As of old, apostles hear it by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world’s golden store  
from each idol that would keep us, saying, “Christian, love me more.”

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, “Christian, love me more than these.”

Jesus calls us; by thy mercies, Savior may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

**\*Benediction**

**1 Thessalonians 5:13-22**

“Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.”

**\*Three-fold Amen**

**\*Indicates congregation will stand, if able**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thursday Bible Study Groups to continue in January

2:00 p.m. – home of Ann Eyster; study of John; Bob Rhodes, leader

6:30 p.m. – home of Andy/Carole Mitchell; study of Exodus; Andy Mitchell, leader

7:00 p.m. – home of David/Wendy Stewart; study of Galatians; David Stewart, leader

We will be creating a new directory for this year within the next month. If you have any changes to your information, please inform the church office as soon as possible at [gracelakesuzy@gmail.com](mailto:gracelakesuzy@gmail.com).

Wi-Fi access – *GracePCA* | *Grace0777*

Please maintain distance between families as best as possible. Please fellowship outside unless there is inclement weather.

There is an offering box in the back of the sanctuary for tithes and offerings.

01/24/21/Offering \$ 4,665.00  
YTD Offering \$13,055.50  
YTD Budget \$12,460.00  
Building Fund \$ 240.00

01/31/21 Offering \$ 2,801.00  
YTD Offering \$15,856.50  
YTD Budget \$15,575.00  
Building Fund \$ 20.00

## **Missions Month!**

February 2021 is Missions Month, and due to the changes in our meeting habits we will be changing how we emphasize our mission's efforts.

This year's theme for our Missions Month is:

### **Engaging Missions in the Digital Age**

This year's Project: Support is for **TWIG**, which is a mission to foster children headquartered in Venice FL. Please join us at 9:15 a.m. for Missions insights:

<b>February 7</b>	<b>About the TWIG project</b>
<b>February 14</b>	<b>The Martins- Via Zoom</b>
<b>February 21</b>	<b>Melissa Gordon, from Pregnancy Solutions</b>
<b>February 28</b>	<b>The Jennings – Via Zoom</b>



QR code to go to our Mission Festival website.

## **GRACE SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES/AGENCIES**

Agape Flights – Venice, FL  
Carter, Michael & Cathalain – MTW – Nagoya, Japan  
Child Evangelism Fellowship – Charlotte County, FL  
Grady, Miriam & son Evan – MTW – Czech Republic  
Jean-Rejouis, Davidson & Katie – MTW – France  
Collin & Zury – RUF Global  
Knaebel, Chris & Rebecca – Church Planting – Sarasota, FL  
Lennox, Patrick & Regina – MTW – Native Americans  
Martin, Jeremy & Angel – Serge – London, England  
Matlack, Ken & Tammie – MTW – Global Initiative to Mobilizing Intercessory Prayer  
Pregnancy Solutions – Port Charlotte, FL  
Stevens, Carla – MTW – Christian Educational Consultant  
Tanner, Lucas – RUF – Florida Gulf Coast University  
Young Life – Port Charlotte, FL

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