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Sunday School ~ 9:30 am Worship ~ 10:30 am

Morning Worship

November 14, 2021

Reflections

The privilege of knowing God's truth with certainty and precision carries with it the responsibility of obeying that truth with equal precision. \sim J. I. Packer

God's sovereign and powerful work of salvation frees us to obey Him with joy. We do not have to suffer under the burden of having our own efforts measure up, for we obey in gratitude because Christ's faithfulness has satisfied the Lord's covenant. Our responsibility is real and obligatory and is yet the most freeing submission we have.

~ R.C. Sproul

Augustine says that "[we] are to work with fear and trembling so that [we]will not, by attributing the good working to [ourselves], be elated by the good works as if they were [our] own" (ACCNT 8, p. 245). Even as we are aware that we work out our salvation in fear and trembling, we must also know that ultimately it is God who gives us the desire to persevere and moves us to do so. Indeed, salvation is of Him from first to last.

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 63:1-8 (in unison)

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
² So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

³Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

⁴ So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. ⁵ My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips,

⁶ when I remember you upon my bed,

and meditate on you in the watches of the night; ⁷ for you have been my help,

and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy.

⁸ My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise — My Soul will Sing (Psalm 103)

My soul will sing With all the strength I have in me I will rejoice with every day He gives I will recall the wonders He has shown to me His power to heal, His mercy to forgive We join with angels to sing His praises; He does not treat us as our sins deserve

High as the heavens reach above the earth Is Your unfailing love, is Your unfailing love Far as the east is banished from the west You took our sins from us, Removed our sins from us How wide how high is Your unfailing love.

Our King delights To show compassion to the weak Their deepest needs He loves to satisfy Throughout the earth His justice and His mercy speak And He will run to meet the victim's cry From everlasting to everlasting Our youth renewed with every step we take (chorus)

Though we are dust a moment in eternity As flowers bloom today and then are gone He crowns our lives With beauty and with dignity His patience smiles on all who turn to Him From generation to generation We'll tell the story of His faithfulness (chorus)

Song of Praise — Isaiah 40

(men) Do you not know? (women) Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, The Creator of the ends of the earth. (repeat)

(men) He will not grow tired or weary,
(women) And His understanding no one can fathom.
(men) He gives strength to the weary,
(women) And increases the power of the weak.
(men) Even youths grow tired and weary,
(women) And young men stumble and fall;

But those who hope in the LORD Will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; They will run and not grow weary, They will walk and not be faint. (repeat) (chorus after 2nd time)

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Confession of Sin — 1 Peter 2:11-12, 1 Cor. 9:24-27

¹¹Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹²Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵ Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷ But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

Assurance of Pardon — Deuteronomy 7:7-8, John 3:16-18

⁷ It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸ but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

Responsive Prayer from the Valley of Vision

Our Gracious God,

My heart praises You for the wonder

of your love in Jesus;

In him your grace has almost out-graced itself,

In him your love to rebels has reached its height;

O to love you with a love like this!

My heart is stone, melt it with your love,

My heart is locked, let your love be the master key to open it;

- O Father, I adore you for your great love in the gift of Jesus,
- O Jesus, I bless you for resigning your life for me,
- O Holy Spirit, I thank you for revealing to me this mystery;
- Great God, let your Son see in me the travail of his soul!

Bring me away from my false trusts to rest in him, and him only.

In Jesus' precious name, Amen.

Song of Response — Heavenly Father Beautiful Son

Father, You loved me, sent Your Son to redeem Jesus, You washed me. By Your blood I am clean Spirit, You've opened these blinded eyes And brought me to Christ

Heavenly Father, beautiful Son Spirit of light and truth Thank You for bringing sinners to come to You

Father, You gave me to Jesus to keep And Jesus, You love me, as a shepherd, his sheep Spirit, You've given me faith in the Son And made our hearts one (chorus)

Father, You're waiting to hear my requests Jesus, Your loving, open hand is outstretched Spirit, You're in me, You intercede And help in my need (chorus)

Offering^{*} — 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 ⁶ The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

*You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Philippians 2:12-13

¹² Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Sermon — Work Out what God Works In

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Hymn — Be Thou My Vision (page 8)

Work Out What Christ Works In –

Philippians 2:12-13

1. Work Out (vs 12)

2. What God Works In (vs 13)

Closing Hymn — Be Thou My Vision



Benediction

Postlude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Tim Wesolek's father who is currently in the hospital following a recent fall and subsequent positive covid test. Pray that he will have few, if any, covid symptoms, and that he will heal quickly.
- Give thanks for the veterans that have served and fought for our nation.
- Pray for the Board of Trustees as they meet this coming week. Pray that the Lord would give them wisdom and unity as they care for the physical aspects of the church.
- Pray that we will be a people who strive to work out in our lives the faith that our Father has given us in Jesus. Pray that we will be committed to loving and serving Him in all things.
- Pray that we will be a congregation that is outward focused; looking for ways to share the gospel with the people around us.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up more men for leadership. Pray that our elders will be men who are servant leaders, who love and protect the flock, and are committed to prayer and the study of God's word. Pray that they will be strengthened to carry out their calling.
- Pray for Jyl Mixon who is expecting a new little one. Pray for the continued health and safety of both mom and baby.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Tyler Beck, Dawn Myers, Phyllis Brinson, Scott Innes, Joan Johansen, John & Dana Bishoff, Barbara & Charles Ruch, Jeff & Patti Deschamps, Jen Bridenbaugh, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, the Wright family, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, Ed Rodatus and those who are grieving from the loss of loved ones. Pray for strength to bear their difficult trials.

Frederick Area

- Pray for the missions that we support financially: CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray that God will continue to provide for all their needs.
- Pray for opportunities to share our faith with people we come into contact with and for the boldness and humbleness to take advantage of what God puts in our way.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month CareNet Pregnancy Center who serves the greater Frederick Area and seeks to help women with unplanned pregnancies. Pray that the clients that come to the center will be open to the gospel and will receive the abundant life God offers.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he moves toward mission work in East Asia. Pray that the Lord would provide for all of his needs and give him wisdom and guidance in his plans. Pray for his fundraising efforts as he hopes to leave in February.
- Pray for God's grace and wisdom for Claire Hall who is serving with 20Schemes in Merkinch, Scotland and for Kristen Lalley who is serving with Serge in Europe.

Important Dates to Know:

- Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study, 10:00 am in classroom 3 in the main building.
- Wednesday Night Dinner & Bible Study, bible study for ALL ages including a nursery. Come for pizza at 6:00 and the study from 6:30-7:30 pm.
 - Youth Group, 6:00-8:00 pm in C6, Nov. 10
 - Lay deacon training, 6:30-7:30 pm
- **Thanksgiving Service**, Wednesday, November 24th, joint service with Faith PCA and Good News ARP at New Hope at 7:00 pm. You are also invited to bring cookies to share for a fellow-ship time afterward.
- Nominations for Elder & Deacon, if you know of someone whom you would like to nominate for Elder or Deacon, please fill out a nomination form that can be found on the welcome table. Please make sure to talk to the person you want to nominate first before officially doing so.
- Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, November 18! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at Gambrill Mountain Food Company (Bentz St, Frederick) and/ or dessert around 7:45pm at Laura VanDelden's home (6917 Palace Ct, Frederick). RSVP for dinner to Elease Layman at <u>elease.layman@gmail.com</u> or 301.767.6848 by Wednesday, November 17.
- Women's Christmas Party, Ladies, mark your calendars for the New Hope Ladies' Restful Christmas party on Friday, December 17 at 7PM at Joli Chism's house. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share (bake one if that's restful for you; buy one if that's restful for you) and a gift for the white elephant exchange if it's restful for you to participate.
- Annual Reports, due to the church office by November 30th! If you are in charge of a particular ministry, please contact your committee chair to see what is needed/required. To do our best to observe the December resting month, we are asking that all annual report submissions are to Gingy in the office by the 30th of November.
- Nursery Volunteers/ Children's Church Volunteers, as we settle into (somewhat) normalcy and our Sunday ministries are settling in, we need to ask for some volunteers to help staff the nursery during the worship service. Also, we will be restarting the children's church ministry in January and need volunteers to teach and assist for those classes. If you are able to volunteer for either of these, please contact Amy Michelle (amy.r.dewit@gmail.com) Williams Wriaht or (michelleadshade@gmail.com) Gingy office in the or (admin@newhopeopc.org)

Serving Today (11/14):

- Welcome Team: Marc Quist, Calvin Wright, Gingy Socash, Laura Caruso
- Nursery (Sunday school hour): Ron Socash, Kim Jernigan
- Nursery (Worship service): Katrina Howard, Liesl Boyed, Adeline Rodatus
- Sound: Belle Wetzel
- Livestream: Craig Lalley

Serving Next Week (11/21):

- Welcome Team: Nancy Seiler, Lora Washburn, Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear
- Nursery (Sunday school hour): Lauren Mendez, Dave Myers
- Nursery (Worship service): Joel Poortenga, Man & Cora Kim
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Joel Chism

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Verse: Philippians 2:12-13 — ¹² Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Westminster Confession 10.1 Of Effectual Calling — All those whom God hath predestinated unto life, and those only, He is pleased, in His appointed time, effectually to call, by His Word and Spirit, out of that state of sin and death, in which they are by nature to grace and salvation, by Jesus Christ; enlightening their minds spiritually and savingly to understand the things of God, taking away their heart of stone, and giving unto them an heart of flesh; renewing their wills, and, by His almighty power, determining them to that which is good, and effectually drawing them to Jesus Christ: yet so, as they come most freely, being made willing by His grace.

Monday: Phil 2:12. How does God respond to Jesus' humble, servantobedience (v 9-11)? How are we to respond to it (v 12)? What does it look like to obey, or to work out your own salvation (see 2:3-4, 7, 14ff)? Paul puts a high emphasis on taking responsibility for living out our faith -how are you growing in sanctification?

Tuesday: Phil 2:12 Paul calls us to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling. What fear and trembling is fitting for an unbeliever before God (2:10, Rom 2:7-8)? Does the believer have that kind of fear (Rom 8:1, 15)? What kind of fear and trembling must this be then (Eph 4:30, Is 6:5)? How does this kind of fear help your sanctification, and motivate you to be like Christ?

Wednesday: Note the words "God in you" in Phil 2:13. How does this hearten you in your working hard at your sanctification? Are you alone in it (Col 1:29, Eph 2:10)? Consider the magnitude of God working in you!

Thursday: Phil 2:13. This word "working" is used for effectual work -that which will be produced, done. How might that fact give you hope on days when you feel weak, faltering? It is also in the present tense, which means God is working continually. Does God ever run out of wisdom, energy, or time in his work? Will he complete the work he begun? Again, how does this energize you to press on with full vigor?

Friday: Phil 2:13. Have you ever felt your lack of motivation or strength for faithful living? Look at Phil 2:13. How complete is God's help (Gal 3:5, 1 Cor 12:6, Eph 1:11)? He gives us the desire, and the strength to live a sanctified life, so don't give up! What does the last phrase say about what God is producing? One day he will finish his work in you, and say "it is good." Live toward that day!

Saturday: What is the significance of "holding fast to the word of life" in Phil 2:14-18?