

# THE LORD'S DAY

June 28, 2015

## WORSHIP SERVICE

*Enter with reverence, Worship in truth, Serve Christ with gladness.*

### PRELUDE

*This Is My Father's World*

### †CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 134:1–2

### ADORATION

*†Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymn **63**

ELLACOMBE

†CONGREGATIONAL READING

Romans 5:1–10

*The congregation will BEGIN and read text in italics.*

*Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

<sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

<sup>3</sup>Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.<sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—

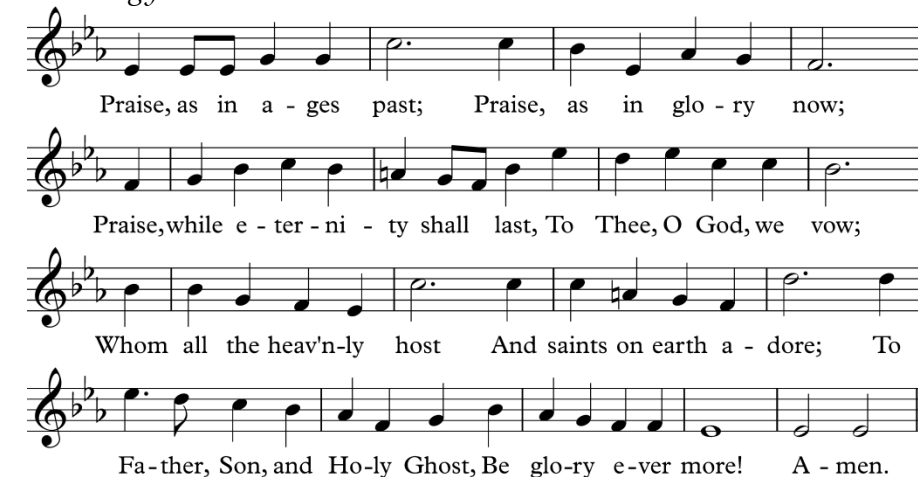
<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

<sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

<sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

†Doxology

DIADEMATA



Praise, as in a - ges past; Praise, as in glo - ry now;  
Praise, while e - ter - ni - ty shall last, To Thee, O God, we vow;  
Whom all the heav'n-ly host And saints on earth a - dore; To  
Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost, Be glo-ry e-ver more! A - men.

### CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Near the Cross*

Hymn **251**

NEAR THE CROSS

### THANKSGIVING

*Testimonies from Witnessing Partnership Challenge*

*Full of Thee*

Vocal Solo, Kaitlynn Tompkins

### PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

Come, bless the LORD, all  
you servants of the LORD,  
who stand by night in the house of  
the LORD!

<sup>2</sup>Lift up your hands to the holy  
place and bless the LORD.

Psalm 134:1–2



## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Thessalonians 3

† *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Hymn **96**

ST. ANNE

### THE SERMON

Jesus' Mission through Adversity  
Acts 11:19–15:41

† *This Is My Father's World*

Hymn **116**

TERRA PATRIS

### † PRAYER & BENEDICTION

† *Congregation will stand (if able)*



Evening Prayer Service, 6:00



Jesus' Mission through Adversity—Acts 11:19–15:41

Pastor Greg Stiekes

When difficult or traumatic things happen to us in ministry, we are tempted to think that they are a hindrance to the advancement of the gospel. But what we learn from Paul's ministry in Acts is that the Lord continually *uses* adversity to advance his mission. In fact, we would not see Jesus' mission through Paul unfolding in the same way apart from the hardships and challenges Paul faced. This understanding of how the Lord works through adversity is essential for us as his witnesses.

1. Persecution in Jerusalem (11:19): The Antioch church is born (11:20–26).
2. Famine in the world (11:27–28): Paul, Barnabas, and John-Mark are sent out from Antioch (11:29–30; 12:25–13:5).
3. The Opposition of Elymas (13:6–8): Sergius Paulus believes (13:9–12).
4. John-Mark Abandons the Mission (13:13): The Antioch church's missionary efforts are doubled (15:36ff).
5. The opposition of the Jews (13:44–45): The Gentile mission is born (13:46–49).
6. Persecution in Antioch (13:50; cf. 14:2): The gospel comes to Iconium (13:51–14:3).
7. Persecution in Iconium (14:4–5): The gospel comes to Lystra (14:6–7).
8. Paul Stoned in Lystra (14:19): The gospel comes to Derbe and the churches are strengthened (14:20–23).



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*Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00,  
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00.  
Fellowship Dinner 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month & no evening service.  
Wednesday Evenings: Awana, Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Study  
Please note weekly announcements for any changes to this schedule.*

**To Our Guests:** We welcome you to Bethany Bible Church! We trust you will sense our desire to exalt the Lord in our worship, as well as our commitment to the sufficiency of the Scriptures. You and your entire family are invited to worship with us. A nursery is provided for ages 0-3 if you would like, and you may also hear the service in the foyer or fellowship room if you need to attend to small children. We would like to have a record of your visit. You should receive a *guest card* which you may give to Pastor Stiekes personally or hand to one of our ushers. We trust that God will richly bless you as we endeavor to magnify the Lord on His day.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 30--Watchmen's Meeting at 7:00 pm.**

**WEDNESDAY - Bible Study @ 7:00 pm**  
Respectable Sins, by Jerry Bridges  
Reading the Bible with Eyes Open

**CHILDREN FROM BETHANY WILL BE AT THE WILDS  
JUNE 29-JULY 3 REMEMBER THEM IN PRAYER**

	June 21	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$2,827	\$3,725	\$85,240	\$93,125
Missions	\$63		\$4,797	
Deacons Fund			\$3,949	
Building Fund			\$2,222	\$49,043

### KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

**Q. What kind of death did Christ die?**

**A.** Christ was crucified, which means He was nailed to a cross and His blood was shed for sinners. His death was both painful and shameful. **Isaiah 53:5**--But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. (805)