

The Lord's Day

June 9, 2024 at 10:30 AM

We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.

As you join us today, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.

Please turn off your cell phone and turn your hearts and minds toward God.

We prepare for worship

Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...

If there were not great diversity among you, you could not be a body. If you were not a body, you could not be unified. If you were not one, you would not be equal in honor. It is because you are not all endowed with the same gift that you are a body.

John Chrysostom (347-407)

Prelude

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Jack Richards

Dr. Kenneth Dean, Jr.; Director of Music Ministries

Please quietly prepare your hearts for worship during the Prelude.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

We praise our great God

Invocation

Call to Praise

Psalm 42:5-6a

⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation ⁶ and my God.

Hymn No. 9 (HMR)

Alive in Christ

Sola Gratia

I once was rebellious, corrupted by sin, pursuing the devil's dark path,
Oblivious, dead to the state I was in, an object of God's dreadful wrath.

But God who is rich in compassion and love, not leaving my soul to the grave,
Has given me life; born again from above, by God's sovereign grace I've been saved.

God lifted me up to the heavenly realms where seated with Christ I am free;
In ages to come he will show me more grace—so great is his kindness to me.

Since grace is the source of the life that is mine—and faith is a gift from on high—
I'll boast in my Savior, all merit decline, and glorify God 'til I die.

Yet now I am living with work to be done for I am God's workmanship too,
Created in Christ with a race to be run, which God has ordained me to do.

We embrace Christ's Word

Corporate Confession of Sin (Responsive)

James 3:13-18

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you?

By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom.

¹⁴ But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts,

do not boast and be false to the truth.

¹⁵ This is not the wisdom that comes down from above,

but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

¹⁶ For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist,

there will be disorder and every vile practice.

¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

¹⁸ **And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.**

Individual Confession of Sin

The Righteous Punishment for Sin

Westminster Larger Catechism, Questions 28 & 29

What are the punishments of sin in this world?

The punishments of sin in this world are either inward, as blindness of mind, a reprobate sense, strong delusions, hardness of heart, horror of conscience, and vile affections; or outward, as the curse of God upon the creatures of our sakes, and all other evils that befall us in our bodies, names, estates, relations, and employments; together with death itself.

What are the punishments of sin in the world to come?

The punishments of sin in the world to come, are everlasting separation from the comfortable presence of God, and most grievous torments in soul and body, without intermission, in hell-fire forever.

God's Sovereign Mercy

Romans 9:22-26

²² What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, ²³ in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory— ²⁴ even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles? ²⁵ As indeed he says in Hosea,

“Those who were not my people I will call ‘my people,’
and her who was not beloved I will call ‘beloved.’”

²⁶ “And in the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’
there they will be called ‘sons of the living God.’”

Hymn No. 486

God Be Merciful to Me

Redhead

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face;

I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art, teach thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just,
Let me contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice;
From my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound-less grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to thee;
Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love;
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

We acknowledge God's blessings

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

RE Jeff Soule

We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst, arr. Hal H. Hopson
The Aisquith Choir

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end; we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord. Alleluia. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our King; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still; to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. Alleluia.

The Doxology (Hymnal, pg. 731) and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

We are nourished by God's Word

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:14-26

Pew Bible pg. 959

¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any

less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

Sermon

"NO Maybe About It"

Pastor Ceselsky

Sermon Outline can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

We respond to God's grace

Hymn

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Townend

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 the 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 power, 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 and Three-Fold Amen (**Hymnal, pg. 740**)

Danish

Postlude

Somebody Bigger Than You and I

Johnnie Lange

Please be seated and quietly reflect upon the Lord's grace during the Postlude.

Announcements

Pastor Ceselsky will be away at the PCA's General Assembly from Monday through Friday. If you need any assistance, please contact one of our elders.

The Aisquith Choir and Bell Choir will be holding a concert TODAY at 4 PM. They will be joined by bagpiper Duncan Moore for this performance. There will also be a reception to follow in room 11. Donations are needed for this performance. If you would like to make a donation, please give any funds (checks made out to Aisquith) **DIRECTLY** to Jeanne Williams or Pastor Ceselsky.

Keith and Kristyn Getty will be doing a concert in Medford, New Jersey (about 1.5 hours from the church) on October 24 from 7 – 9:30 PM. If you would like to join with a group going to the concert, please contact Pastor Ceselsky no later than NEXT Sunday, June 16. The cost for the event is \$30 per person and includes roundtrip transportation from the church.

Prayer Requests

1. Please be in prayer for the PCA's General Assembly as it convenes in Richmond this week. Pray for safety in travel and health for all of the delegates and vendors who will be at the assembly. Pray too that the Lord would be pleased with the tone of our debates and the faithfulness of our decisions.
2. Please continue to be in prayer for Vic Williams (Jeanne's husband). Vic has been accepted into Gilcrest's home hospice care. Pray for him and Jeanne as they adapt to this new way of life.
3. Please be in prayer for Aisquith members, family members and friends of the Aisquith Community who are currently struggling with various illnesses and other physical and emotional issues.

Weekly Calendar

TODAY:	9:00 AM	Sunday School Adults – Room 11 Children – Room 17
	10:30 AM	Worship Service with The Lord's Supper (Nursery available in Room 25)
	4:00 PM	Choir & Handbell Choir concert
Saturday	10:00 AM	Choir Practice – Room 27
	12:00 PM	Handbell Choir Practice – Room 28
NEXT Sunday	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service

Church Officers

Ruling Elders: Jeff Soule & Mark Werner (Clerk)

Deacons: Andrew Bell, Gus DeFord, Ken Schumann (President), and Rick Willis

Deaconesses: Christine Clark, Debbie DeFord, Fran Oswinkle, & Jeanne Williams (Moderator)

Sermon Notes

Date: June 9, 2024

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:14-26

Sermon Title: "NO Maybe About It"

Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: We must see ourselves as God sees us.

Main Point 1: We must not view ourselves too lowly.

Point 1: Feel you aren't needed.

Point 2: The body needs you to function properly.

Main Point 2: We must not view ourselves too highly.

Point 1: Feel independently capable.

Point 2: You need the rest of the body to function properly.

Main Point 3: We must view ourselves as the Lord sees us.

Point 1: The Lord honors the weak.

Point 2: We are one diverse, yet unified body.