Lord's Day Worship April 16, 2023

*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

Welcome, Announcements Susan Dodd Silent Prayer

<u>PRAISE</u>

* Call to Worship Psalm 118:24

Ryker Castleman: "This is the day that the Lord has made";

Congregation: "Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

*Song Holy, Holy, Holy

*Prayer of Confession Orion Rutherford

Dear God, you are a great and awesome God. Today we come to you in a prayer of confession. We are sorry for the many things that we have done that are wrong in your eyes. We are also sorry for all the things we should have done but we didn't do. We are asking now for forgiveness for these things, and for other things that we have done wrong and don't even know about. Please forgive us. In your name alone we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

John 3:16 ESV

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

Congregation—Thanks be to God!

RENEWAL

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

*Song Wonderfully Made *Song God with Us

Offering Doxology (Anne Rice)

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Joshua 24:14-18 (Cable Castleman)
Sermon Text Matthew 19:13-15 (Lilly Trenckmann)
Sermon "Let the Children Worship!"

*Affirmation of Faith New City Catechism, Week One Skylar Folkes: What is our only hope in life and death?

Congregation: That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior

* Song What is Our Only Hope in Life and Death?

* Benediction Pastor Douglas and Zoe

*Dismissal: (Brielle Rutherford and Persephone Castleman) Church, where are you going?

Congregation: We go forth to serve God's world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

(Brielle and Persephone) Glory to God!

Jesus Christ.

SERMON NOTES

"Let the Children Worship!"
Matthew 19:13-15

- I) Opening Let the Children Worship!
- II) Texts
 - A) Joshua 24:14-18: Parents and Their Children
 - 1) Proper knowledge
 - 2) God's will revealed in his law
 - 3) Hearing and obeying
 - B) Matthew 19:13-15
 - 1) 19:13 The disciples rebuke Jesus
 - 2) 19:14 Children have inheritance too
 - 3) 19:15 Jesus blesses the children
- **III) The Problem?** Age segregated ministry *has* not worked.
- **IV) Application**
 - 1) Public worship matters!
 - 2) The Pastor, Session and congregation must equip parents to disciple their children.
 - 3) Children build congregations long term.
- **V) Conclusion** Let us remember that each and every member of the congregation is a godparent to the children of the congregation. It's true that God does not have grandchildren and only children. But he nonetheless works through families in Scripture!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: "THE WOMEN OF EASTER: Encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth and Mary Magdalene", by Liz Curtis Higgs. The next to the last study is scheduled for Saturday morning, April 22nd at the Ministry Center. Study begins at 10:30 am and concludes at noon. Books are available for \$10.00. Please sign up at the Information Table. Contact Vicki Abel @ (509) 362-0793 or Anne Rice @ (208) 908-9988 for more info.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: Please take a look at the 2022 Directory at the Information Table and update or change your information as needed, or you can email the church office with your updated information. Paula Tonkin will be available to take a new picture if you would like, or if you don't have one yet, after worship service. Please email the office if you have any questions.

ZOOM NEW CITY CATACHISM STUDY: Starting this coming Wednesday evening at 7pm, led by Pastor Douglas. Please email, call or text Pastor Douglas or the church office if you would like to be **added** to the current group.

LOCATIONS of UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

April 23rd Kleiner Center

April 30th Courtyard Marriott (Pastor Doug's Installation)

May 7th Kleiner Center

May 14th Kleiner Center

May 21st Kleiner Center

May 28th Courtyard Marriott

PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING: Charlie Gray, Paul Hoover, Dave Abel, Casey Rayburn, Ron Kappel, Ruthy Rayburn, Charles Coon, Linda Perkins, Josh, Diania, Karen Yeager. Pray for Jim & Laura Shaffer for wisdom in dealing with family health issues.

EPC PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST: Pray this week for Kenton EPC Church in Portland, OR, and their session. (Their pastor recently retired).

MISSIONARIES: Please pray for Gabo and Sylvia, missionaries to Guatemala.



"...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything." Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

April 16, 2023 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna "Let the Children Worship!" Matthew 19:13-15

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