

June 3, 2018

TODAY: Bible Classes - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:15 a.m.
Message by PASTOR JIM BYRD
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.
Message by PASTOR ALLAN ISON
INTERNET: SermonAudio.com
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WEDNESDAY: Mid-week Service - 7:00 p.m.
Message by ELDER RON TRABANDT

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IT IS FINISHED

Tune: "From Every Stormy Wind That Blows," (LM)
Words by Pastor Jim Byrd

We bless the name of Christ the Lord,
For through His blood we are restored;
The work is finished, fully done,
By Jesus Christ, the Father's Son.

Each of the prophecies of old,
Concerning Christ, by men foretold;
They all are finished, for our God
Upon this earth in flesh has trod.

No sacrifice on altars slain,
Could put away our guilt and stain;
They all are finished, Christ has died,
Our holy God is satisfied.

The law in all its fearfulness,
Our Lord fulfilled in righteousness;
'Tis finished! Jesus fully met
The law's demands and paid our debt.

O may these words bring joy and cheer,
Let all who trust Him never fear;
'Tis finished, Christ the Savior cried,
And by His blood we're justified.

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

June 3 Cora Holbrook
4 Jason Smith
Jared Sanders

June 6 Amanda Marks
7 Betty Carroll
8 Jo Ellen Bowman

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Congratulations to Matt and Teresa Kuehne on the birth of their twin girls, Sara Grace and Ella Rose, born May 30th.

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Our annual church picnic will be at Armco Park, site #9, on June 15. The church will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs, buns and drinks. We will begin serving at 5:30 and continue throughout the evening for those who cannot get there until later. Plan now to attend.

Nancy and I will be leaving this afternoon to go on a short trip. We'll be home Friday. Pastor Allan Ison will speak this evening and Elder Ron Trabandt will speak Wednesday evening.

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DEPENDENCE UPON THE DIVINE SPIRIT

However learned, godly, and eloquent a minister may be, he is nothing without the Holy Spirit. The bell in the steeple may be hung well, fairly fashioned, and made of the soundest metal, but it is dumb until the ringer makes it speak. And in like manner the preacher has no voice of quickening for the dead in sin, or of comfort for the living saints until the Divine Spirit Himself gives him a gracious pull, and bids him speak with power. Hence, the need of prayer for both preacher and hearers

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THE BELIEVER'S POSITION

The believer is perfect in Christ; but in himself he is a poor, feeble creature, ever liable to fall. Oh, the unspeakable blessedness of having One who can manage all his affairs for him at the right hand of the Majesty in the heavens; One who upholds him always by His right hand; ONE WHO WILL NEVER LET HIM GO; One who is "the same yesterday, today, and forever;" One who will bear him through all the difficulties and dangers which surround him and finally present him FAULTLESS before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. Blessed forever be the grace that has made such provision for all our need in the blood of a spotless victim and the intercession of a Divine High Priest!

—Scott Richardson

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"In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve" (Jeremiah 50:20).

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PREACHING CHRIST

"We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake" (2 Corinthians 4:5). When we gather for worship, it is always my desire to exalt the Lord our God as He has revealed Himself in His Word and to set before us a Biblical description of ourselves. The Lord is immaculately holy and we are despicably wicked. He is pure and perfect, we are corrupt and vile. These doctrines being Biblical and therefore undeniable, it is my responsibility to ask, and my delight to answer, these questions from Job 25:4, "How then can man be justified with God? Or, how can he be clean that is born of a woman?" The answer is that through the free grace of God and the justice-satisfying blood of Christ, believing sinners are cleansed from all their iniquities and are, right now, righteous in the sight of God. "We preach Christ and Him crucified," and by the grace of God, I do not intend to move one hair's breadth away from that message!

—Pastor Jim Byrd

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It is for certain that the Lord our God, through that substitutionary atonement of Christ, forgives sin. Yes, He forgives sin, but He never winks at it or overlooks it. The reason God can forgive is because the sin-debt of those in whose stead Christ died has been paid; justice has been satisfied and the integrity of divine law has been honored. The holiness of God and the justice of God will never allow one sin to go unpunished.

—Pastor Jim Byrd

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ALL IN CHRIST

The Father's everlasting love for us is in Christ. God's choice of us unto salvation is in Christ. God's blessings ordained for us before the world began are in Christ. We were predestinated to the adoption of children in Christ. The righteousness of God was fulfilled for us in Christ. The righteousness God demands is imputed to believing sinners in Christ. God's reception of us is in Christ. God's mercies poured out upon us are in Christ. God's life imparted to us is in Christ. God's grace implanted within us is in Christ. I challenge you to name any blessing that God has ever or will ever give to a sinner that is not in Christ Jesus. You won't be able to name any, because there aren't any. When mercy is given and kindness is shown to any son or daughter of Adam, it is always through Christ, by Christ and in Christ; there are no exceptions!

—Pastor Jim Byrd

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TRAMPLE YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

When Christ entered into Jerusalem, the people spread their garments in the way. When He enters into our hearts, we pull off our own righteousness and not only lay it under Christ's feet, but trample upon it ourselves.

—Augustus Toplady