



Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church  
Sunday Evening Worship & Prayer  
January 24, 2021

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Call to Worship

Amos 4:13

For behold, he who forms the mountains and creates the wind, and declares to man what is his thought, who makes the morning darkness, and treads on the heights of the earth—the Lord, the God of hosts, is his name!

Hymn of Praise

*Come Thou Almighty King #101*

1. Come, thou Almighty King,  
help us thy name to sing,  
help us to praise.  
Father, all glorious,  
o'er all victorious,  
come and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days.

2. Come, thou Incarnate Word,  
gird on thy mighty sword,  
our prayer attend.  
Come, and thy people bless,  
and give thy Word success;  
Spirit of holiness,  
on us descend.

3. Come, Holy Comforter,  
thy sacred witness bear  
in this glad hour.  
Thou who almighty art,  
now rule in every heart,  
and ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of pow'r.

4. To the great One in Three  
eternal praises be,  
hence evermore.  
His sovereign majesty  
may we in glory see,  
and to eternity  
love and adore.

Invocation

## Responsive Reading

Job 12:13, 22-25

- Leader: (v. 13): “With God are wisdom and might; he has counsel and understanding.
- People: (v. 22): He uncovers the deeps out of darkness and brings deep darkness to light.**
- Leader (v. 23): He makes nations great, and he destroys them; he enlarges nations, and leads them away.
- People (v. 24): He takes away understanding from the chiefs of the people of the earth and makes them wander in a trackless waste.**
- All (v. 25): They grope in the dark without light, and he makes them stagger like a drunken man.”**

## Lesson

Rev. Steve Light

### Daniel 2:1-23 – The God who Reveals Deep and Hidden Things

In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his spirit was troubled, and his sleep left him. <sup>2</sup> Then the king commanded that the magicians, the enchanters, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans be summoned to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king. <sup>3</sup> And the king said to them, “I had a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream.” <sup>4</sup> Then the Chaldeans said to the king in Aramaic, “O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation.” <sup>5</sup> The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, “The word from me is firm: if you do not make known to me the dream and its interpretation, you shall be torn limb from limb, and your houses shall be laid in ruins. <sup>6</sup> But if you show the dream and its interpretation, you shall receive from me gifts and rewards and great honor. Therefore show me the dream and its interpretation.” <sup>7</sup> They answered a second time and said, “Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will show its interpretation.” <sup>8</sup> The king answered and said, “I know with certainty that you are trying to gain time, because you see that the word from me is firm— <sup>9</sup> if you do not make the dream known to me, there is but one sentence for you. You have agreed to speak lying and corrupt words before me till the times change. Therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that you can show me its interpretation.” <sup>10</sup> The Chaldeans answered the king and said, “There is not a man on earth who can meet the king's demand, for no great and powerful king has asked such a thing of any magician or enchanter or Chaldean. <sup>11</sup> The thing that the king asks is difficult, and no one can show it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.”

<sup>12</sup> Because of this the king was angry and very furious, and commanded that all the wise men of Babylon be destroyed. <sup>13</sup> So the decree went out, and the wise men were

about to be killed; and they sought Daniel and his companions, to kill them. <sup>14</sup> Then Daniel replied with prudence and discretion to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon. <sup>15</sup> He declared to Arioch, the king's captain, "Why is the decree of the king so urgent?" Then Arioch made the matter known to Daniel. <sup>16</sup> And Daniel went in and requested the king to appoint him a time, that he might show the interpretation to the king.

<sup>17</sup> Then Daniel went to his house and made the matter known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions, <sup>18</sup> and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions might not be destroyed with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. <sup>19</sup> Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision of the night. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven. <sup>20</sup> Daniel answered and said:

"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,  
to whom belong wisdom and might.  
<sup>21</sup> He changes times and seasons;  
he removes kings and sets up kings;  
he gives wisdom to the wise  
and knowledge to those who have understanding;  
<sup>22</sup> he reveals deep and hidden things;  
he knows what is in the darkness,  
and the light dwells with him.  
<sup>23</sup> To you, O God of my fathers,  
I give thanks and praise,  
for you have given me wisdom and might,  
and have now made known to me what we asked of you,  
for you have made known to us the king's matter."

## Hymn

*How Great Thou Art #44*

***1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I heart the rolling thunder,  
thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.***

### ***Refrain***

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
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*2. When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain*

*3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin. Refrain*

*4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God how great thou art. Refrain*

## Season of Prayer

*Children and youth may be dismissed at this time through the front sanctuary doors  
(adjacent to the stage) to go to their classes on the third floor.*

## Prayers of Adoration and Confession Based on Daniel 2:20 and Hebrews 4:13

Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might.

And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

## Prayers of Thanksgiving and Supplication Based on Daniel 2:21

He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding...

**Prayer for our new administration and elected officials** - *for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.* 1 Tim 2:2

**21 Days of Prayer for Our Neighbors** That we would be obedient to the Great Commission: proclaiming the gospel with power. Help us to be salt and light. Let us view our neighbors with compassion in view of eternity, and that we would see children come to Christ. Genuine conversions by the power of the Spirit. Boldness!

**Sunday Evening Ministries:** Adult Prayer Mtg, Middle & High School Small Group, Covenant Kids Class, Nursery. Pray for our new Sunday evening worship and prayer. Pray for the preaching of the word. Pray that we will pray! Pray for more people to join us on Sunday evenings to pray. Pray for the youth of our church to own their faith personally. Pray for them to relate well to each other and to non-Christian friends. Pray that the children of our church will understand the interlocking truths of God's Word. Pray that the catechism will be more than a mental exercise, but a devotional tool to lead the children (and adults!) to greater awe of God and his Gospel.

#### For the Needs of the Saints

1. Reilly family and Rafael Reilly's upcoming eye surgery: MRI on Feb 22, surgery on Feb 26: pray for all-clear scan, peace for Raphael regarding the MRI, wisdom for surgeon.
2. Jim and Joyce Hess as Jim faces ongoing health difficulties.
3. William and Tricia Reasor, as Tricia faces ongoing health difficulties
4. Don Bennett's mother Marlene (cancer) and father Don, and Don and Hope as they care for them.
5. For an end to the pandemic and for strength and comfort for those who are struggling in the pandemic with job loss, financial stress, illness, isolation, hopelessness, anger, or bitterness.

#### Scripture Song

*The Steadfast Love of the Lord Never Ceases*

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
His mercies never come to an end,  
They are new every morning, new every morning  
Great is Thy faithfulness (Oh Lord)  
Great is Thy faithfulness*

#### Benediction

## Sermon Notes