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Worship Spotlight

What is the Assurance of Forgiveness?

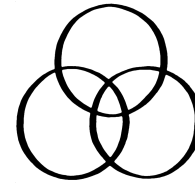
After we humble ourselves during the time of confession, the Lord then lifts our heads and forgives us. The pastor calls us to rise. He proclaims the gospel (“good news”) clearly and directly: that Jesus Christ has died for us and been resurrected for us, to pay the penalty for our sin and to secure for us eternal life.

The pastor then declares that all who trust in Jesus have indeed been forgiven of their sins. He often invokes God’s Triune name (“Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”), which reminds us of our baptism, the sign and seal of the cleansing we have in Jesus (Acts 2:38, 22:16). Each week, during the assurance of forgiveness, we return to that baptismal promise: we are clothed with Christ and forgiven in Him (Gal. 3:27).

The pastor does not have special power in himself to remit sins, but he has been ordained to speak God’s Word to God’s people and to proclaim the Gospel (Matt. 18:18; John 20:23). Only God can forgive our sins against Him. But God chooses to speak that forgiveness through ordained ministers who serve as his representatives. The minister’s word is God’s Word to us, in so far as he is simply proclaiming what the Scriptures teach.

Of course Christians can confess their sins to God and receive his forgiveness at any time throughout the week. Jesus, our Great High Priest, continually intercedes for us at the Father’s right hand (Rom. 8:34). But it comforts our souls to actually hear those words of forgiveness proclaimed boldly and authoritatively by the man called to speak God’s Word to us. It reminds us that the forgiveness of sins is not just something in our heads, but a true Word from Christ himself—true despite the various doubts and fears within us, true because it is based on the finished work of Christ on the cross.

Having received this gloriously good news, we respond with a bold: “Amen!” God has dealt with our sin and brought us rest and peace. He has prepared us to draw nearer to Him in the next major portion of our service, the Ascension.



TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2nd, 2019

The Ascension of Our Lord

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Portions of Psalm 47

†Congregational Singing

“See the Lord Ascends in Triumph”

†Responsive Scriptures

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Alleluia! Christ has ascended on high!

O come, let us worship Him.

†Collect

Eternal God, by raising Jesus from the dead you proclaimed his victory, and by his ascension, you declared him Lord of all. Lift up our hearts to heaven where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†Greeting

†Congregational Singing

#232 “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

1 John 1:5-7

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have followed the way of the world. We have failed to give Him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your

**faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing #233 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Lesson Acts 1:1-11

Epistle Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

†Gospel Reading Luke 24:44-53

†Profession of Faith The Colossian Hymn

Sermon Pastor Chad Anderson

“Carried Up Into Heaven”

Offertory

†Doxology #625 (a cappella)

†Prayer of Dedication

GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ are invited to share the Lord’s Supper. Baptized children are welcomed to the Supper once they have been admitted by the Elders in accord with the practice of our denomination.

If you do not trust in Jesus, please allow the bread and cup to pass you by. If you desire to follow Jesus and share in His Feast, please speak with one of our pastors after the service.

The outer ring contains wine. All other cups contain grape juice. Take your portion, pass the rest to your neighbor, and then eat and drink as soon as you desire.

During the passing of the cup we encourage you to offer words of blessing to your neighbors such as: “Peace be with you” (Jn. 14:27) or “Christ be with you” (Rom. 16:20).

Declaration of God’s Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution

Congregational Singing #224 “Jesus Lives, and So Shall I”

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response #628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor David Salyer
Nursery Volunteers: Carol Holl, Kay Johnson

CHURCH LIFE

Today

Sunday School Teachers Meeting After the service

Monday, June 3rd

Session Meeting 5:00 p.m.

- ❖ **Children’s Sunday School Teachers:** please meet in the Library after the service for in informational meeting about summer Sunday School.
- ❖ **Wanted: Sunday School Substitutes!!** Our Children’s Sunday School needs occasional substitutes over the summer months. Our curriculum is very user-friendly and we need your help! Please contact Amy Freitag if you are willing to help and/or have any questions: 308-455-0983
- ❖ Join us for the annual **Pentecost Bonfire** at the Holl’s place (315 West 81st St.) at 5:00 pm Sunday, June 9th. Hot dogs, buns, drinks and s'mores will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share and also your lawn chairs. Hope to see you there!
- ❖ **Summer Women's Group** meeting at Rene's home, 5523 Parklane Drive. Contact Rene at (308) 708-3303. Come as you are able for a time of prayer, encouragement and light study. Sign up in the foyer for more information.
- ❖ Consider serving on the **communion prep rotation**. It involves buying the bread and coming early to prepare the elements on your assigned Sunday. To sign-up and be trained in this ministry, speak to Josh Goodbrake.
- ❖ **A/V help needed:** We are always looking for help with audio/visual technology during the service. Turning things up, turning things down, muting, reading, and clicking—if you can run your smart phone, you can handle A/V team! :) If this interests you, please speak with Pastor Dave.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

June 4	Levi	Riley	2015
9	Aleeya	Pokharel	2015
16	Aria	Goodbrake	2016
17	Floyd	Butterfield	
24	Margaret	Hajda	1998
25	Mimi	Frerichs	
26	Nora	Hooton	2010
26	Kelsi	Bradley	

FINANCIAL REPORT

	Last Week	Year to Date
Budgeted Need	\$3,461.15	\$72,684.15
Received	\$4,210.19	\$71,452.79

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- ❖ That God would keep us from division and grant us unity in the Spirit for the sake of the Gospel.
- ❖ For our men serving in the armed forces: Joseph Barber III, Ryan Brock, and Ben Elliott.