



Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church
Sunday Evening Worship & Prayer
August 22, 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

Psalm 47:1-2

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

Hymn of Praise

Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne #65

Invocation

Responsive Reading

Revelation 12:13-17

Leader (v. 13): And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child.

People (v. 14): But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time.

Leader (v. 15): The serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, to sweep her away with a flood.

People (v. 16): But the earth came to the help of the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river that the dragon had poured from his mouth.

All (v. 17): Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.

Lesson

Rev. Steve Light, Associate Minister

Daniel 12:5-13 – A Time, Times, and Half a Time: Longsuffering Gives Way to Glory
(Pew Bible p.750)

Hymn

For All the Saints #358

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

*As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as
snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire.
– Daniel 7:9*

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Supplication

For nations in tumult:

Afghanistan - Please Pray For:

- The approximately 2,000 Christian Afghan citizens in the country who will face potentially deadly persecution under the Taliban rule. Pray for their protection from oppression. Pray for their spiritual endurance. Pray that they may fulfill Revelation 12:11 if so called: *And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.*
- American citizens and allies who are attempting to evacuate in the face of grave danger. Pray for their successful exit from the country.
- American military personnel who have been sent into a harrowing mission - tasked to protect an airport surrounded by Taliban fighters. Pray that the situation may remain peaceful.
- The women and girls of the nation who have had significant freedoms for the last 20 years and now will be subjected to the hardline Taliban rule which follows the Koran in its severe oppression of women.
- The many allies of the United States (interpreters, contractors, etc.) who will not be able to escape the nation and now face violent reprisal from the Taliban. Pray for their safety and most ultimately them to turn to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- The power of God in the gospel would overthrow Satan's power in the false religion of Islam.

Cuba – Please Pray For:

- The advancement of liberty, especially the freedom of religion in a nation that has been under the iron-clad grip of the statist-idolatry of communism.
- Scores of people who have been arrested by government security forces. These arrests have taken place in nationwide protests upon which the government has cracked down brutally.
- Wisdom and willingness of American leadership to address the situation as is warranted.

- The gospel to advance to this nation that is spiritually desolate and repressed. In Cuba, identification as a Christian can result in exclusion from education and business and more severe forms of persecution.

Haiti – Please Pray For:

- Rescue and relief efforts to be swift and effective. As the death toll climbs as a result of the recent earthquake, the nation still is reeling from the assassination of its president.
- Pray for Christians as they live hand to mouth and have great difficulty presently providing for their basic needs in view of the instability. Gangs control many areas and there is danger in going out and about normal activities.
- The gospel to advance and the church to be built up in the midst of great trials. Pray that the truth of the gospel would remedy the societal ills that have long plagued Haiti.

For the Needs of the Saints

1. J.R. Ward's father has been diagnosed with aggressive throat cancer. Pray for him and for J.R. and the family as they care for him.
2. Pregnant mothers in our congregation. Praise for recent births!

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