SERMON NOTES

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WE ARE A FAMILY OF GOD BOUND TOGETHER TO GLORIFY AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER. WE DO THIS BY SHARING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST, STRENGTHENING EACH OTHER IN HIM, AND SHOWING HIM TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.

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GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 121:1-8*

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US

...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, for ever. Amen.

"CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS"

Trinity Hymnal #295

WE CONFESS OUR SINS PUBLICALLY AND SILENTLY

We confess that we find it difficult to wait for you, Lord. As we look back on the cross, we know that you are a promise-keeping God who is wiser, kinder, and more loving than we are. You are powerful beyond our imagination, and you always accomplish your will. You have saved us from sin, you are saving us from ourselves, and you have promised us future salvation, but we want our desires satisfied now. We want excellent health and financial security; peaceful relationships and satisfying careers; perfect spouses, children, parents, and friends; perfect churches; and freedom from weakness and besetting sins. We want heaven now, and we struggle with anger and bitterness when you keep your promise that our lives here on earth will be characterized by suffering and tribulation. We rush frantically from one painful moment to the next, desperately trying to fix our problems and escape discomfort, instead of quieting our hearts before you. Father, forgive us.

Adapted from Barbara R. Duguid and Wayne Duguid Houk, *Prone to Wander: Prayers of Confession and Celebration*, ed. Iain M. Duguid (Phillipsburg, NJ: P&R Publishing, 2014), 64-65.

GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN *Micah 7:18*

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.

"CHRIST THE SURE AND STEADY ANCHOR"

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH *Westminster Shorter Catechism 35*

Q. 35 . What is sanctification?

A**. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.**

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE *Ephesians 2:10*

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

"HE WILL HOLD ME FAST"

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WE READ FROM GOD'S WORD *Phillippians 2:1-5*

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus...

WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION ***Clark Moore***

I pray for someone who doesn't know Jesus: _____

WE WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING OFFERINGS

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"MY JESUS I LOVE THEE"

Trinity Hymnal #648

WE THANK GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS (DOXOLOGY)

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.

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD ***Pastor Michael Colvard***

"The Life Changing Patience of Christ " *Mark 10:35-45*

GOD FEEDS US IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

(*Gluten-free bread available. Wine is on the outer ring; inside rings are juice. Please dispose of cups on your way out of the Sanctuary.)*

"FOR ALL THE SAINTS"

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WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)

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