Lord's Day Worship

September 18, 2022

*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

PRAISE

* Call to Worship Psalm 86:8-10

* Opening Hymn Praise Christ our Savior's Name

RENEWAL

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

O Lord of peace, we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies, but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our enemies. Bless them and us, that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (silent prayer)

* Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:1-2

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

Thanks be to God!

* Song Gospel Song

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

Offering Doxology

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 43:1-13

* Song Open Our Eyes, Lord

New Testament Reading Romans 1:1-12

Sermon "Paul's Introduction to Romans"

COMMITMENT

*Affirmation of Faith Second Helvetic Confession

What is the gospel?

The Gospel is that God promises from the beginning of the world to save us. God the Father has sent and given us his only Son. In him we have reconciliation with the Father, the remission of sins, and life everlasting.

* Closing Song

In Christ Alone

- * Benediction
- * Dismissal

Church, where are you going?

We go forth to serve God's world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Glory to God!

SERMON NOTES

Opening - How do we define <u>obedience</u> in our modern context?

The Text - An Introduction to Romans

- A) What is an Apostle? (Romans 1:1; Hebrews 3:1)
- **B)** What is salvation history? (Romans 1:2-5; Adam, Abraham, and Moses)
- **C)** The obedience which flows from faith (Romans 1:5)

Our Problem? We downplay sin and it's consequences (Romans 3:23)

Application

- **A)** Christ Presbyterian's Apostolic Mission (communal obedience)
- **B)** Obedience in the personal lives of Christians
- **C**) Union with Christ

Conclusion - What does grace and peace mean (Romans 1:7)? How do these two key words summarize Paul's message to the Romans?

Challenge and Charge: As you wrestle through Romans 1:1-12, take time and think through how the Lord has transformed you over the years (maybe decades!) as a Christian. It's important to emphasize that we are saved and destined for life with the Triune God forever - that we are "saved." But, it is also important to emphasize that the life of the Christian is transformation into the Son of God's image (Romans 8:29)! In today's text, this is "the obedience which flows from faith" (Romans 1:5).



"...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything." Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

September 18, 2022 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna "Paul's Introduction to Romans" Romans 1:1-12

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