

The Order for the Worship of God

The 5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 9, 2017

Ten o'clock a.m.

The Service of Preparation

Silent Preparation

The sins of the flesh are bad, but they are the least bad of all sins. All the worst pleasures are purely spiritual: the pleasure of putting other people in the wrong, of bossing and patronizing and spoiling sport and back-biting; the pleasures of power, of hatred. For there are two things inside me competing with the human self which I must try to become. They are the Animal self, and the Diabolical self. The Diabolical self is the worse of the two. That is why a cold, self-righteous prig who goes regularly to church may be far nearer to hell than a prostitute. But, of course, it is better to be neither.

C.S. Lewis in *Mere Christianity*

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

The Prelude

✦ The Call to Worship (from Psalm 1:2-3, 6)

Leader: Happy are those whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

People: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

Leader: For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. Come, let us worship our God!

Favorite Hymns

The Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving

The Prayers of Silent Confession and Repentance

The Assurance of Forgiveness

✦ The Gloria Patri No. 622
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Response to God's Work in Our Lives

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory "Walk With Me" Zondervan
Sharon Eastlack, Soloist

✦ Doxology No. 625
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ The Prayer of Dedication

The Hymn of Meditation..... No. 41
God Is So Good

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Ministry of the Word

The Scripture Reading Romans 7:15-25a
(pp. 943-44 in pew bible)

Special Music "Sinner Saved By Grace" Gaither
Sharon Eastlack, Soloist

The Sermon "Now, Here's a Tongue Twister!" Rev. King

✦ The Hymn of Dedication No. 228
Rejoice, the Lord Is King (vv. 1-2)

✦ The Benediction

✦ Congregational Response #380 (chorus) *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*
Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily, walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Postlude

✦ Please stand if you are able

Elder/Reader - Allen Gage
Acolyte - Elise Davenport

The flowers at the pulpit today are presented to the glory of God by the Deacons in memory of loved ones.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Sun. 07/09** Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m.
- Mon. 07/10** Art Camp, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- Tues. 07/11** Art Camp, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Women's Services, 5:45-7:30 p.m.
- Wed. 07/12** Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
Art Camp, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Young Adult Group, 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. 07/13** Art Camp, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- Fri. 07/14** City Lights, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- 7/11 Joe Catalano
7/12 Keith Davis
7/15 Brittany Kimble-Turner

Flower Sponsor Needed July 23rd

If anyone is interested, please see Betty Simpkins or call the church office at 935-2148. The cost is \$15.00. Clearly mark your check "Flowers" and place in with the regular offering.

CHURCH PICNIC - FORT MOTT STATE PARK
SUNDAY, JULY 30TH - 10:00 A.M.



KIRSCHBAUM PAVILION

Bring your favorite "covered dish" to share.

Fundraiser for 2017 Salem ASP Teams

It's that time again to "Make a Change!" Loose change collection for ASP can be given to Lindsey, Elise, Morgan, Sierra, Kym, Reid or Beth. Thank you!!

SERMONS FOR THE WEEKS OF SUMMER

- July 16, "Choosing Sides: Flesh vs. Spirit", Romans 8:1-11
July 23, "Tiptoes", Romans 8:12-25
July 30, Ft. Mott Picnic, "Guaranteed to Finish", Romans 8:26-39
August 6, "A Broken Heart", Romans 9:1-5
August 13, "Beautiful Feet", Romans 10:5-15
August 20 "What About the Old Testaments?", Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
August 27, "Living Sacrifices", Romans 12:1-8

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Ellie Hall - Wycliffe Bible Translator in Thailand
Revs. Dwayne & Janet Doyle - Interserve USA-Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
Trinity Preparatory School - Matt & Chanda Williams

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST

Kingdom Living Ministries Salem NJ

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY'S LEADERS & THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Mark Lindle...U.S. Navy
James Morrison...U.S. Air Force
Jamie Spears...U.S. Navy
Andrew Spears...Delaware Air National Guard
Matthew Kemm, M.D....U.S. Army Medical Corps
Austin Brown...U.S. Air Force



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Denise Horton, Surgery. *(Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack)*

Robert Marino, Diagnosed with Lyme disease. *(Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack)*

Ann Eber, 94 years old; prayers for chronic health concerns. *Mike Eber's mother)*

Mike Smith, Prayers for serious health issues. *(Friend of Keith & Shirley Campbell)*

PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Harry Springer, Prayers for severe health issues. *(Friend of David Eastlack)*

First Presbyterian Church of Salem, The pastoral search process is continuing. We have received from the PCUSA data base a number of resumes for our consideration. We are sorting them out now and taking special notice of those that might be a good fit for us. Don't stop praying for the committee, for our work and for us as individuals (Reid, Earl, Chris, Kym, Erin and Wendy) that we would appropriate God's wisdom for our task.

Elvena Eastlack, Prayers for severe spinal stenosis. *(Sister-in-law of David & Sharon Eastlack)*

Connie DiArchangelo, Prayers for recent diagnosis of serious health issues. *(Mother of a friend of Reid Willis)*

Linda Stokes, Prayers for serious health issues. *(Friend of Erin Owens.)*

Terry Zieger's sister, Serious health problems.

Robert Parker, Health concerns. *(Friend of David Eastlack)*

Randi Gage, Praise for encouraging test results.

Brandon Bush, *(Friend of Reid Willis)*

Bob Hyatt, *(Friend of Reid Willis)*

Elizabeth Colucci, Prayers for health concerns. *(Carol Ives' niece)*

Torrey Reade, Prayers for serious health concerns. *(Friend of Noel Kemm)*

Rev. Jack & Martha Schilthuis, Prayers for health issues.

Alexander Fiorillo, Diagnosed with a spinal tumor. *(Joe's piano coach)*

Sarah Doyle, Continued prayers. *(Rev. Dwayne & Janet Doyle's daughter)*

Linda Grant, Prayers for serious health concerns and treatment. *(Friend of the Warren/Owens Families)*

Sam Elliot, Continued prayers during cancer treatment. *(Mother works at the Oak Diner in Salem)*

Steve Silagi, Prayers for health concerns and surgery. *(Friend of Betty Simpkins)*

Gene Zieger's father, Prayers for chronic health issues.

Bernie Weber, Prayers for serious health concerns. *(Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack)*

Bill Wilkinson, Receiving treatment for spinal tumor. *(Friend of the Kings)*

PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Caroline Hickman, Prayers during cancer treatment. *(16 year old daughter of a co-worker of Keith Campbell)*

Father Michael J. Doyle, Diagnosed with mouth cancer. *(Parish Priest of Chris Davenport's coworker)*

Dawn Kimble, Prayers for health issues.

Terry Zieger, Prayers for health concerns.

Robert Pollack, Continued prayers. *(Steve Pollack's brother)*

Donna Bacon, Continued prayers for health issues.

Bob & Maureen McCook, Chronic health issues. *(John King's sister & brother-in-law)*

Carol Lee, Diagnosed with cancer. *(Friend of Sharon Eastlack)*

Amy Ricketts, Continued prayers for health issues.

Galen & Sara Lenhert, Continued prayers. *(Beth Davenport's parents)*

Biba Kavass, Continued prayers. *(Friend of Beth Davenport)*



Sermon Notes

I. Now, Here's A Tongue Twister! Romans 7:15-25a

A. Paul's language in this text reflects the same kind of struggle that is evident in our battle against sin.

1. He mixes metaphors and changes terminology, but we all know what he's talking about.
2. A list of various terms.
 - a. **"I"** - The interior Christian life and commitment (vv. 15-17, 22) . . . that which wants to do good and hates evil (v. 21).
 - b. Synonymous with **"I"** is the expression **"my inner being"** in verse 22.
 - c. **"mind"** (v. 23) - similar to **"I"** and **"my inner being"** The sense of God and conscience that Paul teaches in Romans 1:19-20, 2:14-16.
 - d. **"law"** (vv. 21-23) - signifies both the perfect law of Moses and its "evil double" which "bears the same name", but "is the work of sin" - v. 23 (C.K. Barrett).
 - e. **"sin that dwells within me", "flesh", "members"** - The proclivity toward sin which is the condition of all human beings.

B. Paul speaks of himself in the present tense in this text.

1. He is not referring to the time before his salvation. He didn't struggle with sin and law then, but, instead, as a Pharisee, considered himself perfect according to the law.
2. He is not referring to a time before his sanctification or a second blessing.
3. He is referring to the ongoing battle and journey of growing in Christ in a world full of sin.

C. Paul's hope is sure (v. 25)!

1. Despite the agony of his struggle, he concludes with gratitude and even, celebration, proclaiming, "Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!"
2. His hope is not centered primarily on his capability, but on Christ (see Philippians 1:6 - "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ").