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THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, February 21, 2021

Prelude

Margaret Bradly, Organ

*Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1-5

“ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.”

*Hymn of Praise

“A Mighty Fortress”

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A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing,
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow’r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing
were not the right man on our side, the man of God’s own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he, Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! His doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow’rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth,
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill;
God’s truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

*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 103:8-9

“The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.”

Prayer of Confession

O You whose chosen dwelling is the heart that longs for Your presence and humbly seeks Your love; we come to You to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, and with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, or for the good we have left undone. But You, O Lord, are full of compassion and grace, slow to anger and abounding in mercy; there is forgiveness with You. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us the word that we need, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:11-12

“For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”

Extending Christ’s Grace – Mrs. Melissa Gordon, Pregnancy Solutions

*Hymn of Response

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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Guide me O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
strong Deliv’rer strong Deliv’rer, be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell’s Destruction, land me safe on Canaan’s side.
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts. ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Joseph Yerger

*Scripture Reading

Mark 4:35 – 5:20

³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶ And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. ³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. ³⁸ But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹ And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹ And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

⁵ They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes.^[a] ² And when Jesus^[b] had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ³ He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, ⁴ for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains, he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. ⁶ And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. ⁷ And crying out with a loud voice, he said, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me.” ⁸ For he was saying to him, “Come out of the man, you unclean

spirit!”⁹ And Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He replied, “My name is Legion, for we are many.”¹⁰ And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country.¹¹ Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside,¹² and they begged him, saying, “Send us to the pigs; let us enter them.”¹³ So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.¹⁴ The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened.¹⁵ And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid.¹⁶ And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs.¹⁷ And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region.¹⁸ As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him.¹⁹ And he did not permit him but said to him, “Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.”²⁰ And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

Sermon

“A Powerful Gospel”

Rev. David Stewart

I. Fear of Circumstances

II. A Proper Fear

III. Fear of Judgment

IV. Fear of God’s Sovereignty

***Hymn of Response**

“Amazing Grace”

#460

Amazing grace! – how sweet the sound – that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

“Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shinning as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

***Benediction**

Numbers 6: 24-26

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”

***Three-fold Amen**

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

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.

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.

02/14/21 Offering	\$ 3,446.00
YTD Offering	\$22,031.50
YTD Budget	\$21,805.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
Benevolence	\$ 150.00

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:

February 21 **Melissa Gordon, from Pregnancy Solutions**

February 28 **The Jennings – Via Zoom**



QR code to go to our Mission Festival website.

TWIG items that are immediately needed

Teen girl sports bras

Girls Lightweight nightgowns/pajamas

Men's boxer briefs (all sizes)

Teen boys – Graphic T-shirts

Boys Lightweight pajamas

Boys pants (joggers, khakis) size 7-14

Men's pajama pants

Teen boys low cut socks

Gift cards to: Walmart, Burlington, Bealls Outlet, Ross, Marshalls

You're Invited -Come join us for Pizza and Dessert Pies

Agape Flights Pie in the Sky

100 Airport Avenue East

Venice, FL 34285

March 6, 2021 11:30 -2:00 P.M.

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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