

Choral Communion Meditation

“Cause Us, O Lord” by Ron Nelson

Cause us, O Lord our God, to lie down each night in peace,
And to awaken to renewed life and strength.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, help us to order our lives by thy council,
Lead us in the paths of righteousness.
Lord, be thou a shield about us, protect us.
Save our world from sorrow, from hate, and from war.
Curb thou within us the will to do evil.
Shelter us beneath the shadow of thy wings. Amen.

Communion Meditation

“The Fog Is Lifting” by Carl Nielsen



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude

II. *Rondo: Presto* from Sonata in G Major by C.P.E. Bach



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Connect Card in our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at fpcbr.org/connect.

The Greatest Stories on Earth: Children's Choir Returns TODAY! Join Joyful Noise and JAM! today in the Sanctuary from 5-6.30 as we encounter the best stories from the Bible. We will tame lions, defeat giants, walk on water and even defeat death! For more information, contact Lauren Honea at lauren@fpcbr.org.

MDO and Preschool Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year. Registration opens for our church members on Monday, January 25. Contact Whitney Weiner at mdo@fpcbr.org or 620.0245 for more information.

Daniel's Apocalyptic Literature. This Women's Ministry study of Daniel's Apocalyptic Visions kicked off this week. Join us via ZOOM on Wednesdays at 6.30 pm (link online) or in the Sanctuary Thursdays at 9.30 am.

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Join In! Sunday School provides great opportunity for connection and growth in Christ in 2021! The 7.45 service class will dive into the book of Romans and Ryan Dickerson's class is studying the life of Christ through the Pauline epistles. Both classes provide rich spiritual “meat” to chew on! Jeff Swarner's class is having guest teacher, Barat Travis, lead us in how to get the most out of our personal Bible study using inductive studying principles. Are you desiring a spiritually rich 2021? Join us.

Men's Ministry January Social Night. Gathering in large groups may not be the wisest move given current virus transmissions but there are still ways to facilitate community that are relatively safe. This week we encourage you to clear your schedule for a night of fellowship and connection. Pick a night that week and gather some friends from the church in a way that works for you (back porch, socially spaced indoors, or on ZOOM). Don't let busyness or COVID isolation rob you of camaraderie. Email or text Darin if you're gathering a group or you'd like help connecting to a group (313.574.1205 or darin@fpcbr.org).

Glorious Christmas Offering. You contributed over \$62,800 to our Christmas offering for city ministry. The Christian Outreach Center and Gardere Community Christian School send their heartfelt thanks for your contributions.

Gerrit's New Article on Desiring God (desiringgod.org). “Into the Waters with Us: Five Reasons Jesus Was Baptized.” Copies are available at the Connection Center.

Couples' Workshop, February 5 & 6. Baton Rouge Christian Counseling Center is offering a couples' workshop Friday, February 5 and Saturday, February 6 at The Chapel on Siegen. Please visit brchristiancounseling.com for more information.

Need a Pastor After Hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

Twice a Week: Hurricane Relief Day Trips. Whitney Alexander leads a group of relief workers each Wednesday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome. Meet him in the church parking lot at 6.30 am. Bring work gloves! Also, relief items continue to be collected in the gym. Immediately needed items: contractor bags, buckets and cleaning supplies (Fabuloso and bleach).

Why Do We Mask? At First, we insist on masks at our gatherings. Is it inconvenient? Yes! Is their effectiveness debatable? Yes! But . . . 1) It's the law, 2) We respect the medical minds in our own congregation and 3) *We love one another.* We have members who are at risk, fellow worshipers who, for safety concerns, would not come if we wore no masks. Scripture (1 Cor. 8) clearly calls on those who have more freedom to inconvenience themselves for those who have less. So, please, wear a mask inside and do it for love's sake.

Sanctuary Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Norwood, Jr. and Larry Charles Musgrove, Sr. by Chrystal Norwood Musgrove and family.*

Scripture for Next Week: Luke 5: 12-16

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ORDER of WORSHIP

January 17, AD 2021

11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Darin Travis

Prelude

- I. *Allegretto* from Sonata in G Major by C.P.E. Bach
Rachel Ciarldo, flute
Steve Gustafson, organ

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 115

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.

The idols of the nations are silver and gold, the work of human hands.
They have mouths, but do not speak; eyes, but do not see.

They have ears, but do not hear; noses, but do not smell.
Those who make them become like them; so do all who trust in them.

O Israel, trust in the LORD!
He is our help and our shield.

O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD!
He is our help and our shield.

You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!
He is our help and our shield.

*Hymn of Praise

“O Worship the King”

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*Blessing God

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We confess, O LORD, that our eyes, minds and hearts have been downcast. In our observation of these present days and the thoughtless repetition of the routines of daily life we only see despair and impossibility. We are tempted to believe that what we see is all there is. We have listened to the wrong voices. We have lived in a small way. Help us to see the wonderful, miraculous surprises that await faithful obedience to your command. Help us to acknowledge the truth about our sinfulness and your perfection. We would see you in your holy temple and be woven into the tapestry of your glory. Amen.

*Standing

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response

From Psalm 28: 6-7

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**Praise to the LORD, for he has heard
The plea for mercy which I made.
He is my strength, he is my shield;
I trust in him who sends me aid.**

*Greeting and Announcements

*Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children’s Church.
Please place your offering in the baskets as you exit worship today.*

Congregational Meeting



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 5: 1-11

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119: 103, 105).

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson
“Put Out into the Deep”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Communion Hymn

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

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LORD’S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer and 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.

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

** *This morning we will come forward to receive communion. Ushers will direct worshipers from the back pews: outer sections first, center section next and the balcony last. You may partake of the bread and wine after returning to your seat.*