

Reflection

“But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.” – Romans 3:21-22a

“[Justification] is the main hinge upon which religion turns...For unless you first of all grasp what your relationship to God is, and the nature of his judgment concerning you, you have neither a foundation on which to establish your salvation nor one on which to build your piety toward God.”
– John Calvin

Musical Reflection

Before the Throne of God Above (sung by musicians)

Before the throne of God above; I have a strong and perfect plea. A great High Priest whose name is Love; Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on his hands; My name is written on his heart. I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.	Behold him there! The Risen Lamb; my perfect spotless Righteousness. The great unchangeable I Am; the King of Glory and of grace. One with Himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood. My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God.
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Alt. Words and Music by Vikki Cook

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

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.*

Call to Worship

from Isaiah 60; 61

Minister (v. 60:1): Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

People (v. 61:10a): I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

All (v. 61:10b): as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

And Can It Be That I Should Gain #455

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Responsive Reading

Psalms 32:1-5

Minister (v. 1): Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People (v. 2): Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Minister (v. 3): For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

People (v. 4): For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

All (v. 5): I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Prayer of Confession and Pastoral Prayer

Words of Comfort and Promise

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hymn of Response

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less #521

RENEWING OUR FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question 33

Q. 33 What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Old Testament Reading

Romans 4:1-12

Reader: The Word of the Lord

(Pew Bible p.941)

People: Amen!

Hymn of Preparation

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness #520

At this time, children in pre-K through Kindergarten may be dismissed to the nursery classroom on the first floor.

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Dustyn Eudaly, Senior Minister

Acts 13:38-39 — Paul Proclaims Our Justification

(Pew Bible p. 922)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

We invite all baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, who are communicant members of a Bible-believing church, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully for Christ, to participate in the Lord's Supper. According to 1 Corinthians 11, participating rightly in this meal requires us to understand what is happening, so we ask that children who have not yet been received into communicant membership not partake of the elements. If you think your child is ready to participate, please speak to one of the elders.

Musical Reflection

My Hope Is in the Lord (sung by musicians)

1. My hope is in the Lord
who gave himself for me,
and paid the price of all my sin
at Calvary.

2. No merit of my own
his anger to suppress,
my only hope is found
in Jesus' righteousness

Refrain: For me he died, for me he lives,
And everlasting life and light he freely gives.

3. And now for me he stands
before the Father's throne.
He shows his wounded hands,
and names me as his own.

4. His grace has planned it all,
'tis mine but to believe,
and recognize his work of love
and Christ receive.

Collection of Offering and Closing Hymn

Rock of Ages #500

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October Small Group Sundays — Beginning TONIGHT, our normal Sunday evening schedule for the month of October will shift, and our Small Groups will meet in various homes. All are warmly invited to join any of the groups listed; this is a wonderful way for all of us to get to know new people! **See today's bulletin insert for locations.** Visit the table in the Courtyard today if you have any questions! Our full Sunday evening schedule for October:

October 3rd – Small Group, 6:00-7:00 pm

October 10th – Small Group, 6:00-7:00 pm

October 17th – Church-wide Beach Fellowship, Pass-a-Grille Beach

October 24th – Small Group, 6:00-7:00 pm

October 31st – Reformation Service

Men's Breakfast, *Leading Our Homes "In Sickness and in Health"* — Men and boys of all ages, please plan to join us **NEXT Saturday, October 9th** at 8:30 am to hear from Dave Brittain on this topic that touches every one of us in this present age. Consider inviting a friend as well. Please RSVP to **Steve Light** or at the sign-up table in the Courtyard **today**.

Young Adults Pickleball & Fellowship – Starting **October 10th**, please join us to play pickleball and fellowship together any/every second Sunday of the month after church at Cuscaden park (near La Segunda Bakery) following the service and fellowship. Everyone and all skill levels are welcome! We will have extra paddles. Questions? Contact Tracy Gates at (760) 445-2228.

Fall Women's Retreat — Ladies, join us Friday-Saturday, **November 5th-6th** in Parrish, FL! Our topic is *standing firm in the faith through the lens of Christian biographies and Hebrews 11*. Cost is \$90 per person; reserve your spot with a \$45 deposit (cash, check to HTPC, or online payment). If you would like to contribute toward others' costs, you can add any amount to your payment. And please do let us know if cost is prohibitive for you to attend; we would love to help. Please RSVP to **Hope Bennett** or at the sign-up table in the Courtyard **today**.

Book Closets — We continue to update our book closets located in the lobby behind the Sanctuary. Be sure to take a look! This month, we are featuring resources related to our **Sunday School series on social justice**. Additionally, there are numerous books and resources available for purchase in the church office. Ask a staff member or elder for access, or visit our office during the week!

Adult Sunday School — The adults meet at 9:15 am on the third floor each week for Sunday School. We just began a new series, Social Justice Assessed Biblically. Please join us as you are able.



Acts 13:38-39

Paul Proclaims Our Justification

Introduction

Perhaps the most important question we could ever ask:

How _____ a _____ stand as _____ before a _____ _____?

I. The Crucified and Resurrected Jesus

_____!!

II. Forgiveness of Sins

1. Through _____.

2. Not by _____ of _____.

III. Righteousness

1. By _____.

2. Not by _____ of _____.

Conclusion

How would you answer?

WELCOME

HOLY TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our theological standards are the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms, all of which are subordinate to our only ultimate rule of faith and practice, God's Word (the Old and New Testament Scriptures).

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We invite you to join us for refreshments in the courtyard immediately following the morning worship service.

Let us know how we may pray for you. Fill out a prayer request card, found in the pews, and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. The officers of the church will confidentially pray for these requests.

We welcome the participation of children in our worship service. This is their time to hear from God's Word and praise him. Childcare is also available downstairs:

- Age 0-3: childcare available during the entire service (bottom floor)
• Pre-K-K5 Grade: dismissed to the nursery before the sermon

MEETING TIMES

Sundays: 9:15 am.....Sunday School for all ages
10:30 am.....Morning Worship Service
6:00 pmEvening Worship and Prayer, Covenant Kids class, High School & Middle School studies

Nursery and childcare are provide for all above Sunday activities

Small Groups meet at various times for prayer and fellowship in members' homes. See our website for details, htpctampa.org.

Thursdays @ 5:30 pm. Neighborhood Outreach Dinner. We prepare and serve a meal for those in need from the community. More details on website.

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