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## A Glance at the Week

### Monday

7:00 am Men's Discussion (*Zoom*)

6:30 pm Small Group

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## Looking Ahead

### Galatians— Freedom, Family, Gospel

04/10/22	Child of Promise	4:19-31	
04/17/22	Resurrection 1	5:1-8	(Easter)
04/24/22	Resurrection 2	5:5-18	
05/01/22	Resurrection 3	5:16-25	
05/08/22	To Sow & To Reap	6:1-10	
05/15/22	The Main Thing	6:11-14	
05/22/22	Two Challenges	6:4-8;16-18	
05/29/22	(Guest Speaker)		
06/05/22	Series in Acts Part 2		

## Randolph Heights Presbyterian Church

435 Hamline Ave. South  
Saint Paul, MN 55105

### May 29, 2022

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.*

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## Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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## 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

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### 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.

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## Reflections

Success is not what you have done compared to what others have done. Success is what you have done compared to what you were supposed to do.  
~ *Tony Evans, Pastor/Author*

Jesus as Lord means that Jesus is to be the supreme Lord and Master. He calls the shots, and he is to be acknowledged in everything that is done. The problem is that too many people want a savior but do not want a Lord. ~ *Tony Evans*

THE PLANET Mercury is hot. Pluto is cold. Why is Pluto cold and Mercury hot? Mercury is really close to the sun and Pluto is a long way off. The farther you get away, the colder things become, but the closer you get, the hotter things are. You may say that you are not a Pluto Christian or a Mercury Christian. Maybe you are an Earth Christian where things get hot and cold. You may be a seasonal Christian who has changes depending on whether it is wintertime, summertime, springtime, or fall.

God is looking for some Mercury Christians. He is looking for some folks who want to get close and stay hot all the time because they stay close to the S-o-n.  
~ *Tony Evans*

Life begins at the end of your comfort zone.  
~ *Neale Donald Walsch, 1943- , Author*

If it is important to you, you will find a way. If not, you'll find an excuse.  
~ *Ryan Blair, 1973- , Motivational Author/Speaker*

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## PRELUDE

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

*All Sing: Step by Step*

Oh God, You are my God And I will ever praise you (2x)  
I will seek You in the morning / And I will learn to walk in Your ways  
And step by step You'll lead me / And I will follow You all of my days  
(Repeat Section)

I will follow You all of my days / And I will follow You all of my days  
And step by step You'll lead me / And I will follow You all of my days

### Call to Worship *(from Psalm 8)*

L O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens. You have taught children and infants to tell of your strength, silencing your enemies and all who oppose you.

A *When I look at the night sky and see the work of your fingers – the moon and the stars you set in place – what are mere mortals that you should think about them, human beings that you should care for them?*

L Yet you made them only a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. You gave them charge of everything you made, putting all things under their authority –

A *The flocks and the herds and all the wild animals, the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea, and everything that swims the ocean currents. O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!*

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## Pastoral Prayer

L Eternal God, our Father, you are the source of our being, the breath of our life, and the joy of our living. We know that you delight in the worship of your children and that you eagerly send your Holy Spirit upon us.

A *As your Spirit came upon your people of old, giving them understanding and the knowledge of truth, so send your Spirit today, that we may speak in words not taught by human wisdom, but taught by the Spirit.*

L Your Spirit came upon the prophets. You sent your Spirit to your Son and your church, giving them each power and wisdom to follow your ways, speak your truth, and accomplish your purposes.

A *So grant us your Spirit with all fruit and equipping gifts, that we may reflect your glory and the world might believe, for the honor of your holy name. Amen.*

### 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 May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be pleasing in your sight, Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.  
*– from Psalm 19:14, NIV*

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

### *Invitation to the Table*

L Brothers and sisters in Christ, the gospels tell us that on the first day of the week, the day on which our Lord rose from the dead, he appeared to some of his disciples and was made known to them in the breaking of bread. Come, then, to the joyful feast of our Lord.

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

### *Prayer of Thanks*

A *Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast, united in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.*

### *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*

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

L O Lord,

How we marvel at the depth of your love. How we wonder at the waves of your grace. How we are astounded by the glorious balance of the earth. We are in awe of the vastness of the universe. We are so privileged to be called your children. We are accepted and forgiven and embraced. You are almighty, above and beyond everything. You are victorious. Darkness, sin and death are under your feet. You are holy, beautiful and full of love. How we adore thee.

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*

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*All Sing: Blessed be Your Name*

Blessed Be Your Name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed Be Your name

Bridge: Every blessing You pour out, I'll Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord Still I will say

Refrain: Blessed be the name of the Lord – Blessed be Your name!  
Blessed be the name of the Lord – Blessed be Your glorious name!

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's 'all as it should be'  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

Bridge2: You give and take away (2x)  
My heart will choose to say,  
Lord, blessed be Your name

Words&Music: Ben & Matt Redman

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*All Sing: Let us love and sing and wonder*

Let us love and sing and wonder  
Let us praise the Savior's name  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder  
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame  
He has washed us with His blood (3x)  
He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us  
Pitied us when enemies  
Called us by His grace and taught us  
Gave us ears and gave us eyes  
He has washed us with His blood (3x)  
He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation  
Threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
Holds in view the conqueror's crown  
He, Who washed us with His blood, (3x)  
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice  
Join and point to mercy's store  
When through grace in Christ our trust is  
Justice smiles and asks no more  
He Who washed us with His blood (3x)  
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus  
Of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted Him before us  
Now their praises fill the sky  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3x)  
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

**Scripture** Matthew 28:16-20 (found on Page 15)

**Series** Stand-alone Sermon – Tony Evans

**Sermon** Kingdom Disciples

### ***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 *In his divinity, majesty, grace, and Spirit,  
Christ is not absent from us for a moment.  
By the Spirit's power we make the goal of our lives,  
Not in earthly things but the things above where Christ is,  
sitting at God's right hand.  
Through the Holy Spirit, Christ pours out his gifts from heaven,  
upon us his members.  
The Spirit, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God.  
The Spirit has been given to us personally,  
so that by true faith, the Spirit makes us share in Christ and all his blessings,  
comforts us, and remains with us forever.*

*– from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 47, 49, 51, 53*

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## CONFESSION & RENEWAL

L The psalmist models a transparent faith with these words: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. We express our longing for God's leading by our own transparent confession.

*– based on Psalm 139:23-24, NRSV*

A *Generous God,  
You send us the Spirit of courage, but we have been afraid.  
You send us the Spirit of truth, but we cling to our illusions.  
You send us the Spirit of healing, but we cannot let go of our hurts.  
Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again: shake our hearts,  
set our souls on fire with your love:  
send us out into the world rejoicing in your power.  
We hold out to you all our particular burdens of guilt and sin,  
and we ask for your help to live the way of your justice and love.  
Amen.*

### **Silent and Personal Confession**

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## Confession & Renewal

### *Gloria Patri*

Karl Digerness, 2009

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to the Son,



Glo-ry be to the Spi-rit, Three in One. As it was in the be-gin-ing it



will be for-ev-er A-men, A-men, A-men.

## WORDS OF RENEWAL

L There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life sets us free from the law of sin and death. And if the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead lives in us, God who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to our mortal bodies through the Spirit, who lives in us. —from Romans 8:1-2, 11, NIV

A *Thanks be to God!*

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## Doxology

L Let us give thanks to the Lord with all our being. In the company of the upright, let us honor God for the blessings and goodness we have received. —based on Psalm 111:1

*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.*