

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 111

PASTOR: Praise the LORD!
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

PEOPLE: **Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.**

PASTOR: Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

PEOPLE: **He has caused his wondrous works to be
remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

PASTOR: He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.

PEOPLE: **He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

ALL: **He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!**

* SONG OF PRAISE

Ensemble & Congregation

May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night,
into your glorious light,
that we may sing the wonders of
the risen Christ.
May our every breath retell the grace
that broke into our strife,
with boundless love and deepest joy,
with endless life.

Chorus

*May the peoples praise you,
let the nations be glad!
All your blessing comes
that we may praise,
may praise the name of Jesus.*

All the earth is yours and all within,
each harvest is your own,
and from your hand we give to you,
to make Christ known.

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
for those who have not heard,
may songs of praise build lives of grace
to spread your Word.

Chorus

This our holy privilege to declare
your praises and your name
to every nation, tribe and tongue,
your church proclaims.

Chorus

Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty.
Worthy, worthy is the Lamb Who was slain.
Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise your glorious Name.

Chorus (x 2)

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN *from Westminster Larger Catechism
Q&A 103, 105 (Modern English Version)*

PASTOR: What is the first commandment?

ALL: **The first commandment is: You shall have no other
gods before me.**

PASTOR: What particular sins does the first commandment forbid?

ALL: **The first commandment forbids being dissatisfied
and offended by the things God provides in our
lives, ignorantly blaming him for the evils he
inflicts on us, as well as attributing the credit for
any good thing we are, have, or can do to luck, idols,
ourselves, or any other created being.**

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: **Holy Father, you see us as we are, and know our
inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy
of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes
from you and that to you all life returns. We have
not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We
have not been grateful as we should, nor loved as
Christ loved us. Apart from you, we are nothing.
Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy,
forgive us, and transform us to be like your Son.
Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN *In these moments, we individually
come to God in prayer, silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD *John 3:16*

PASTOR: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have
eternal life.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Ensemble & Congregation

My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who bore my pain;
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again;
who crushed my curse of sinfulness
and clothed me in his light,
and wrote his law of righteousness
with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who walks beside;
who floods my weaknesses with strength
and causes fears to fly;
whose ev'ry promise is enough
for ev'ry step I take,
sustaining me with arms of love
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who reigns above,
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth
is given by the King;
so I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow him.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE *Pastor David Rogers*

WORSHIPPING BY GIVING *(Sign, pass & return black pad
at the end of the aisle)*

◆ OFFERTORY **"God Is Our Refuge"** *Choir*
—by Allen Pote—

* PRAISING OUR GOD *Doxology (Hymn 731)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* DEDICATING OUR LIVES & GIFTS

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD *Hymn 57 (vv. 1-4)*

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul (Psalm 146)

* SCRIPTURE READING *Elder David Schlimme
Page 965 in the pew Bible*

2 Corinthians 3:1-18

(Scripture text is on the back of the worship guide)

APPLYING GOD'S WORD *Rev. David Rogers*

"Hope for the Change We Need"

* RESPONDING IN SONG *Hymn 55 (vv. 1-3)*

To God Be the Glory

* BENEDICTION *2 Corinthians 13:14*

PASTOR: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

POSTLUDE *Hana Do*

Ensemble music: CCLI#89171
Unless otherwise noted, all scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

** Congregation Please Stand*

*If you would like to know more about becoming a Christian,
the pastor is available in the narthex after the service.*

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 3:1-18

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? ² You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. ³ And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

⁴ Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. ⁵ Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, ⁶ who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

⁷ Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, ⁸ will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? ⁹ For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. ¹⁰ Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. ¹¹ For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

¹² Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³ not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. ¹⁴ But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵ Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶ But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

SERMON NOTES

TITLE: "Hope for the Change We Need"

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 3:1-18 Page 965 in the pew Bible

Next Week:

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Cies

ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Evening Communion— <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Refreshments Reception for Communicants Time of Prayer — Send-off for Imad Aubrey	6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Morning Ladies Bible Study— <i>CE Rm 201</i> Men's Bible Study— <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Evening Ladies Bible Study— <i>Admin Rm 103</i> Ensemble Rehearsal— <i>Sanctuary</i>	9:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Adult Choir Rehearsal— <i>Sanctuary</i> Wednesday Night Prayer— <i>Admin Rm 103</i>	6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	RUF-I Dinner & Training— <i>CE Rm 201</i>	7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Women's Prayer Team Mtg— <i>Fellowship Hall</i>	10:00 a.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events.

WORSHIP SERVICE

VISITORS — Please let us know you better so we can pray for you. Please sign the visitor pad at the end of the aisle. **NURSERY IS PROVIDED DURING** Sunday School and the worship service for all children age three and under. Classrooms are located on the first floor of the Education Building.

THE FLOWERS TODAY — Are given by John & Kevin Dishman in gratitude to the Lord for His blessings on their families, and in celebration of Kevin's birthday.

OUR TNPC MERCY MINISTRY — Is funded through the "Deacons Fund". Your gracious donations specified "Deacons Fund" support our Deacons in bringing financial relief to members and others in special need.

LEBANON PROJECT — If you would like to support Pastor Imad Aubrey's ministry in Lebanon, please write checks payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with "Lebanon Project" on memo line.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Missionary Visit—Adam and Michelle Cain and their sons, Jacob and Asher, MTW missionaries to Honduras, will be visiting us next **Sunday, October 6**. They will lead the adult Sunday School class and join us for worship.



Evening Communion

will be celebrated this evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Following will be a refreshments reception for communicants – and prayer for Imad Aubrey.

Special Visitors Lunch Sunday, October 6!

Fellowship Hall & Courtyard following Worship

Bring a tasty Fall dish to share!
Drinks & Desserts Provided

Kids!! Bounce house! Jump!
Pumpkin painting . . . Fun!

JOIN US for PRAYER

Wednesday Nights!
7:00pm — Admin Room 103

Ladies Fall Study 2019

1, 2, 3 John
Tuesdays at 9:30am & 6:30pm

Fiscal Year 2020

Totals through September 22, 2019

(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)

General Fund Income	\$ 165,063
Designated Giving	\$ 10,114
Total Expenses	\$ 178,528
Net Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ (3,351)

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making disciples of Jesus.



The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

September 29, 2019 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

"As we turn to Jesus, He transforms us. As we die to ourselves, we live in Him. He gives us a new heart – cleansed of sin and filled with His Spirit. He gives us a new mind – an entirely new way of thinking. He gives us new desires – entirely new senses of longing. And He gives us a new will – an entirely new way of living."

-David Platt, *Follow Me*, p. 148, 2013.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison

(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Imad Aubrey

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE