
A Glance at the Week

Monday

7:00 am Men's Discussion (Zoom)

6:30 pm Small Group (Zoom)

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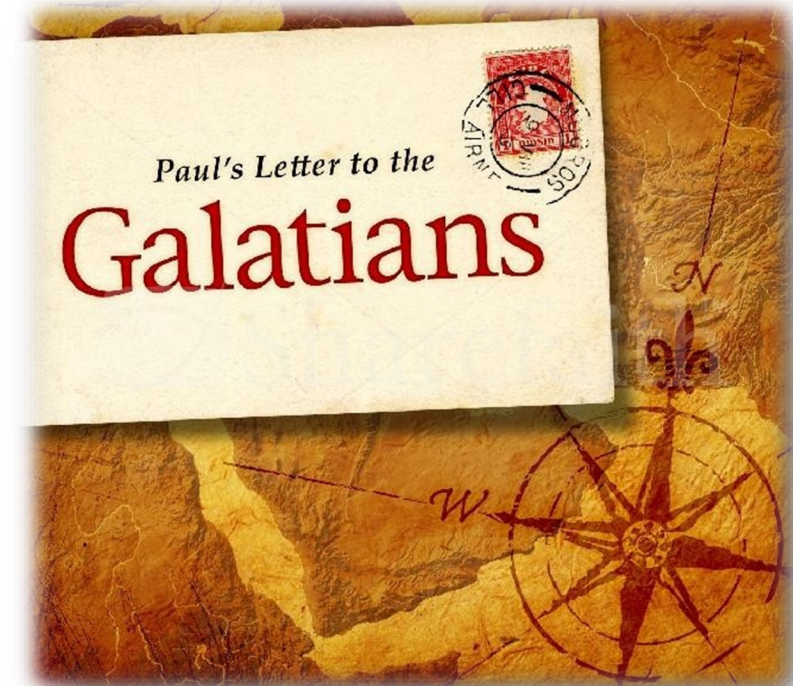
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Looking Ahead

Galatians— Freedom, Family, Gospel

01/02/22	Salutations	1:1-5
01/09/22	No Other Gospel	1:6-12
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Randolph Heights Presbyterian Church

435 Hamline Ave. South
Saint Paul, MN 55105

January 02, 2021

9:30am Discussion

10:30am Worship

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We are glad you're here!

This is a community which strives to worship and serve God together. Within this community, people freely explore their personal questions about God and the Bible. It's together that we can better learn the breadth and depth of the Gospel and how it works out in our lives. Then, through the grace and hope of the gospel, we serve those in need and work together towards a thriving community.

This program is organized under five headings as described below:

Gathering: We remember God of Creation. The creator is amazing, perfect, powerful, good and is worthy of our worship and praise. This helps center and prepare our hearts for a time of worship.

Confession and Renewal reminds us that this world is not as God originally intended it. We express our grief and sorrow over the brokenness of this world and of our own lives. Our need for grace never goes away, and it is only by faith in Jesus that we can be made right with God. Within these words of renewal we recognize the truth that God's redemption of his people has been accomplished in Jesus.

Thanksgiving is our response to the redemptive plan of God. It is also an opportunity to express our thanks tangibly.

Ministry of the Word is expressed through reading our scripture passage for the day, listening to the Word preached, and responding with words of prayer from the congregation.

The **Benediction** is a good word to be sent out on.

We encourage you to spend some time before the service begins and note how it flows. You are also encouraged to take this bulletin with you to use for personal devotional time throughout the week.

Scripture from Galatians 1:1-5

Paul, an apostle – sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead – and all the brothers and sisters with me,

To the churches in Galatia:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

A *Thanks be to God!*

BENEDICTION

- L God has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
~ from Micah 6:8, NIV

**Life in the Body*

Send Out

- L The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. – Numbers 6:24-26, NIV

A Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus Christ, there is nothing I can do that would make you love me more, and nothing I have done that makes you love me less. Your presence and approval are all I need for everlasting joy. As you have been to me, so I will be to others. As I pray, I'll measure your compassion by the cross and your power by the resurrection. Amen.

Reflections

Fallacies do not cease to be fallacies because they become fashions.
~ G.K. Chesterton

If I am asked what is my creed, I reply, 'It is Jesus Christ.' Not a system, or any other human treatise; but Christ Jesus, who is the sum and substance of the gospel, who is in himself all theology, the incarnation of every precious truth, the all-glorious personal embodiment of the way, the truth, and the life.
~ C.H. Spurgeon (1834-1892), London Pastor

The doctrine of the cross is the sun in the system of truth. It is seen by its own light, and throws light upon every other subject.
~ John Newton (1725-1807), Anglican clergyman and abolitionist

When people in churches today discuss Paul and his letters, they often think only of the man of ideas who dealt with lofty and difficult concepts, implying a world of libraries, seminar rooms, or at least the minister's study for quiet sermon preparation. We easily forget that the author of these letters spent most of his waking hours with his sleeves rolled up, doing hard physical work in a hot climate, and that perhaps two-thirds of the conversations he had with people about Jesus and the gospel were conducted not in a place of worship or study, not even in a private home, but in a small, cramped workshop. Saul had his feet on the ground, and his hands were hardened with labor. But his head still buzzed with scripture and the news about Jesus.

~ N.T. Wright, *Paul: A Biography*

PRELUDE

Micah 6:6 – With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God?

All Sing: Blessed Be the Lord Our God

Blessed be the Lord, our God, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous deeds,
who alone does wondrous deeds.

Blessed be his glorious Name, His glorious Name forever,
and may all be filled with his glory, alleluia!

(Blessed be his glorious name. – 1st time through)

(Amen, amen, Amen, amen! - 2nd time through)

Call to Worship

L Sing a new song to the LORD! Let the whole earth sing to the LORD! Sing to the LORD; praise his name. Each day proclaim the good news that he saves. Publish his glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things he does.

A *Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise! He is to be feared above all gods.*

L O nations of the world, recognize the LORD; recognize that the LORD is glorious and strong. Let all the earth tremble before him. Tell all the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

A *Bring your offering and come into his courts. He will judge all peoples fairly.*

L Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise! Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy!

A *Let the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he is coming! He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with justice, and the nations with his truth.*

Pastoral Prayer

L God Calls us to be a praying people. Let us join in prayer, offering our praise, thanksgiving, and intercession to God.

Open Petition

After each petition the Leader will say:

L Lord in your mercy

A *Hear our prayer. (Response from Congregation)*

~or~

L *Let us Give God Thanks*

A *We give You thanks O Lord.*

L Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. *(Eph 3:20-21)*

The Lord's Table *(Offered 1st Sunday of Month)*

Invitation to the Table

L This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God. When our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

A *We receive this food gladly, believing, as we eat, that Jesus is our life-giving food and drink and that he will come again to call us to the wedding feast of the Lamb.*

Prayer of Thanks

A *Almighty God, Source of all life and love, we live in your world, which you are always creating and sustaining by your power, You have so made us that we can know and love you, trust and serve you.*

We give you thanks, that you loved the world so much that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him may not die but have eternal life. Amen.

Words of institution

L The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 Cor 11:23-26, NIV

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Adoration *(followed by Lord's Prayer)*

L Lord God Almighty, King of glory and love eternal, you are worthy at all times to receive adoration, praise, and blessing; we praise you now for sending your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, for whom our hearts wait, and to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, be honor and dominion, now and for ever. Amen.

A *Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen*

Come, Thou Almighty King

Unknown

Arr. by Luke Morton

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Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help
Come, Thou in - car - nate word, Gird
Come Ho - ly Com - fort - er Thy
To Thee great One in Three, E-



us Thy name to sing, Help us to Praise.
on Thy Might-y sword Our Prayer at - tend,
Sa - cred wit-ness bear In this glad hour,
- ter - nal prais-es be Hence ev - er - more



Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, O'er all vict - or - i - ous
Come and Thy peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc - cess,
Thou who Al - might - y art, Now rule in ev - ry heart,
Thy sov - riegn ma - jest - y May we in glo - ry see,



come and reign o-ver us, An-cient of Days.
Spi - rit of ho-li-ness On us de-scend.
And ne'er from us de-part, Spi - rit of power
And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore

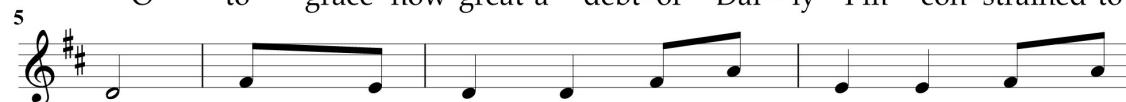
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Asahel Nettelton

Robert Robinson



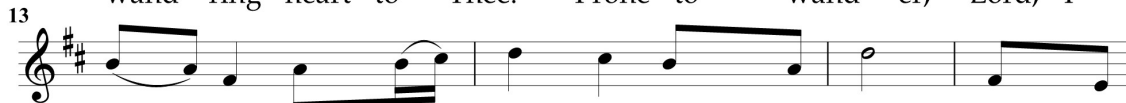
Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy
Here I raise my Eb - en - ez - er; Hith - er by Thy help I'm
O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to



grace; Streams of mer - cy, ne - ver ceas - ing, Call for
come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure, Safe - ly
be! Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, Bind my



songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some mel - o - dious
to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
wand - 'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wand - er, Lord, I



son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the
strang - er, Wand - 'ring from the fold of God; He, to
feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my



mount! I'm fixed u - pon it, Mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
res - cue me from dan - ger, Int - er - posed His pre - cious blood.
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Scripture Galatians 1:1-5 (found on Page 15)
Series Galatians Series—New Life—New Freedom
Sermon Salutations

Profession of Faith

L Now, as you publicly declare your faith, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith in which you were baptized.

A I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen. — *Apostles' Creed*

CONFESSION & RENEWAL

L The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

~ based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16, NRSV

A *Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.*

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

~ based on Psalm 51:10-12

Silent and Personal Confession

WORDS OF RENEWAL

L As we hear the ancient prophecies of the coming of the Messiah, we long for the day when death will be swallowed up and every tear will be wiped away. As we wait expectantly for Christ's promised return, live in the assurance of God's gracious forgiveness.

A *Thanks be to God!*

On This Day

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Musical score for 'On This Day' in G major (one sharp) and 2/2 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 2/2 time signature. The lyrics are: 'On this day earth shall ring with the song let us sing; On this day we shall sing; with our song earth shall ring,'. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics: 'To the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; prai-sing Christ, hea-ven's King, born on earth to save us;'. The third staff continues: 'Him the Fa-ther gave us. peace and love he gave us. Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, glo-ry to the'. The fourth staff concludes the piece with: 'Son, Glo-ry to the Ho-ly Ghost, to the three in one.' The score ends with a double bar line.

Son, Glo-ry to the Ho-ly Ghost, to the three in one.

Doxology

L Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen. – *Revelation 7:12, NRSV*

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.

Prayer of Dedication

A *Lord, we thank for Your faithfulness.
Thank you that we can always trust in You.
You are an abundant God and out of your great kindness
you have given us so much.*

*We give you this offering today, and with it we also give ourselves.
Use this congregation, for your kingdom and your glory.
Extend and multiply its reach and influence we pray.
And may we be a great blessing to many. Amen.*