

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

PRELUDE

Jesus, with Thy Church

WELCOME!

Doug Jewell

Pew pads are located along the inside aisle. Please take a moment to let us know that you were with us this morning and to tell us how we can help you today.

OUR HISTORIC FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 43

Q 112. What is God's will for you in the ninth commandment?

A. God's will is that I never give false testimony against anyone, twist no one's words, not gossip or slander, nor join in condemning anyone without a hearing or without a just cause. Rather, in court and everywhere else, I should avoid lying and deceit of every kind; these are devices the devil himself uses, and they would call down on me God's intense anger. I should love the truth, speak it candidly, and openly acknowledge it. And I should do what I can to guard and advance my neighbor's good name. Ps. 15; Prov. 19:5; Matt. 7:1; Luke 6:37; Rom. 1:28-32; Lev. 19:11-12; Prov. 12:22; 13:5; John 8:44; Rev. 21:8; 1 Cor. 13:6; Eph. 4:25; 1 Pet. 3:8-9; 4:8

CALL TO WORSHIP

WORSHIP IN SONG

*O Help My Unbelief
Bless the Lord*

CONFESSION OF SIN

(by a member of Grace)

Most gracious God, I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. I have enlisted the tools of the enemy - twisting words and building my thoughts on false foundations. What I say is not always trustworthy or uplifting, but instead riddled with lies and misrepresentations of Truth. I have grown comfortable in my deception by joining others in cavalier speech, as if increasing numbers diminishes the sin. Instead of wisdom, I speak folly. Instead of thoughtful care, I speak out of turn. Instead of humility, I speak as if I have authority. My entire self has been taken captive by the lies of my heart, the world, and the enemy. Father, I am sorry. Teach me to walk in Your ways. Wash these unclean lips so that I may be a faithful witness of the Truth. Transform this deceitful heart that my actions may point towards the Giver of Life.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Psalm 116:1-2; 5-7; 13-14

I love the Lord, for he heard my voice;

He heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,

I will call on him as long as I live.

The Lord is gracious and righteous;

Our God is full of compassion.

The Lord protects the unwary;

When I was brought low, he saved me.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE, CONTINUED

Return to your rest, my soul,

For the Lord has been good to you.

I will lift up the cup of salvation

And call on the name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord

In the presence of all his people.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

All I Have

Following the Offering, children will be dismissed. Nursery is available for children two years and under. Children three years of age through fifth grade may go to Children's Church.

RENEWAL

GREETING ONE ANOTHER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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 and ever.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 27:14-34

¹⁴ So he went and got them and brought them to his mother, and she prepared some tasty food, just the way his father liked it. ¹⁵ Then Rebekah took the best clothes of Esau her older son, which she had in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob. ¹⁶ She also covered his hands and the smooth part of his neck with the goatskins. ¹⁷ Then she handed to her son Jacob the tasty food and the bread she had made.

¹⁸ He went to his father and said, "My father."

"Yes, my son," he answered. "Who is it?"

¹⁹ Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game so that you may give me your blessing."

²⁰ Isaac asked his son, "How did you find it so quickly, my son?"

"The LORD your God gave me success," he replied.

²¹ Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near so I can touch you, my son, to know whether you really are my son Esau or not." ²² Jacob went close to his father Isaac, who touched him and said, "The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau." ²³ He did not recognize him, for his hands were hairy like those of his brother Esau; so he blessed him. ²⁴ "Are you really my son Esau?" he asked.

"I am," he replied.

²⁵ Then he said, "My son, bring me some of your game to eat, so that I may give you my blessing." Jacob brought it to him and he ate; and he brought some wine and he drank. ²⁶ Then his father Isaac said to him, "Come here, my son, and kiss me." ²⁷ So he went to him and kissed him. When Isaac caught the smell of his clothes, he blessed him and said,

"Ah, the smell of my son

is like the smell of a field that the LORD has blessed.

²⁸ May God give you of heaven's dew and of earth's richness

-- an abundance of grain and new wine.

²⁹ May nations serve you and peoples bow down to you.

Be lord over your brothers,

and may the sons of your mother bow down to you.

May those who curse you be cursed

and those who bless you be blessed."

³⁰ After Isaac finished blessing him and Jacob had scarcely left his father's presence, his brother Esau came in from hunting. ³¹ He too prepared some tasty food and brought it to his father.

Then he said to him, "My father, sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me your blessing."

³² His father Isaac asked him, "Who are you?"

"I am your son," he answered, "your firstborn, Esau."

³³ Isaac trembled violently and said, "Who was it, then, that hunted game and brought it to me? I ate it just before you came and I blessed him-- and indeed he will be blessed!"

³⁴ When Esau heard his father's words, he burst out with a loud and bitter cry and said to his father, "Bless me-- me too, my father!"

SERMON

Pastor Randy Edwards

"The Gospel According to Jacob: His Father's Eyes"

RESPONSE

SONG FOR REFLECTION

Jesus, Cast a Look on Me

Our Father

BENEDICTION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NAMETAGS HAVE BEEN UPDATED: Please use your nametags to help those who are visiting and those who've been here a long time and keep forgetting.

ADULT BIBLE COMMUNITY each Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:15. We are Exploring Christianity through the Gospel of Mark.

FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING: we are hosting Family Promise **THIS WEEK!** Please stay to help set up, and mark your 2012 calendars for Feb 5-12, Apr 8-15, and June 10-17.

ROBINWOOD THANKSGIVING FEAST is scheduled for November 13. Mark your calendars and stoke those ovens as we visit and serve our friends at Robinwood.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: We rehearse every other week and our next rehearsal is **TOMORROW** from 8-9pm at the building. For more information or to sign up please contact Michael Kuehn (eventhieves@gmail.com).

MISSIONS DESSERT at the Baums' 7:00 pm **TONIGHT.** Rebecca Angle is going to Spain with World Harvest Mission in the next year. Please come and show our support of her as she shares her heart for missions.

NOVEMBER 6TH IS NATIONAL ORPHAN SUNDAY. The mission committee would like to raise awareness regarding the care and needs of orphans world wide and allow the congregation of Grace to be involved. We will kick off a children's vitamin drive on November 6th which will run for the entire month of November. Hard chewable vitamins are needed to supplement the feeding programs provided by Vision Trust International. Keep this in mind as you shop over the next few weeks and be prepared to help. Boxes will be placed in the foyer to collect the vitamins.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNITIES are taking this week off due to GPC's hosting of Family Promise. On November 2, we will have Wednesday Night Community Fellowship Dinner at 6pm. Regular activities will resume on November 9.

CORRECTION: The LIT group (4th and 5th graders) will have puppet show practice on Wednesday, Nov 2 after the Wednesday night dinner.

SYNERGY PRESCHOOL CARNIVAL is coming. All of our preschool friends and family are invited to come to a preschool carnival hosted by our elementary kids on Saturday, November 5th from 4 to 6 pm. We will have games, food, rides and prizes. Last year's carnival was tons of fun. You won't want to miss it!

SHOWER/SIP-N-SEE for Sara Masi Sexton in celebration of Baby Solomon (born October 11). He came early (it was supposed to be a normal shower!!) The floating shower will be held at the home of Suzan Banks from 2pm-4pm on Saturday, October 29.

HIGH SCHOOL D-GROUP meets TONIGHT from 6-8pm at Maison d'Eduoard (aka Pastor Randy's). Bring your Bible and some money to contribute to the food fund.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The High School Fall Retreat is scheduled for October 28-30 at the Vineyard. We will depart Friday from the church parking lot at 5pm.

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY NEEDS volunteers in all areas. Please contact Vicki Jones for more information or a no-obligation tour at 724-7875, ext 1043 or email: voluteer@crisiscontrol.org.

HELP FAMILY PROMISE of Forsyth County "Drive Out Homelessness"! on October 29, 2011 and help Family Promise "Drive Out Homelessness"! This will be an evening of fun, beginning with Dinner, Silent Auction and culminating in our Reverse Car Raffle, where the last ticket remaining wins a 2012 Chevrolet Cruze! **Cost for tickets: Reverse Raffle:** \$100 includes one raffle ticket, Dinner and Silent Auction; **Dinner/Silent Auction:** \$20. You can purchase them online at www.familypromiseforsyth.org/auction.html or directly from Joe Dell'Arena.

MANAGUA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY PRESENTS Shelly Johnson in Concert on Oct 30 at 7:00pm at Community Bible Church in High Point. Michael Kuehn will also be featured. There is no charge to attend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Chris Hicks (10/27).

MORE INFORMATION ONLINE

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OUR SUNDAY SERVANTS

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Nursery Coordinator: Gail Adams • Nursery Scheduler: Christy Ogburn

| Date | Walkers | 2-year-olds | Children's Church |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TODAY | Judy Young Kelly Young | Ben & Suzan Banks | Oct 3/4yr Amelia Trant & Pinkney Greene K-2nd Karl & Mary Freeman 3th-5th Dave & Danielle Wiebking |
| Oct 30 | Don & Randi Bechtold | Alan & Tammy Cables | |
| Nov 6 | David & Jackie Crowe | Erin Collins Bryan Pardue | Nov 3/4yr Mike Lis & Mona Underhill K-2nd Clay & Nicole Howard 3th-5th Ted & Amy Mead |
| Nov 13 | Joan Dalton Sky Smith | Sarah Hicks Jacob Pardue | |

| Ushers | Greeters |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Hugh Smith Ben Banks | October: Mainharts |
| Dave Collins Doug Sonnenburg | November: Jewells |
| Matt Lievens Jim Dougherty | December: Plybons |

| Elder Prayer Rotation | Rapid Visitation |
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| October: Matt Lievens | October: Mimi Mucher |
| November: Don Bechtold | November: Amy Mead |

| Deacon | | |
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| Today | Oct 30 | Nov 6 |
| Joe Dell'Arena | Karl Freeman | Chad Sapp |

| Worship Team |
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| Michael Kuehn, Tim Irvin, Randy Edwards, Zoo Jodi Pardue, John DeBoer, Cheryl Voss |

Our Church Officers
Session: Don Bechtold, Randy Edwards, Matt Lievens, Jim Plybon, Wynn Baum, and John DeBoer
Diaconate: David Collins, Joe Dell'Arena, Jim Dougherty, Karl Freeman, and Chad Sapp.

Church Staff and Contact Extensions
The church office is open Monday through Thursday from 9am until noon.
 Randy Edwards, Pastor/Teacher • ext. 11
 Carla Collins, Accountant/Children's Ministry Coordinator/Preschool Director • ext. 12

| Weekly Financial Summary | General Fund | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|-------------------------|
| | 2011 General Fund Budget \$323,870 | | | | |
| | | budget | contributions | expenses | needed to meet expenses |
| | MTD Oct 11 | \$ 26,990 | \$ 27,379 | \$ 19,119 | (\$ 389) |
| | YTD | \$ 269,900 | \$ 274,921 | \$ 263,851 | (\$ 4,632) |
| Building | | Missions | | | |
| MTD Oct 11 | \$ 0 | MTD Oct 11 | \$ 669 | | |
| YTD | \$ 480 | YTD | \$ 5,740 | | |



For the grace of God that brings salvation
has appeared to all men.

October 23, 2011

Then I said, "The thing I would like, actually, is to bless you."

He shrugged. "What would that involve?"

"Well, as I envisage it, it would involve my placing my hand on your brow and asking the protection of God for you. But if it would be embarrassing—" There were a few people on the street.

"No, no," he said. "That doesn't matter." And he took his hat off and set it on his knee and closed his eyes and lowered his head, almost rested it against my hand, and I did bless him to the limit of my powers, whatever they are, repeating the benediction of Numbers, of course—"The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee: The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace." Nothing could be more beautiful than that, or more expressive of my feelings, certainly, or more sufficient for that matter. Then when he didn't open his eyes or lift up his head, I said, "Lord, bless John Ames Boughton, this beloved son and brother and husband and father." Then he sat back and looked at me as if he were waking out of a dream.

Marilynne Robinson, *Gilead*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER

If you have a prayer request which you would like to have offered during the Pastoral Prayer, please speak with the pastor during the break.

Elder Prayer: If you would like prayer, Elders are available after the service to pray with you.

Men's Prayer each Friday Morning in the Fellowship Hall from 6-7:15 am.