ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 24, 2023

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 and the 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.

Psalm 145:1-2



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

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken—304

OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

Behold, bless the LORD, all servants of the LORD, who serve by night in the house of the LORD!

Lift up your hands to the sanctuary and bless the LORD.

May the LORD bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 134

AN INVITATION TO CONFESS OUR SINS:

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, we trust You for Your abundant mercy and grace. Without Your compassion, we would be without hope. Without Your pardon, we would remain in the slavery of sin. Without the gift of Your Son, darkness and death would prevail among us. Without Your Holy Spirit, we would not know of Your loving adoption of us. We give You thanks, and we confess that we have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. By Your grace, enable us to forsake our sins. Hear us now, as we continue in prayer, confessing our sins to You...

[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 Not Far Off, for Grief Is Near [Psalm 22]—31



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

Genesis 12:1-9

Scripture Lesson from the Epistles 1 Corinthians 5

"This is the Word of the Lord"

"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 18:9-17

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"

"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text Acts 2:22-36

Sermon
The Gospel — as simple as I can make it
Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: In Christ Alone—insert

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

2 Timothy 2:19; 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

† *Pastor:* Christians, we confess this as true, "The solid foundation of God stands, having this seal:

"The Lord knows those who are His," and,
"Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

For Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us.

Let us keep the feast, not with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

The gifts of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God!

Lift up your hearts,

We lift them up to the Lord!

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We commune with the Lord & with one another

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

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: All Hail the Pow'r of Jesus' Name! —insert

OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

Prayer for and Blessing of the Children

† Benediction & Singing

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

Prayer for and Blessing of the Children—Just before the end of our service, we will invite the children (about 12 and younger) forward for a special time of prayer, encouragement, and blessing.

Forum — After worship, all are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for an informal time of fellowship and Q & A regarding our church, the service, and/or the sermon. Coffee will be available. We'll finish no later than 1:30 p.m. with some quick cleanup.

THIS WEEK

No Midweek this week. Midweek at All Saints will return a week from Wednesday.

NEXT SUNDAY

External Ministers Visiting — Two of our supported external ministers, Jan Prorok and Kip' Chelashaw, will be visiting us next Sunday. Pastor Prorok will fill our pulpit, but both men will have an opportunity to share their work at a special Forum following worship where substantial refreshments will be served. We hope you will plan to join us for this important time to hear about the work the Lord is doing around the world.

Special Forum — After worship, all are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and Q&A as we get to know Pastor Kip' Chelashaw & Pastor Jan Prorok. Substantial refreshments will be available.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Men's Discipleship Breakfast — Saturday, October 7th, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall — Open to all men, young and old. Come for 90 minutes of great fellowship, food, teaching, and encouragement. More details to follow via email.

Reformation Celebration – Saturday, October 28th, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. – We've reserved the Jones Barn in Cleburne for our Reformation Celebration. You won't want to miss this festive celebration! Details coming soon.



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Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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



Be Not Far Off, for Grief Is Near

Psalm 22:11-20



Gloria Patri



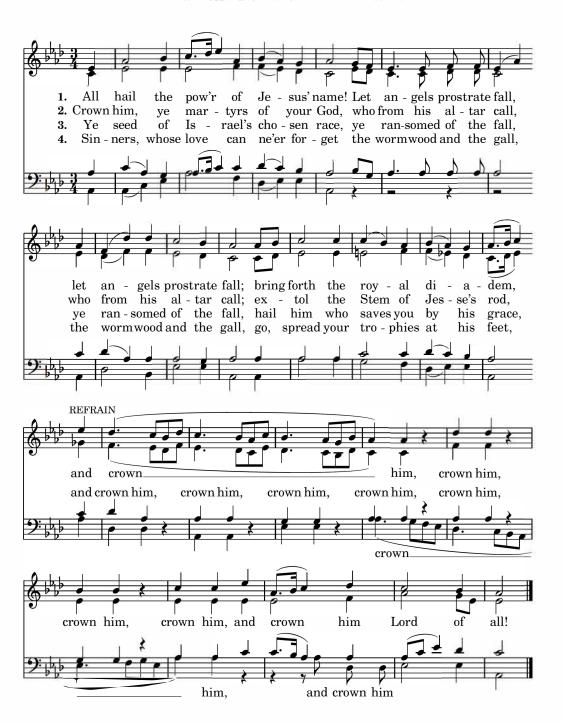
IN CHRIST ALONE

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All Hail the Pow'r of Jesus' Name!



- 5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, REFRAIN
- **6.** O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, REFRAIN