



**The Lord's Day | July 18, 2021**  
**Worship Christ | Build Community | Love Cary**

**Preparation**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 103:8

**All: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Hymns of Adoration**

***Come Let Us Sing Unto the Lord***

Hymn 16 verses 1-4

Come, let us sing unto the Lord new songs of praise with sweet accord;  
for wonders great by him are done, his hand and arm have vict'ry won.

The great salvation of our God is seen through all the earth abroad;  
before the heathen's wond'ring sight he has revealed his truth and right.

He called to mind his truth and grace in promise made to Israel's race;  
and unto earth's remotest bound glad tidings of salvation sound.

All lands, to God lift up your voice; sing praise to him, with shouts rejoice;  
with voice of joy and loud acclaim let all unite and praise his name.

***My Faith Has Found a Resting Place***

Hymn 468

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;  
I trust the ever-living one, his wounds for me shall plead.

*Refrain*        I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
                      it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
a sinful soul I come to him, he'll never cast me out. *Refrain*

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God:  
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation thro' his blood. *Refrain*

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;  
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave. *Refrain*

**Confession of Faith**

*Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 19-21*

**Leader:** What misery did the fall bring upon mankind?

**All:** The fall brought upon mankind loss of communion with God, and his wrath and curse, so that we are justly liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to punishment in hell for ever.

**Leader:** Did God leave all mankind to perish in the state of sin and misery?

**All:** God, solely out of his love and mercy, from all eternity elected some to everlasting life, and entered into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the state of sin and misery, and to bring them into a state of salvation by a Redeemer.

**Leader:** Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

**All:** The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two distinct natures and one person forever.

## **Confession of Sin**

Adapted from *Prone to Wander*, p. 60

**All:** Mighty God, you rule with power and wisdom over the entire universe and yet you delight in us. We are dependent on you entirely for all things; wean us from all our other dependences. You are the fountain of goodness; why should we be so anxious about what will happen to us? In light of your favor, the world and all its pleasures are infinitely poor, yet we continue to be drawn to them in so many sinful ways. Forgive us for relying on our own wisdom and strength; for the hours we spend trying to rescue ourselves from pain, suffering, and sin, when you have already rescued us in your Son.

## **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Romans 6:16-18

**Leader:** Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

**All:** But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

## **Song of Assurance**

### ***You Made Us Your Own***

We were ruined in our sin, we were guilty and undone,  
when your love reached down with sovereign hands  
and beckoned us to come.

You sought out the wanderers, made the prodigals come home,  
with a lavish feast you welcomed us for you made us your own.

**Chorus**      You have loved us like you love your Son.  
We are heirs with Christ, bought by his blood.  
Oh, how great the love that we've been shown.  
We're your children now, you made us your own.

We are strangers to the world, but no strangers to your throne.  
We draw near you now with confidence for all our fears are gone.

And when Christ our King returns, we'll meet saints we've never known.  
And forever we will be amazed that you made us your own. *Chorus* twice

### **Baptism** (8:30)

Phillip Norman Batten, covenant child of Dayne and Emily Batten  
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## **Church Life Announcements**

### **Search Committee Update**

Xan Innes

### **Prayer for Offering**

#### ***Doxology***

Hymn 731

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.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

Jeff Smith

### **Scripture Reading**

Philippians 2:19-30

<sup>19</sup> I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be cheered by news of you. <sup>20</sup> For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. <sup>21</sup> For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup> But you know Timothy's proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel. <sup>23</sup> I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, <sup>24</sup> and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.

<sup>25</sup> I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need, <sup>26</sup> for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill.

<sup>27</sup> Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. <sup>28</sup> I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious.

<sup>29</sup> So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, <sup>30</sup> for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

### **Sermon**

"Honor Such Men"

Mike Ross

### **Hymn of Rejoicing**

#### ***Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer***

Jesus, draw me ever nearer as I labor through the storm.  
You have called me to this passage, and I'll follow though I'm worn.

*Chorus*      May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith;  
and at the end of my heart's testing, with your likeness let me wake.

Jesus, guide me through the tempest, keep my spirit staid and sure.  
When the midnight meets the morning, let me love you even more. *Chorus*

Let the treasures of the trial form within me as I go.  
And at the end of this long passage, let me leave them at your throne. *Chorus*

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

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## **Sermon Questions for July 18, 2021**

### **“Honor Such Men”**

#### **Philippians 2:19-30**

1. How does this passage (2:19-30) relate to the rest of Chapter 2, and flow out of the previous paragraph?
2. Paul's travel plans expressed in 2:19-30 were different from that of the Philippians. How does Paul explain why his plans are different from theirs?
3. Paul states that the Philippians knew of Timothy's "proven worth." How did they come to know Timothy?
4. Paul commends Timothy for three reasons. What are they?
5. How do these three commendations point to the three marks of a godly and valued pastor?
6. What relationship did Epaphroditus have to the Philippian church?
7. Paul refers to Epaphroditus as a brother in Christ, a fellow worker, and a fellow soldier. How do these three titles relate to life in the church and to gospel ministry?
8. Why did Paul return Epaphroditus to Philippi as opposed to sending Timothy?
9. Paul's bottom line in this passage is that we honor such men as these. How do we honor our pastors in a proper way?
10. Discuss how Americans treat their leaders (pastors) and compare that to Paul's exhortation in this passage. Then answer this question: Why are so many pastors dropping out of the ministry today? What can we do about that?