

Lord’s Day Worship

January 8, 2023

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

PRAISE

* Call to Worship Psalm 67:3-5

* Opening Hymn *Creator God, Forever Praised*

RENEWAL

* Prayer of Confession (unison) Ambrose of Milan

O Lord, you who are all merciful, take away my sins from me and enkindle within me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away this heart of stone from me and give me a heart of flesh and blood, a heart to love and adore you, a heart which may delight in you, and please you, for Christ’s sake. Amen (silent prayer)*

*Assurance of Pardon
Righteousness will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Thanks be to God.

* Song *How Rich a Treasure We Possess*

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 Psalm 32

* Song *Psalm 32*

New Testament Reading Romans 4:1-12

Sermon “Justification by Faith in the Old Covenant”

COMMITMENT

*Affirmation of Faith *Westminster Larger Catechism*

How was the covenant of grace administered under the Old Testament?

The covenant of grace was administered under the Old Testament by promises, prophecies, sacrifices, circumcision, the Passover, and other types and ordinances. All of these foreshadowed the coming of Christ and were sufficient for that time to build up the faith of the elect in the promised Messiah, by whom they had full remission of their sins and eternal salvation.

* Song *How Deep the Father’s Love For Us*

Lord’s Supper

*Song *Yet Not I, But through Christ In Me*

* Benediction and 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!

Justification by Faith in the Old Covenant

Romans 4:1-12

- I. **Introduction** - The Heroes of History
- II. **The Text - Romans 4:1-12**
 - A. Romans 4:1-5 - Abraham justified by faith *and not* works.
 - B. Romans 4:6-8 - Paul quotes Psalm 32
 - C. Romans 4:9-12 - There is one family of faith
- III. **Our Problem?** We often combine/confuse justification and works.
- IV. **Application**
 - A. **Faith vs. Works:** What is justification, sanctification, and glorification? These distinct stages in salvation *must be* separated from each other.
 - B. **What is the Gift?** The forgiveness of sins! This is the benefit of the justification of the ungodly.
 - C. **The Church of Saints:** What is the "cultural capital" that counts in the Lord’s economy of worth? Faith in Christ!
- V. **Closing** - Preview of Romans 4:13-25

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZOOM Bible Study has resumed! There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Table, or you can email. Pastor Douglas directly to enroll.

Sunday Morning Ministry Opportunity - We are in need of additional help each Sunday morning transporting our equipment trailer and would like to build a team of four or five individuals who could help one Sunday each month. If you have a truck or other tow-worthy vehicle and would like to help, please contact Jeff Davis.

Women's Book Club – Looking for a Book Club? Our women's book club meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 1:30 in private homes. Books of various topics are selected in the fall for the following year. They meet September through June to discuss the selected book. Contact Dolores Rowen (djrowen3714@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining this small group. January meeting is Jan. 18th at the home of Nancy Hunter, 3829 N Tupiza, Meridian. January book to discuss is The Dollhouse by Fiona Davis.

CPW-- Christ Presbyterian Women will not meet in January due to the move of the Ministry Center. It meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Mark your calendar for Feb. 18th, 11:30-1:30. Watch for details on the information table.

Men's Ministry – Men's fellowship will meet *inside* Albertson's Marketplace *near* Starbucks—corner of Eagle Road and Fairview Ave., 3499 E Fairview Ave., Saturday January 14th @ 9:30 am. This is a no host event. Come and bring a friend.



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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Rev. Douglas Kortyna

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