

Sunday, December 29, 2019

Call to Worship

Isaiah 61:10-11

Hymn #152 – “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”

Hymn #161 – “Our Day of Joy Is Here Again”

“The Lord Is My Salvation”

Old Testament Scripture Reading - **Psalms 71:1-6**

Offering

New Testament Scripture Reading – **2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

Hymn #163 – “As with Gladness Men of Old”

Message

Hope for the New Year

Various Texts

Doxology

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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship: 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last Sunday we voted five people into covenanted church membership – Mike and Mary Stultz, Marlene Adkins, Cassandra Velner, and Barb Thompson. Praise our good God! Please make sure to welcome them!

No Sunday school on January 5th.

No Wednesday night activities on January 1st.

Unfortunately, the winter retreat at Trout Lake will not take place this year. Perhaps next year.....? If you submitted a \$25 deposit, your check will be returned to you.

Thank you to all who participated in our Sunday school conversations about the proposed constitution and bylaws the last few weeks. We'll resume our regular Sunday school classes on Sunday, January 12.

A Note from Adrian:

Reading good books about our God, about his church, and about the Christian life can increase our knowledge, strengthen our faith, and most importantly, deepen our affections for our Savior. And what a blessing it is to live in a time when we have such easy access to so much good reading material.

I'd like to invite you to read with me throughout 2020. 9Marks ministries put together a 12-month reading plan, one book per month. The books are not long, not hard, and very much worth reading. My plan, for all those interested, is to read one book per month and gather once each month to talk about the book in an informal, low-key setting.

If you're interested in being a part of our 2020 book club (and I hope many of you are), let me know by putting your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. On that sheet you can also indicate what times and days of the week work best for a once-a-month gathering. If we get enough people interested, we may be able to have multiple groups going at the same time, which increases the chance of having a monthly meeting at a time that is most convenient for you.

The cost of the entire bundle of books is \$55, which includes shipping. You can order the books yourself at 9Marks.org or let me know you'd like them and I'd be happy to order them for you. You can make your check out to "First Baptist Church" with the words "Book Club" on the memo line of the check.

Sermon text:

Exodus 12:2, 13:3

Matthew 24:30-31

1 Peter 1:8-9

Philippians 1:25

Romans 15:13-21

2 Corinthians 1:24

Acts 1:9-11

2 Peter 3:8

Matthew 6:25-34

Luke 2:10-11

The Lord Is My Salvation (Keith and Kristyn Getty)

The grace of God has reached for me, And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground

The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls, His strength will help me scale these
walls, I'll see the dawn of the rising sun

The Lord is my salvation

(Chorus) Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love,
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won, The Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord, He flow'rs each promise of His Word,
When winter fades I know spring will come

The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting, times of need, When I know loss, when I am weak,
I know His grace will renew these days

The Lord is my salvation **(Chorus)**

And when I reach my final day, He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise, He will call me home

The Lord is my salvation **(Chorus)**

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit, The Lord is our salvation