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in Him.*

Psalm 34.8

**PARK CITIES
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

MARCH 3, 2002

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper
March 3, 2002
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: Third Sunday in Lent

Preparation for Worship

String Quartet

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: The LORD is our shield, our very great reward, the God of our righteousness.

People: **Let us praise Him who was delivered over to death for our transgressions and was raised to life for our justification.**

Genesis 15.1, 6; Romans 4.25

*Hymn of Adoration "Fountain of Never-Ceasing Grace"

ELLACOMBE

text: Augustus Toplady (1740-1778)

author of "Rock of Ages"

Fountain of never-ceasing grace, Your saints' exhaustless theme,
Great object of immortal praise, essentially supreme;
We bless You for the glorious fruits Your incarnation gives,
The righteousness which grace imputes, and faith alone receives.

In You we have a righteousness by God Himself approved;
Our rock, our sure foundation this, which never can be moved.
Our ransom by Your death was paid, for all Your people giv'n,
The law You perfectly obeyed, that they might enter heav'n.

As all, when Adam sinned alone, in his transgression died,
So by the righteousness of One are sinners justified;
We to Your merit, gracious Lord, with humblest joy submit,
Again to paradise restored, in You alone complete.

*Prayer of Adoration

*The Heidelberg Catechism

Question 1

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: **That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

Becoming a Communing Member and Coming to the Lord's Table for the First Time:

Bailey Kristine Anderson
Caroline Iris Burr
Danielle Victorine Cross
Edward Brown Dale
Jayne Kathryn Dale
Jennifer Michelle Duncan
John Madison Gardner
Reyn Jefferson Halford
Robert Madden Hill II
Claire Padarre' Jones

Travis Daniel Jones
George Joseph Malloy
Carol Caldwell McClung
Drue Elizabeth McLeod
Brittany Shepherd Mesec
Matthew Derring Owen
Margaret Tucker Rudd
Robert Austin Shires
Sydney Merritt Stone

Sacrament of Baptism (9:30)

Danielle Cross
Austin Shires

George Malloy
Sydney Stone

Drue McLeod

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Paul Flowers
Session Elder

Psalm 34.8

"O, Taste and See"
O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in Him.
Laurel Pinard, *Soprano*

R. Vaughan Williams

*Greeting of Peace

Minister: Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Colossians 3.15

People: **And also with you.**

Service of Friendship

*The Scripture Reading

Genesis 15.6-21

Mrs. Joanne Kersten
Mr. Keith Waggoner

Genesis 15.6-8:

Abram believed the LORD, and He credited it to him as righteousness. He also said to him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it." But Abram said, "O Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?"

Singing:

LEONI

**The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love.
Jehovah, great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed:
We bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.**

Genesis 15.9-11

So the LORD said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon." Abram brought all these to Him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away.

Singing:

**He by Himself hath sworn, we on His oath depend;
We shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heaven ascend;
We shall behold His face, we shall His power adore,
And sing the wonders of His grace forevermore.**

Genesis 15.12-14

As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. Then the LORD said to him, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years. But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. You, however, will go to your fathers in peace and be buried at a good old age.

Singing:

**The God who reigns on high the great arch angels sing,
And "Holy, holy, holy" cry, "Almighty King!
Who was and is the same, and evermore shall be:
Eternal Father, great I AM, we worship Thee."**

Genesis 15.17.21

When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates—the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites."

Singing:

**The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God and mine! With heaven our songs we raise;
All might and majesty are Thine, and endless praise.**

Communion Meditation "Portrait of a Man Made Sure"

Dr. Ryan

"When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram...." Genesis 15.17-18

Hymn of Preparation No. 517 "The Solid Rock"
Stanzas 1-3

SOLID ROCK

Public Confession

O Lord, no day of our lives has passed that has not proved us guilty in Your sight. Anchor our hope to Your perfect Son. Though unrighteousness weighs us down, His righteousness exalts us to Your throne. All things in us call for rejection; all things in Him plead our acceptance. In Christ we are guilty, but pardoned; lost, but saved; wandering, but found; sinning, but cleansed. Give us perpetual broken-heartedness, and flood us every moment with His descending grace, sparkling like crystal, flowing clear and unsullied through our wilderness of life.

Valley of Vision 83

Private Confession of Sin

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Rev. Tim Tinsley 9:30

The Rev. Paul Settle 11:00

Hear what comforting words the Lord says to all who repent and come to Him: "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. This is a true statement and worthy of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: He forgives all your sins." Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up unto the Lord!** Let us give thanks to our Lord God. **It is good and right to do so.** It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, **we laud and magnify Your most glorious Name; evermore praising You, singing**

All:

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Please hold the bread and the cup until all have received them so that we may partake together.

*During the serving of the bread, please sing No. 221
"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"*

PASSIONCHORALE

*During the serving of the cup,
"Fairest Lord Jesus"
String Quartet*

arr. Gordon Schuster

*Closing Hymn

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP
text: Augustus Toplady, 1776

***The Benediction**

Minister: May the blessing of God Almighty, God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Holy Spirit be with you all now and forever.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

"Fantasy in F Minor"
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

Mozart

*Members of our fellowship at Park Cities Presbyterian Church who have joined the
Church Triumphant since our last Communion:*

Cleo C. Harding

Elizabeth Bralley

**The Congregation stands.*

*If you desire to know more about Jesus Christ, or wish prayer for any
reason, please come to the Parlor (Room 205) located next to the
Information Center, following the worship service where Elders
and Prayer Leaders will be available to pray with you.*

*Do you have a question about PCPC or want to find a Sunday School Community?
Following each service, please come to the Information Center located in the south
hallway of the building adjacent to the sanctuary. Greeters are also available at every
entrance to assist you.*

*The flowers in the worship services today are given to the
glory of God and in memory of Priscilla G. Ratliff, mother of
Lynnora Ratliff and John Ratliff, by Sally and Pat Moore.*

Sarah Vendsel and Shannon Dobbins, *Violins*
Rob Mowrey, *Viola*; David Fray, *Cello*

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of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.**

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