

GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE

for the
**Glory of God
and the**

Renewal of His People

March 3, 2019



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Glorifying God...

Embracing Scripture...

Loving Corpus Christi...

GATHERING SONG

Immortal Invisible

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

Immortal, invisible God only wise,
In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Your great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
Not wanting or wasting, you rule us in might.
Your justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Your clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Your angels adore you, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render, oh help us to see,
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

(*Indicates where congregation is invited to stand, as able)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(See the inside of the back page)

***Information Cards.** Please take a moment to fill out the information card in your bulletin, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, place your card in offering tray as it passes or on your seat after the service.*

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Isaiah 45:22-23

Turn to me and be saved,
all the ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.
By myself I have sworn;
from my mouth has gone out in righteousness
a word that shall not return:
"To me every knee shall bow,
every tongue shall swear allegiance."

WORSHIPING GOD’S GREATNESS

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***CALL to WORSHIP**

Psalm 100:1-5

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Congregation: Serve the LORD with gladness!

Minister: Come into his presence with singing!

Congregation: Know that the LORD, he is God!

Minister: It is he who made us, and we are his;

Congregation: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Minister: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Congregation: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Minister: For the LORD is good;

**Congregation: His steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

*SONG of ADORATION

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (Hymn #76, Verses 1, 2, 5)

Words: Henry F. Lyte, 1834 Music: John Goss, 1869

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven
Who, like me, His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress
Praise Him, still the same forever
Slow to chide and swift to bless;
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Angels, help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.

* PRAYER of INVOCATION 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.

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE

*CONFESSON of FAITH

John 15:1-5

Minister:

Jesus said,

Congregation:

I am the true vine,
and my Father is the vinedresser.
Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away,
and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes,
that it may bear more fruit.
Already you are clean
because of the word that I have spoken to you.
Abide in me, and I in you.
As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself,
unless it abides in the vine,
neither can you, unless you abide in me.
I am the vine; you are the branches.
Whoever abides in me and I in him,
he it is that bears much fruit,
for apart from me you can do nothing.
If anyone does not abide in me
he is thrown away like a branch and withers;
and the branches are gathered,
thrown into the fire, and burned.

CONFESSION of SIN

Please, pray the following in unison

**Merciful God,
You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You.
We humbly confess our sins and ask for Your mercy.
We have not loved You with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with You, our God.
Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness.
In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Restore to us the joy of Your salvation,
and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit. Amen.**

ASSURANCE of PARDON for BELIEVERS

Titus 3:5-7

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

What Wondrous Love Is This? (Hymn #261)

Words and Music: Alexander Means and William Walker

What wondrous love is this
O my soul O my soul
What wondrous love is this O my soul
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul for my soul
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

To God and to the Lamb
I will sing I will sing
To God and to the Lamb I will sing
To God and to the Lamb
Who is the great I Am
While millions join the theme
I will sing I will sing
While millions join the theme I will sing

And when from death I'm free
I'll sing on I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free
I'll sing and joyful be
And through eternity I'll sing on I'll sing on
And through eternity I'll sing on

PRAYER of COMMITAL for our OFFERINGS

Giving Month-to-Date:	\$ 26,728.00	Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date:	\$ 287,597.00
Goal Month-to-Date:	\$ 24,000.00	Goal Fiscal Year-to-Date:	\$ 288,000.00

GIVING of OFFERINGS

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 15:1-2, 11-32 (page 874-875)

PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD

Please contact Tammy at the church office for prayer needs and updates.

He Will Rejoice Over You

Words and Music: Scott Wesley Brown and David Hampton

The Lord our God is with you
He is mighty to save
The Lord will take great delight in you
He will quiet you with his love

The Lord our God is with you
He is mighty to save
The Lord will take great delight in you
He will quiet you with his love

He will rejoice over you
He will rejoice over you
If you could only hear his voice
You would hear the Lord rejoice
Rejoicing over you with singing

The Lord our God is with you
He is mighty to save
The Lord will take great delight in you
He will quiet you with his love

EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

*READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD

Isaiah 5 (page 569-571)

*SONG of RESPONSE

There is a Fountain Filled with Blood

Words: William Cowper, 1771 Music: Lowell Mason, 1830

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains,
Lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away:
Washed all my sins away,
Washed all my sins away;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved, to sin no more:
Be saved, to sin no more,
Be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die:
And shall be till I die,
And shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

There are prayers on the back of the bulletin to assist you in praying, particularly if the Christian faith is new or unknown to you.

Elders are available to pray with you.

Feel free to bring children forward even if they are not partaking of the elements.

If you are physically unable to come forward but wish to partake, servers will bring the elements to you.

Serving of the Elements

(wine is in the outer ring of the trays; juice in the inner)

*SONG of CELEBRATION

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson Music: Christopher Miner

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 followest all my way,
I yield my flickering 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.

***BENEDICTION**

Romans 1:7

Congregation: (Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!

***GREETING**

***POSTLUDE**

*We praise the Lord for our accompanists this morning
– vocalists and instrumentalists and audio and video technicians.*

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MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

Wil and Mary Nettleton Reformed University Fellowship, Trinity University

Wil Nettleton was actively involved in Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) during his college years at the University of Mississippi. He then served as an RUF intern at the University of North Carolina, where he met his wife Mary. After he graduated from seminary, the Nettletons moved to San Antonio where they continued the RUF ministry at Trinity University that Michael Novak started.

Please pray for Wil and Mary as they develop relations with students in this their second year at Trinity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY MARCH 3

Church Directory. A draft of the latest Congregational Directory has been placed on the Welcome Table to review and make corrections.

Today Lunch Bunch. All are invited to join the lunch bunch Outback Steakhouse, 4221 SPID.

This Evening 6:00pm Sunday Night Fellowship. Join us for singing, prayer, a Bible lesson, and fellowship

Daylight Saving Time Ends 2am Sunday, March 10.

March 10 – Barnabas Mercy Fund Offering and Fellowship Luncheon. The Barnabas Mercy Fund Offering is used to help with needs among our congregation's members and acquaintances. **Fellowship Luncheon.** Everyone is invited to stay after Worship Service for our monthly fellowship Luncheon. Families are asked to bring a main dish and side or a main dish and dessert. Paul Miller will be preaching.

March 17 – Congregational Meeting. Immediately following the worship service we will be presenting the 2019-2020 Proposed Budget, also we will present other opportunities to serve.

March 19 – Women's Noon Fellowship. We're studying the book of James and currently focusing on chapter 2; bring your lunch and join us. This month we are meeting in Betty & Dick Clark's home. For more information please contact Jeannie McCrocklin.

March 22 Men's Fellowship 7:30pm at Tim and Michelle Mulder's home.

March 29-30 2019 Spring Women's Conference in New Braunfels

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – Amen