

The Worship of God



February 28, 2016

Harbor Church exists as a family of God's people to glorify God in all things, by preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ crucified, equipping His saints, and engaging our community and the world with the love of Christ.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

READING OF GOD'S WORD: Romans 3:21-25

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.

CORPORATE CONFESSION:

Confession of Sin: (In Unison)

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.

(Silent Confession of Sin)

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 4:7-8

⁷ "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; ⁸ blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 26:1-4 (Read Responsively)

We have a strong city; he sets up salvation as walls and bulwarks.

Open the gates, that the righteous nation that keeps faith may enter in.

You keep him in perfect peace,

Whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.

Trust in the LORD forever,

For the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock.

"AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN"

Trinity Hymnal #455

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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VISITORS!! We are glad you are here! Please let us know how we can assist you. **Please fill out a blue Welcome Card** located in any seat pocket and place it in the offering plate. **Refreshments** are served after Worship next door in the Fellowship Building. Please stay to enjoy this time with others before joining us for Sunday School.

NURSERY—Loving child care is provided for infants & children **age 6 months to 4 years**. Of course, infants and children are always welcome in the worship service.

Sunday Servants

Officer of the Day	Congregational Prayers	
Today, 2/28: <i>Gabe Atchison</i>	<i>Jim Aldridge</i>	
Next Sun, 3/6: <i>Don Deal</i>	<i>Michael Colvard</i>	
Welcoming Team	Communion Preparation	
Today, 2/28: <i>The Mahan's</i>	<i>The Sloop's</i>	
Next Sun, 3/6: <i>The McMillan's</i>	<i>TBD (Volunteer Sign up Sheet in Lobby)</i>	
Refreshment Set-up		
Today, 2/28: <i>The Sloop's</i>		
Next Sun, 3/6: <i>The Deal's</i>		
Nursery		
Today, 2/28: Worship Service: <i>The Wildeman's</i>	Sunday School: <i>Toni Alexander</i>	
Next Sun, 3/6: Worship Service: <i>Beth Bouts & Addie Aldridge</i>	Sunday School: <i>Linda Moore</i>	

Sunday School

WC = Worship Center FB = Fellowship Building
 Nursery: Rotational Schedule (WC 101)
 Pre-K: Todd & Pam Ware (WC 103)
 K—2nd: Jim & Tracie Aldridge (WC 102)
 3rd—5th: Antonia Alexander and Sandy Mahan (FB 104)
 6th—12th: Pastor Michael Colvard (FB 101)
 Adults: Meets in Room 201, located on the 2nd floor

Congregational Tithes	Actual	Budget	Difference
Last Week 2/21/2016	2,333.26	3,500.00	(1,166.74)
Month to Date 2/21/2016	12,060.26	10,500.00	1,560.26
Prior Month Jan 2016	14,509.22	17,500.00	(2,990.78)
Year to Date 2/21/2016	26,569.48	28,000.00	(1,430.52)
Mortgage Relief Fund	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Year to Date 2/21/2016	355.00	0.00	12,394.86
Faith Promise	Actual	Pledge	Difference
Year to Date 2/21/2016	1,075.00	12,170.00	(11,095.00)

Mark Your Calendars!

For Your Information!

2016 Supported Missionaries

INSTALLATION SERVICE—Please join us **TONIGHT at 6:30pm** for the installation ceremony for Pastor Michael Colvard. Pastor Chris Baker, Interim Senior Pastor at SouthLake PCA, will be presiding. Light reception to follow the service.

MARSHALL CHILDERS will be visiting from London, England and will be joining us NEXT Sunday morning, **March 6th**, to share an update on his ministry with Greater Europe Mission (GEM). His presentation will be held during the Sunday School hour. Nursery will be provided but we will not have Sunday school classes so everyone can attend!

Church Property SPRING WORKDAY on Saturday, **March 12th**, from 8:00am until 2:00pm. **We need lots of VOLUNTEERS!!! If you can help (even for an hour or two) please sign up on the sheet located in the lobby** or contact Adam Alexander at adamalexander@windstream.net if you have any questions! Coffee and doughnuts will be provided for breakfast & pizza for lunch. Some of the items we'll be working on include: Replacing light bulbs, ballasts, installing a security light, cleaning windows, touch up painting, sheetrock repairs on the downstairs children's bathroom, and spreading mulch.

INTERESTED IN JOINING HARBOR CHURCH? A church membership class will be hosted the weekend of **April 23rd-24th**. If interested in attending or for more details about the class, contact Pastor Michael at (704) 662-6540 or via email at michaelcolvard@harborchurch.org.

Magnify Choir Concert—Easter Holiday performance on Sunday, **March 13th** at 7:00pm. Magnify Worship Building, 11220 Treynorth Drive, Cornelius NC. For more information about the concert or Magnify Choir call Sandy Mahan at (704) 799-7425.

COMMUNION SET-UP Additional Volunteers Needed to prepare Communion on a rotating schedule. Any adult can serve and you can partner with another member OR volunteer as a family. To help with this ministry, you can sign up by filling in your name on the volunteer sheet located on the table in the lobby, call the church office, or email Pastor Michael at michaelcolvard@harborchurch.org.

Inclement Weather and Unsafe Road Conditions—During the winter months regularly check your email and church website for any cancellations or changes in meeting times for all weekly ministries, Sunday worship service, and Sunday School. The church phone message will also be changed.

Children's Church is an optional program held during the sermon message on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month. It is designed to teach children how to more fully participate in the worship service. The lessons are geared towards 4-7 year olds, however, all children are welcome to attend!!

Weekly Sermon Message can be downloaded from our website!!

<p>David & Estelle Abernathy <i>Wycliffe Bible Translators</i></p> <p>Marshall & Amy Childers <i>Greater Europe Mission London, England</i></p> <p>Tennant & Candi Brastow, Drew Gustavson <i>Campus Outreach Charlotte, Davidson College</i></p> <p>Ken Cross <i>Sports Chaplains Network</i></p> <p>Sid & Tere Druen <i>Reformed University Fellowship, Davidson College</i></p> <p>Jarett & Mary Carole Hall <i>Mission to the World, Monterrey, Mexico</i></p> <p>Luke Wulsin <i>Campus Outreach Charlotte High Point University</i></p>	<p>Cynthia Ruble <i>Mission to the World Life Hope Network Crisis Pregnancy Center Nagoya, Japan</i></p> <p>John & Elizabeth Sexton <i>Mission to the World, Medical Missions, West Africa, South America, Canada</i></p> <p>Michael & Lindie Wadhams <i>Mission to the World Lummi Nation, St. of Washington</i></p> <p>Prayer Support</p> <p>Michael & Amy Parks <i>Mission to the World, Tanzania, Tazmania</i></p> <p>David & Stephanie Reeves <i>Campus Crusade for Christ The Jesus Film Project</i></p> <p>Pat & Jen Patrick</p>
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'Tis myst'ry all! The Immortal dies: who can explore His strange design?
 In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, Let angel minds inquire no more.
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace!
 Humbled Himself so great His love! And bled for all His chosen race.
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For O my God, it found out me!
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
 My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
 Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine,
 Bold I approach the eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

READING OF GOD'S WORD: Ephesians 2:1-9

¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

“BY FAITH”

By faith we see the hand of God,
 In the light of creation's grand design,
 In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
 Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth,
 With the power of His promise in their hearts,
 Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
 A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise;
 We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
 Till the race is finished and the work is done,
 We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day,
 When the longed-for Messiah would appear,
 With the power to break the chains of sin and death,
 And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go,
 In the power of the Spirit to the lost.
 To deliver captives and to preach good news,
 In every corner of the earth. *(Chorus)*

By faith this mountain shall be moved,
 And the power of the gospel shall prevail,
 For we know in Christ all things are possible,
 For all who call upon His name. *(Chorus)*

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CONFESSION OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechisms *(Read Responsively)*

#30 How does the [Holy] Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

The Spirit applies to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

#86 What is faith in Jesus Christ?

Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

“PENSIVE, DOUBTING, FEARFUL HEART”

Pensive, doubting, fearful heart, Hear what Christ the Savior says;
 Every word should joy impart, Change thy mourning into praise.
 Yes, He speaks and speaks to thee, May He help thee to believe;
 Then thou presently will see, Thou has little cause to grieve.

Fear thou not, nor be ashamed; All thy sorrows soon shall end,
 I, who heaven and earth have framed, Am thy Husband and thy Friend;
 I the High and Holy One, Israel's God, by all adored,
 As thy Savior will be known, Thy Redeemer and thy Lord.

For a moment I withdrew, And thy heart was filled with pain;
 But my mercies I'll renew; Thou shall soon rejoice again;
 Though I seem to hide my face, Very soon my wrath shall cease;
 'Tis but for a moment's space, Ending in eternal peace.

Though afflicted, tempest tossed, Comfortless awhile thou art,
 Do not think thou can be lost, Thou art graven on my heart;
 All thy wastes I will repair; Thou shalt be rebuilt anew;
 And in thee it shall appear, What the God of love can do.

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

Mr. Jim Aldridge

WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING

“JESUS, WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS

Trinity Hymnal #498 (vs 1,2,5)

Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
 Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Chorus

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!
 Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him.
 Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my victory wins. *(Chorus)*

Jesus! I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find.
 He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine. *(Chorus)*

“DOXOLOGY”

Trinity Hymnal #731

SERMON TEXT: Galatians 2:15-16

¹⁵ We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶ yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

SERMON “Saving Faith”

Pastor Michael Colvard

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(wine is in the outer most ring, grape juice is in the inner rings)

“JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS”

Trinity Hymnal #264

Jesus, keep me near the cross;
 There a precious fountain,
 Free to all—a healing stream—
 Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

Chorus

In the Cross, in the Cross, be my glory ever;
 Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul,
 Love and mercy found me;
 There the Bright and Morning Star,
 Shed its beams around me. *(Chorus)*

Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
 Bring its scenes before me;
 Help me walk from day to day,
 With its shadow o'er me. *(Chorus)*

Near the cross I'll watch and wait,
 Hoping, trusting ever,
 Till I reach the golden strand,
 Just beyond the river. *(Chorus)*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



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