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Atlanta Christian
Church



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE PARISH

NEW AROUND HERE?

Our next **Newcomer Zoom** meetup is scheduled for Sunday, February 28 at 9:30am (before service). Come and meet some people! Sign-up for that here: <https://atlcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/370/responses/new>

CLASS MEETINGS (FEBRUARY)

These 12-week small groups are starting up soon! To sign up for a group, go here: <https://atlcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/431/responses/new>. For more information on these groups, contact Joel Mooneyhan at joel@atlantachristianchurch.org

SATURDAY BIKE RIDE, FEBRUARY 13

Join us at the Silver Comet Trail at

10:00am. All ages welcome on this one. Sign up here: <https://atlcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/432/responses/new>

SATURDAY HIKE, FEBRUARY 13

Coming up! Saturday, February 13, 10:00am (Paces Mill Trails). Sign up here: <https://atlcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/432/responses/new>

BLUES FOR LENT (BEG. FEBRUARY 21)

This six week course taught by Derek Sweatman explores the practice of connecting with those who are hurting in the world. Sessions happen on Zoom on Sundays at 9:00am. Sign up at: www.atlantachristianchurch.org/parish-life/groups

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

We have updated our serving form with new ways to help out around the parish! Go here: <https://atlcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/433/responses/new>

The Third Sunday After the Epiphany

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (BCP)

MARK 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

This passage gives a quickened look at Jesus' recruitment of his disciples. What seems to have set Jesus apart from other teachers at that time was that he himself invited people to be his disciples, his students. Normally it was the other way around: you would approach a teacher that you desired to learn from and study under, and you would have to be "accepted" as their disciple. Jesus, on the other hand, simply calls these people to follow him. It is a quick and often-missed part of the Jesus story, that he was doing things differently and in a new way.

BE THOU MY VISION

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom be
And Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only be first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven when vict'ry is won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

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Today's Sermon Text

Psalm 62:5-12

Did You Know? The Old Testament was written primarily in Hebrew, and Hebrew poetry was a powerful force of writing in the ancient world. It is notoriously difficult to translate into English where we see all the nuances that are present in these writings.

In our Psalm for today the Hebrew word **'ak**, which means "alone" or "only", is the first word in verses 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 9. It's the writer's way of saying, "Listen closely."

PSALM 62:5-12

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.
He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;
I shall not be shaken.
On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.
Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.
Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.
Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.
For you will render to a man according to his work.



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

PRAYER OF GRACE

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you of all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after

supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

DECLARING THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we have also forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, broken for you;
the blood of Christ, poured out for you.



HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

BENEDICTION

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

