

ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 26, 2021

OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

† *Pastor:* Let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

Congregation: We give thanks to the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.

Psalm 145:1-3



Lift up your hearts...

We lift them up to the Lord!

† COLLECT & 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 have forgiven 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.

† **Congregational Singing**

Rejoice the Lord is King—326

OUR LORD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.

For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven;

but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:17-20



AN INVITATION TO CONFESS
OUR SINS

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Almighty God, You are holy and our sins are ever before You. We humbly acknowledge our sins and offenses because we have sinned against You and against one another. We have sinned in what we have done and in what we have left undone. We have sinned with our thoughts, with our desires, and by our speech. We confess our sins because You are a merciful God; You have shown Yourself to be a loving and welcoming Father to all who turn to You. For the sake of Jesus, Your Son, show us mercy and forgive us all our offenses. Hear and forgive as we pause now to confess our sins...

[we pause in prayer, and then conclude together...]

O Lord, we give You thanks for Your kindness and abundant pardon; provided through Your Son who has died for us, taking the penalty which was our due, and You have received us in Him. Now grant, most merciful Lord, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, and this to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God*—415

† ABSOLUTION: Our Assurance of Forgiveness is declared
“In the Name of God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit”
“Thanks be to God!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Be Pleased to Save Me* [Psalm 70]—insert



THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We join together praying for the church, one another, and the world

OUR LORD TEACHES US FROM HIS WORD

**Scripture Lesson from
the Old Testament**
Exodus 13:11-16

**Scripture Lesson from
the New Testament**
Acts 11:1-18

“This is the Word of the Lord”
“Thanks be to God!”

† **Gospel Lesson**—John 19:1-9

“This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ”
“Praise be to Christ!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Gloria Patri*—436

Sermon Text

1 John 2:12-14

Sermon

Children, Fathers, Young Men

Pastor Jeff Niell

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *I Will Extol You God My King* [Psalm 145] vv.1-4—insert

‡ The congregation is invited to kneel

† The congregation is invited to stand

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE

We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *The Doxology*
As the offering is brought forward, we lift our hearts, hands, and voices in thankful praise...

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

OUR LORD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE

Definition of Chalcedon (451 AD)

Therefore, following the holy fathers, we all with one accord
teach men to acknowledge one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ
at once complete in Godhead and complete in manhood, truly God and truly man,
consisting also of a reasonable soul and body;
of one substance with the Father as regards His Godhead,
and at the same time of one substance with us as regards His manhood;
like us in all respects, apart from sin;
as regards His Godhead, begotten of the Father before the ages,
but yet as regards His manhood, begotten for us men and for our salvation,
of Mary the virgin, the God-bearer;
one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only-begotten,
recognized in two natures, without confusion, without change,
without division, without separation;
the distinction of natures being in no way annulled by the union,
but rather the characteristics of each nature being preserved
and coming together to form one person and subsistence,
not as parted or separated into two persons,
but one and the same Son and Only-begotten God the Word, the Lord Jesus Christ;
even as the prophets from earliest times spoke of Him,
and our Lord Jesus Christ Himself taught us,
and the creed of the fathers has handed down to us.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We commune with the Lord & with one another

The Lord's Supper should not be observed in individual homes.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *I Will Extol You God My King* [Psalm 145] vv.5-7—insert

OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

Blessing of & Prayer for the Children

† Benediction & Singing

I Bind unto Myself Today (St. Patrick's Breastplate)— 351-352 (verses 8 & 9)

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name,
The strong name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation;
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,
Salvation is of Christ the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY

Blessing of the Children— It is our tradition to offer a special blessing and prayer for the children of our congregation on the last Sunday of each month. Toward the end of our service, children up to the age 12 or so are invited to come forward for this special time.



Sack Lunch Sunday (Last one of the summer!)— This is an additional time of fellowship that will follow our worship service today.

- ◆ For those visiting with us today, please join us!
- ◆ Others have brought extra to share, which will be provided in the Fellowship Hall.

THIS WEDNESDAY

Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

The doors open at 6:30 p.m. (bring your own food and drink if you wish); Bible study starts promptly at 7:00 p.m., and clean up done by 8:30 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ◆ Fellowship Meal – Sunday, October 10
- ◆ Reformation Celebration – Saturday, October 30
- ◆ Theopolis Institute Regional Course: *What is Creation?* – Friday & Saturday, November 12-13
(visit our website to learn more and register)
- ◆ Fellowship Meal – Sunday, November 14
- ◆ Advent Celebration – Friday, December 10
- ◆ Lessons & Carols – Friday, December 24

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at All Saints, and we warmly invite to the Lord's Table all who are baptized disciples of the Lord Jesus, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church, and this includes covenant children. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the overseers of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being an active member of a congregation which belongs to the Triune God and is marked by the Word and sacraments. If you have any questions about your participation, please speak to one of the elders before or after the service.

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Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL (6 6. 6 6. 4 4. 4 4)
John Darwall, 1770

Charles Wesley, 1746; alt.

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
 2. Je - sus the Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love: When
 3. *His king - dom can - not fail.* He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The
 4. He sits at God's right hand Till all his foes sub - mit, And
 5. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, And

joice, give thanks, and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more.
 He had purged our stains, He took His seat a - bove.
keys of death and bell Are to our Je - sus giv'n. Lift up your
 bow to His com - mand, And fall be - neath His feet.
 take His ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home.

heart, Lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

From a melody by J. A. Freylinghausen, 1704
adapted, Harold W. Gilbert

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God: and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence: and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion: and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it."

Introduction: Assurance or Doubt?

1 John 2:1-14—we know that we know Him when we keep His commandments (2:3), and the command to love one another reveals our relationship with the Lord. The congregation of “one anothers” is presented under the designations of “children, fathers, and young men.”

Questions or curiosities about these verses (2:12-14):

Who	What is True	Great Encouragement	Why? The Pastoral Concern
<p>Little children/children τεκνία/παιδιά (2:12a; 13c) <i>The whole church</i></p>	<p>Your sins have been forgiven for His name’s sake; You know the Father</p>	<p>Trust and assurance; being fully accepted in this first relationship</p>	<hr/> <hr/>
<p>Fathers (2:13a, 14a) <i>The mature</i></p>	<p>Because you know Him who has been from the beginning. (2x)</p>	<p>Calm, settled knowledge; Seasoned security. An experienced confidence granted through the changes and challenges of life; these know the One who is from everlasting to everlasting even as one’s outward body is decaying.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p>Young men (2:13b, 14b) <i>The maturing</i></p>	<p>You have overcome the evil one You are strong, and the Word of God remains in you, and you have overcome the evil one.</p>	<p>Engaged. Active and energetic. Strength is because of the Word of God remaining within; recall, memory. Overcome the evil one (2x); involved in battle(s); zealous, ready to take the next hill</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

- Family language & levels of maturity
- A church of one without the others can lead to...
- We need one another (harmony or unison?)

Be Pleased to Save Me

Psalm 70



Be pleased to save me_ God I pray Thee. Make haste to help me come to my aid.
Let all those see - king You be joy - ful. Seek - ing Thy face with hum - ble heart.



O Lord con-found those with Thy pre - sence who seek to take my_ life a - way.
May those who love Thy_ great sal - va - tion say "God be Praised" and sing with me.



Who seek to take my_ life a - way. Let them turn back and be dis-hono-red
Say "God be Praised" and sing with me. But I, O God, am_ poor and nee - dy.



Whose joy it is to_ do me harm. May they fall back and tre-mble with dis - may
Come swift-ly to a - ssist me now. You are my help and my Sal - va - tion Lord.



those who re-joice to_ seek my fall. Those who re-joice to_ seek my fall.
Re - deem me now, O_ gra-cious Lord. Re - deem me now, O_ gra-cious Lord.

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Tune: TARTAN

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Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI (Irreg.)
Charles Meineke, 1844

2nd century

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

The first system of musical notation for 'Gloria Patri'. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in the key of D major (one sharp). The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the'. The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords and some moving lines.

Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics: 'Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er'. The bass staff continues the piano accompaniment.

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third and final system of musical notation. The treble staff concludes the vocal line with lyrics: 'shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.'. The bass staff concludes the piano accompaniment with a final chord.

I Will Extol You, God My King

From Psalm 145

1. I will ex - tol You, God my King; And I will ev - er
 2. On Your most glo - rious maj - es - ty And on Your deeds my
 3. *The LORD our God is rich in grace, Ten - der to us, com -*
 4. All You have made will praise You, LORD; Your might - y acts Your
 5. *The LORD is faith - ful to His word;* 14 *He will ex - tend His*
 6. The LORD is just in all His ways; In all His works He
 7. The LORD in grace pre - serves His saints, Re - deem - ing those who

bless Your name. 2 I will ex - alt You ev - ry day And ev - er -
 mind will dwell. 6 Your deeds will fill the world with awe, And all Your
pas - sion - ate. His an - ger is most slow to rise, His love and
 saints will show, 12 Till all the peo - ples on the earth The splen - dor
gra - cious hand. The LORD up - holds the fal - t'ring feet And makes the
 is most kind, 18 And all who call on Him in truth In Him a
 love His name. The wick - ed He will o - ver - throw And put His

more Your praise pro - claim. 3 You, LORD, are great - ly to be
 great - ness I will tell. 7 Your match - less good - ness and Your
kind - ness are most great. 9 The LORD is good in all His
 of Your king - dom know. 13 E - ter - nal is Your king - dom,
weak se - cure ly stand. 15 The eyes of all look up to
 pre - sent help - er find. He will ful - fill the heart's de -
 en - e - mies to shame. 21 My mouth will sing the glo - rious

praised; Your great - ness is be - yond all thought. 4 From age to
 grace Your peo - ple will com - mem - o - rate; And all Your
ways, His crea - tures know His con - stant care. To all His
 LORD, For - ev - er strong, for - ev - er sure. While gen - er -
 You *For food and drink, which you sup - ply;* 16 *Your o - pen*
 sire 19 Of those who fear Him and o - bey. The LORD will
 praise Of God, whom earth and heav'n a - dore. Let ev - 'ry

age Your peo - ple tell The might - y won - ders You have wrought.
 truth and right - eous - ness Our joy - ful song will cel - e - brate.
works His love ex - tends; All crea - tures in His mer - cies share.
 a - tions rise and die, Your glo - rious reign will still en - dure.
hand is boun - ti - ful, And ev - 'ry need You sat - is - fy.
 sure - ly hear their cry, Will save them when to Him they pray.
 crea - ture praise His name For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more!