

Lord's Day, April 12, 2026
Morning Worship

Prelude

Aria by Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

Call to Worship (*Congregation stands*)

Psalm 66:13-20

I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will perform my vows to you,
that which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

**I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats. Selah**

Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

**I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.
If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.**

But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

**Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!**

Invocation

The 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.

Hymn of Worship

All Glory, Laud, and Honor — 325

Confession of Sin — Martin Bucer

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. Amen.

We pray these things in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Personal Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:8-13

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

The word of the Lord.

Congregation Responds: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn of Praise

Lift High the Cross — 287

Confession of Faith — The Chalcedonian Definition

“Following the saintly fathers, we all with one voice teach the confession of one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: the same perfect in divinity and perfect in humanity, the same truly God and truly man, of a rational soul and a body; consubstantial with the Father as regards his divinity, and the same consubstantial with us as regards his humanity; like us in all respects except for sin; begotten before the ages from the Father as regards his divinity, and in the last days the same for us and for our salvation from Mary, the virgin God-bearer, as regards his humanity; one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, only-begotten, acknowledged in two natures which undergo no confusion, no change, no division, no separation; at no point was the difference between the natures taken away through the union, but rather the property of both natures is preserved and comes together into a single person and a single subsistent being; he is not parted or divided into two persons, but is one and the same only-begotten Son, God, Word, Lord Jesus Christ, just as the prophets taught from the beginning about him, and as the Lord Jesus Christ himself instructed us, and as the creed of the fathers handed it down to us.

Gloria Patri — 571

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end, Amen. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 17:9-14
(page 672 in pew Bibles)

Epistle Reading

1 John 3:11-24
(page 1179 in pew Bibles)

Congregation Responds: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm of Preparation Preserve Me, O My God — 16A

Sermon Text

Luke 8:19-39
(page 1002 in pew Bibles)

The word of the Lord.

Congregation Responds: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon Title

“Where Is Your Faith?”

Pastoral Prayer

Church: Revival: purity of doctrine & devotion of heart & mind; the Holy Spirit to come upon ministers of the word & for congregations to respond to the faithful exposition of the Scriptures. Evangelism & missionary activities to reap the harvest that God has appointed. Churches to return to God-honoring forms & liturgies & to dispense with superfluous, experimental gimmicks.

Missionaries: Rev. Aldo & Abby Mondin, Reformed University Fellowship @ USF, Tampa; New Life Solutions & A Woman's Place Medical Clinic; Rev. Chuck & Celia Williams, Christ the King Chapel, Wesley Chapel FL (new church plant)

Family: Marriages-mirror the relationship between Christ & His Bride; fathers & husbands-love sacrificially & teach by word & example the truth of the gospel; wives & mothers-honor husbands & to be godly helpmeets; children respond to their parents' oversight so they are drawn to the Savior by God's appointed means in His time. **Family of the week: Bruce & Shana Williams; Erica & Kate**

Culture: Restrain evil in our culture; open hearts & minds to the insanity of Godlessness; an outpouring of God's spirit that society might begin to exult in more noble pursuits; this culture of death to become a culture of life which honors each individual—from conception to natural death – as one made in the image of God.

Government: Our president, his cabinet, the House & Senate, the Supreme Court & all other representatives on national, state & local levels. May the Lord give them new hearts & Biblical wisdom so that they would enact righteous laws so as to maintain piety, justice, and peace in our society.

Warriors & First Responders: Those called to serve in defense of our nation; those who have lost loved ones in this service; those who have been damaged by ravages of war; law enforcement, fire fighters, all who protect & preserve our lives & property.

Health & Well-Being: One another's health: body, mind, soul. The suffering, the lonely, the weak, the aged, the broken hearted, the hopeless, the oppressed, the lost, the addicted; all who are living with consequences of personal rebellion against a holy God.

Vocation: Ask God to enable His people to follow His call upon their lives as they make good & godly use of His gifts in their vocations. May the labors of God's people be blessed to the end that we are without want & the work we do brings honor & glory to God who provides.

Morning Offering

Offertory

Interlude in Bb by Dom Gregory Murray (1905-1992)

***Please place attendance/prayer cards in the offering plate.*

Doxology — 569

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymn of Response

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator — 247

Postlude

"Little" Prelude & Fugue in C Major by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

During the postlude please take your seats to reflect upon the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Benediction

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.”

Committal

The Spirit of the Lord go with you unto eternal life! Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Please fill out an attendance card; use the reverse for comments, questions or prayer requests; then drop the card in the offering plate. Please use the cards to inform us of changes to your contact information.

Next up: You are all invited to our **CTK Spring Picnic next Sunday April 19 at 3:00 p.m.** at Boca Ciega Millenium Park, Shelter 5. You will find the Signup Genius link at the church website. Please join us and bring family and friends.

Men's Tuesday Bible study: 4/14 Great Room, 7pm, the book of Isaiah; Pastor Samuel.

Women's Bible Study: **Thursday 4/16, 9:30am-11:00am, Great Room.** Nancy Guthrie's THE WORD OF THE LORD: SEEING JESUS IN THE PROPHETS. Nursery. See Mary Mackey, Nancy Sinclair or Marcie Smith if you have questions.

Dust to Glory: normally 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7pm at Steve & Nancy Sinclair's home. Studying Matthew's Gospel under the leadership of Steve Sinclair. **Next meeting 4/23/26**

The Genevan Study Group: Teacher Bob Burridge Join us April 13th as we study God's Word & enjoy an encouraging time of fellowship & refreshments. The lesson will be "Three Generations of Faith" from 2 Timothy 1. We meet at the home of the Williams (10910 Harborside Dr, Largo) on the 2nd & 4th Mondays at 7:00pm. Find completed lessons on the GenevanInstitute.org website.

Community Group at the Knebliks: meet next on May 17th, 3rd Sunday evening, families (all ages) welcome. See James or Hannah if you have questions. (Picnic in April instead).

Real* Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Saturday 4/18, 9am, **Dennis Bender's home 4900 Haines Rd, St. Pete.** Please sign up in the hallway so we can plan on how many to feed. *Real men study the Bible.

Walk for Life! Saturday morning May 2nd, North Shore Park, St. Pete. See Steve Sinclair re: how to participate in supporting New Life Solutions' efforts to minister to those contemplating aborting their unborn children. Contact Pastor Steve at 727-244-1973 or sdg2323@icloud.com

The sanctuary will be open for prayer from 8-9am Sunday mornings—all are welcome and encouraged to participate. The tower doors will be closed but unlocked.

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