



GRACE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Welcome & Preparation: Tom Ayres

Song of Worship: **The Solid Rock**

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand. (*Repeat*)

Prayer of Adoration: (Concluded by all saying 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 and ever. Amen.

Silent Praise & Thanksgiving:

Scripture Reading: John 17:13-23 Paula Krzyzewski

“But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

“I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.”

Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-8

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

**All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like
the eagle's.**

Leader: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

All: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Songs of Worship:

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O love that will not let me go I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be

O light that follows all my way I yield my flick'ring torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be

O joy that seekest me through pain I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O cross that liftest up my head I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage
Kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King
Reigning over all
So I will not fear for this truth remains:
That my God is the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though the dread of night
Overwhelms my soul
He is here with me
I am not alone
O His love is sure and He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though I may not see
What the future brings

I will watch and wait
For the Saviour King
Then my joy complete standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days
For my God is the Ancient of Days

You Are My Shield (Psalm 3)

See how my foes increase
See them rising up against me
They rob my soul of peace
And say there is no help in God

But You, O Lord, You are my shield
You lift my head
I'm as safe with You out on the field
As in my bed
You keep my life concealed
You are my shield

I lifted up my voice
And You answered from Your mountain
You made my soul rejoice
For yes, there is great help in God

You, O Lord, You are my shield
You lift my head
I'm as safe with You out on the field
As in my bed

You keep my life concealed
You are my shield

Rise up, O Lord, and fight
Break their jaws, destroy the wicked
Show us Your power and might
None can save us, none but God

You, O Lord, You are my shield
You lift my head
I'm as safe with You out on the field
As in my bed
You keep my life concealed
You are my shield

(Interlude)

You, O Lord, You are my shield
You lift my head
I'm as safe with You out on the field
As in my bed

You keep my life concealed
My foes around me all will yield
I know the victory is sealed
You are my shield

Children's Dismissal and Announcements: Fill out our [Connection Card](#).
www.gracehamptons.org/connect

- **GraceGroup 101 Meeting.** We will meet today, following the worship service in the basement to distribute materials and go over important information regarding your new GraceGroups.
- **Ladies Bible Study** Tuesdays 9AM-11AM. For more information, contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesleym@gracehamptons.org).
- **Guys Night Out: Monday Night Football.** Monday, September 26th, 7:30PM. Catch the Cowboys vs Giants game with us at the Publick House in Southampton with some great food and even greater guys! For more information, contact Nate Burns (nathanielburns@gmail.com).
- **GraceYouth Group** Wednesday, September 28th, 6:30PM-8PM. We will gather at the church for some fun times and good Bible conversations. For more information, contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesleym@gracehamptons.org).
- **Congregational Prayer Meeting.** Sunday, October 2nd, after the worship service.
- **SecondSaturdaysOut! Volunteers Needed.** SecondSaturdaysOut is back on Saturday, October 8th. Email Adriana Pariz (adriana@gracehamptons.org) to volunteer or sign up to volunteer through our Grace Church app.

Offertory: *To give via text, text the word "GIVE" to [833-892-6212](tel:833-892-6212). First time givers will have to fill out a short form with billing information. After the initial setup, giving is as easy as sending a text message.*

Prayer of Confession:

Leader: Almighty and Merciful Father, you have called us to be your people and have made us one body. Yet we have not lived like we are one body.

All: **We have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us, and we have failed to look out for others' interests above**

our own. Conceit has gripped us, and we have failed to associate with and care for those who are different from ourselves. We have not treated one another as those in whom Christ dwells.

Forgive us for our offenses against you, and go on to subdue everything in us that is contrary to your purposes. By the power of your Spirit make us a community that shows forth your acceptance, kindness and love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession:

Words of Encouragement: 1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Prayer of the People: Jessica Barber

Sermon Series: *Family History*

Sermon Text: Acts 20:17-28

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¹⁷ Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸ And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹ serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰ how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹ testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²² And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³ except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴ But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵ And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶ Therefore I testify to you this day that I am

innocent of the blood of all, ²⁷ for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸ Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹ I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰ and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹ Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. ³² And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³ I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴ You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵ In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

³⁶ And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. ³⁷ And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, ³⁸ being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

Sermon:

Parting Words

Andrew Barber

The Lord's Supper:

Hymn of Response:

For All The Saints

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
To Thee by faith - before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Allelu...

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain - in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness - drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Allelu...

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
Fight as the saints - who nobly fought of old,

And win with them - the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Allelu...

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful - warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of - paradise the blessed.
Alleluia, Allelu...

But lo! There breaks, a yet more glorious day
The saints triumphant - rise in bright array
The King of glory - passes on His way.
Alleluia, Allelu...

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl - streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Allelu...ia!

Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Dismissal:

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Hallelujah, Amen!

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