



FIRST SCOTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Of Beaufort

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THE LORD'S DAY

July 19, 2026

Sunday School: 9:30AM (all ages)

Morning Worship Service: 10:40AM

Evening Worship Service: 5PM

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Prayer of Preparation: “Bury My Sin with Christ”

By Lewis Bayly (adapted for use)

From *Into His Presence: Praying with the Puritans* by Tim Chester

O most mighty and glorious God,
full of incomprehensible power and
majesty, whose glory the heaven of
heavens cannot contain.
look down from heaven on me, your
unworthy servant,
who here prostrate myself at your throne
of grace.
Look upon me, O Father,
through the merits and mediation of
Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, in
whom alone you are well pleased!
For of myself, I am not worthy to stand in
your presence,
or to speak with my unclean lips to such
a holy God.
For you know that in sin I was conceived
and born, and that I have lived ever since in
iniquity.
I have broken all your holy commandments
by sinful desires, unclean thoughts, evil
words, and wicked works;
omitting many of those duties which
you require
and committing many of those vices
which you forbid.

*[Here you may confess to God your secret sins
which most burden your conscience, saying: “O
Lord, I do here with grief of heart confess...”]*

For these sins, O Lord, I stand guilty of your
curse.
But with you there is mercy, and full
redemption.

In light of your grace, and confident in
Christ’s merits, I entreat your divine
Majesty not to enter into judgment with
your servant.

Wash away all the uncleanness of my
sin, with the merits of that precious
blood which Jesus Christ has shed for
me.

O Lord, deliver me from my sins,
and from those judgments which hang
over my head; separate them as far from
your presence as the east is from the
west!

Bury them in the burial of Christ,
that they may never have power to rise
up against me, to shame me in this life
or to condemn me in the world which is
to come.

I beseech you, O Lord, not only to wash
away my sins
with the blood of your immaculate
Lamb
but also to purge my heart by your Holy
Spirit, that I may feel your Spirit more
and more killing my sin, so that this day
I may with more freedom serve you, the
everlasting God, in righteousness and
holiness.

May I persevere as your faithful servant to
my life’s end, and be made a partaker of
happiness in your heavenly kingdom.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

JULY 19, 2026

Parents, we are delighted for your little ones to join us in worship! If they need to stretch their legs or lungs during the service, please feel free to use the Worshippers in Training (WIT) room or the nursery.

WELCOME

Rev. Tom Brown
Assistant Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 96:1-9

[1]Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! [2]Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. [3]Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! [4]For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. [5]For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens. [6]Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. [7]Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! [8]Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! [9]Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

***OPENING HYMN:**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Trinity Hymnal #101

OLD TESTAMENT READING/CALL TO CONFESSION: PSALM 119:9-11

[9]How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.
[10]With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!
[11]I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: PSALM 103:10-13

[10]He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. [11]For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; [12]as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. [13]As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM, QUESTION #64 & 65

Question 64: What is required in the fifth commandment?

Answer: The fifth commandment requireth the preserving the honor, and performing the duties, belonging to everyone in their several places and relations, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.

Question 65: What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?

Answer: The fifth commandment forbiddeth the neglecting of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty which belongeth to everyone in their several places and relations.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING:

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** Not What My Hands Have Done Trinity Hymnal #461

SERMON: “THE POWER & PURPOSE OF GRACE (PART II)” Rev. Tom Brown
Titus 2:11-14 Assistant Pastor

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING:** Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery see pages 8 and 9

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus, #679 (refrain)

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!

How I've proved him o'er and o'er!

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!

O for grace to trust him more!

**Congregation Standing*

MORNING SERMON TEXT

[11]For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, [12]training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, [13]waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, [14]who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.—Titus 2: 11-14

MORNING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES

THE PURPOSE OF GOD'S GRACE TO US IN CHRIST IS THAT WE WOULD BE:

I. REDEEMED / PURCHASED FROM ALL FAILURES

II. PURIFIED / PERFECTED IN ALL RIGHTEOUSNESS

MORNING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES (CONT'D)

III. ZEALOUS / PROPELLED INTO ALL DEVOTION

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music by
Matt Boswell, Matt Papa
and Michael Blecker

Steady Celtic Groove ♩ = 78

B E Aadd9 E Bsus B

1. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry in the dawn - ing of the King; He the
2. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry He the per - fect Son of Man; In His
3. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry Christ the Lord u - pon the tree; In the
4. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry Slain by death the God of life; But no

C#m7 Aadd9 Bsus E

theme of hea - ven's prai - ses Robed in frail hu - ma - ni - ty. In our
liv - ing, in His suf - fering Ne - ver trace nor stain of sin. See the
stead of ru - ined sin - ners Hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry. See the
grave could e'er re - strain Him Praise the Lord; He is a - live! What a

A E/G# C#m7 Bsus Aadd9

long - ing, in our dark - ness Now the Light of Life has come; Look to
true and bet - ter A - dam Come to save the hell-bound man; Christ the
price of our re - demp - tion See the Fa - ther's plan un - fold; Bring - ing
fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance How un - wa - ver - ing our hope; Christ in

E/B C#m7 A Bsus

Christ, Who con - de - scen - ded Took on flesh to ran - som
great and sure ful - fill - ment Of the law; In Him we
ma - ny sons to glo - ry Grace un - mea - sured, love un -
po - wer re - sur - rec - ted As we will be when He

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2. Come be-
3. Come be-
4. Come be-

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E A E/G# C#m7 Bsus

comes. What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance How un - wa - ver - ing our

Aadd9 E/B C#m7 rit. A Bsus E

hope; Christ in po - wer re - sur - rec - ted As we will be when He comes.

The Revelation of God's Grace

(a devotional on Titus 2:11 from www.ligonier.org)

Crete was an interesting place in the first century, which is evident in Paul's repeating the saying that "Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons" (Titus 1:12–13a). Notably, it is easy to tie first-century Cretan morals to Cretan religious beliefs. The non-Christians on Crete held some theological views that were unorthodox even for pagans. For example, the Cretans often asserted that the god Zeus was born a man on Crete, attained godhood in return for bestowing certain favors on the island's citizens, and then later died and was buried there. Few people really believed this, but the lie was perpetuated to get tourists to visit Zeus' grave. Cretan theology was based on an outright lie, and it inevitably produced a society that played fast and loose with the truth.

Those Cretans who became Christians, however, were not to behave in such godless ways, as Paul has explained time and again in Titus 1:10–2:10. Self-control, reliability, and honesty are all traits that the Cretan Christians were to possess, and they are qualities that God's people must evidence today. Yet the apostle does not view these characteristics as the starting point of the Christian life but as the result of believing the right things about our Creator and His work. This is plain in today's passage. Titus 2:11 begins with "for," telling us that what comes in the next few verses is the reason and basis for Paul's ethical instruction. We live in holiness because God's grace "has appeared, bringing salvation for all people" (v. 11). Gratitude for what the Lord has done is the motivation for holiness, and the power for sanctification is the Holy Spirit who regenerates us, gives us faith in Jesus, and indwells us. Holy living is the fruit of salvation; it is not what moves God to redeem us (Gal. 2:15–16; 5:22–23).

By His grace our God has brought salvation for all people (Titus 2:11), but this is no endorsement of universalism as Paul makes clear in other passages (Rom. 2:1–11). Instead, the apostle means that God's salvation extends to every imaginable person who confesses Christ as the resurrected Lord. Jesus came not to save only one nation; rather, He has come to redeem His people, which includes representatives from every tribe and tongue (Rev. 7:9–10).

John Calvin says, "The manifestation of the grace of God unavoidably carries along with it exhortations to a holy life." We begin to live rightly because of God's grace towards us, and each time the Lord forgives us we grow more thankful for His mercy and thus more motivated to do His will. He is not required to pardon us once, much less repeatedly. Such abundant grace mercifully leads us to pursue holiness.

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

July 19, 2026

Hymn Sing

Rev. Alex Mark
Senior Pastor

Call to Worship

Psalm 90:1-2

[1]Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. [2]Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**Opening Hymn:*

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Trinity Hymnal #100

Scripture Reading:

Acts 11:19-30

Evening Prayer

Scripture Reading & Sermon:

“THE MAIN THINGS ARE
STILL THE PLAIN THINGS”
Genesis 6:1-8

Rev. Alex Mark

**Hymn of Preparation:*

How Firm a Foundation
Stanzas 1 through 3

Trinity Hymnal #94

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**Hymn of Gratitude:*

How Firm a Foundation
Stanzas 4 through 6

Trinity Hymnal #94

**Benediction*

**Congregation Standing*

GENESIS 6:1-8

[1]When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, [2]the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. [3]Then the LORD said, “My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years.” [4]The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown. [5]The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. [6]And the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. [7]So the LORD said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.” [8]But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

EVENING SERMON NOTES

EVENING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES (CONT'D)

Divine Sorrow

(a devotional on Genesis 6:5-7 from www.ligonier.org)

Should there be any doubt about the gravity of sin prior to the flood, today's passage states in no uncertain terms what has been assumed in the preceding chapters of Genesis. In the days of Noah, man's perversion was so great that "every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Gen. 6:5). Humanity in bondage to sin was (and is, Rom. 3:23) corrupt in its entire being.

Moses continues detailing God's response to human depravity, writing of His sorrow at man's evil and His regret that He created humanity. As such, the Lord pledges to wipe out every created thing, both men and those things corrupted by their evil (Gen. 6:6–7).

When we read passages like these that speak of the Lord's sorrow or, in the King James Version, His "repentance," we must be careful not to fall into two different errors. The first is to assume divine regret is the same as ours. Many so-called evangelicals who espouse Open Theism read these passages and assert God changes His mind and experiences sorrow in response to unknown future events. Because our feelings and plans change when the unexpected happens, these theologians posit the Lord can only truly do the same if He does not have full knowledge of what tomorrow will bring.

Faithful interpreters of Scripture, however, recognize the absurdity of this position. Our Creator's full knowledge of all things yet to come is affirmed repeatedly in the Bible (Isa. 46:8–10; Rev. 4:1). Furthermore, Moses later teaches that God's "repentance" is different from the sorrow expressed by man (Num. 23:19).

Secondly, we cannot also think today's verses fail to express divine reality in any sense. We are important to the Lord, and He expresses grief and anger when we sin, albeit in a manner appropriate to His own nature. Yet He is never incapacitated by such emotions, tomorrow never surprises Him, and His character never changes. God ordains all things (Eph. 1:11), whether or not they bring Him joy. Ultimately, He does this for His good purpose (Ps. 135:6). He has a real relationship with His sin-stricken people and this necessarily means a real, divine, affective response to us.

If the Lord could not be sorrowful or angry at our sin or joyful at our obedience, we could not believe He is unchangeably holy, righteous, and good. Though our character may change, our Father's does not, and therefore we can consistently expect His pleasure or displeasure depending on our behavior. Let us then heed John Calvin's words: "unless we wish to provoke God, and to put him to grief, let us learn to abhor and to flee from sin."