

Reflection

“Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.”
– Proverbs 27:1

Q. 27 What do you understand by the providence of God?

A. God’s providence is his almighty and ever present power, whereby, as with his hand, he still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things, come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

Q. 28 What does it benefit us to know that God has created all things and still upholds them by his providence?

A. We can be patient in adversity, thankful in prosperity, and with a view to the future we can have a firm confidence in our faithful God and Father that no creature shall separate us from his love; for all creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they cannot so much as move.
– from the Heidelberg Catechism

Musical Reflection

Be Still, My Soul (sung by musicians)

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in ev’ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav’nly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
to guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

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 Daniel 4

Minister (from v. 34): Lift our eyes to heaven, bless the Most High; praise and honor him who lives forever.

People (v. 34b,c): for his dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation;

Minister (v. 35a,b): all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does according to his will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth;

All (v. 35c,d): and none can stay his hand or say to him, “What have you done?”

Hymn of Praise

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above #4
(alt. tune)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Comfort and Promise

Romans 8:28-30

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

Hymn of Response

It Is Well with My Soul #691

RENEWING OUR FAITH

Belgic Confession

Of Providence

“...This doctrine affords us unspeakable consolation, since we are taught thereby that nothing can befall us by chance, but by the direction of our most gracious and heavenly Father; who watches over us with a paternal care, keeping all creatures so under his power, that not a hair of our head (for they are all numbered), nor a sparrow, can fall to the ground, without the will of our Father, in whom we do entirely trust; being persuaded, that he so restrains the devil and all our enemies, that without his will and permission, they cannot hurt us.”

Scripture Reading

James 4:13-17

Reader: The Word of the Lord

(Pew Bible p. 1013)

People: Amen!

Hymn of Preparation

O Father, You Are Sovereign #75

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, Minister

Acts 18:18-23 — “God’s Absolute Sovereignty over Church History”
(Pew Bible p. 927)

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

Not Worthy, Lord! (sung by musicians)

1. Not worthy, Lord! To gather up the crumbs
with trembling hand that from thy table fall,
a weary, heavy-laden sinner comes
to please thy promise and obey thy call.
2. I am not worthy to be thought thy child,
nor sit the last and lowest at thy board;
too long a wond’rer and too oft beguiled,
I only ask one reconciling word.

3. One word from thee, my Lord, one smile, one look,
and I could face the cold, rough world again;
and with that treasure in my heart could brook
the wrath of devils and the scorn of men.

4. I hear thy voice; thou bidd’st me come and rest;
I come, I kneel, I clasp thy pierced feet;
thou bidd’st me take my place, a welcome guest
among thy saints, and of thy banquet eat.

5. My praise can only breathe itself in prayer,
my prayer can only lose itself in thee;
dwell thou forever in my heart, and there,
Lord, let me sup with thee; sup thou with me.

Collection of Offering

Closing Hymn

Whate’er My God Ordains Is Right #108

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Evening Worship Tonight — We will not have Evening Worship & Prayer tonight or next Sunday, May 8th.

Dessert Fellowship with the Ritcheys — Our former pastoral intern James and Missy Ritchey (and Anna Maria!) are visiting Tampa this week! All are invited to stop by the Halls’ home **this Friday, May 6th anytime between 6:00-8:00 pm** to catch up with the Ritcheys. The address is *3614 W. Jetton Ave. Tampa, FL 33629*. Please RSVP to Hope Bennett (hbennett@htpctampa.org).

Music Sunday School Class — Beginning **next Sunday, May 8th at 9:15 am** in the large third-floor classroom, we will explore together the devotional and technical aspects of the Trinity Hymnal as a means to deepen our understanding of God and His Word. Regardless of your musical background, please join us for this three-week interactive class!

Senior Sendoff — Please join us for a special evening service and reception **Sunday, May 15th at 5:30 pm** as we celebrate, hear from, and pray for our graduating high school seniors, Mary Ellen Eudaly, Ben Forster, and Sarah Hill. We will gather in the Courtyard for a light dinner reception and fellowship after the service.

Church-Wide Hymn Sing — Mark your calendars for the evening of **Sunday, May 22nd** and plan to join us for a hymn sing!

Vacation Bible School — Parents, registration is now open for this summer’s VBS Science Camp **July 25th-29th** for children ages 4 through fifth grade! We will be observing God’s world through the lens of God’s Word! Please register using the church website under the “Events” tab. There is no cost to participate



Acts 18:18-23

"God's Absolute Sovereignty over Church History"

1. "It is _____ for you to _____ or _____ that the _____ has _____ by his _____."

2. God's _____ briefly _____.

3. _____ of God's _____.

A. Our _____.

B. Our _____.

C. Our _____.

D. Our _____.

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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