



Forward together in Faith, Hope, and Love

Sunday May 5, 2024

We Prepare for Worship

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:27-28

Prelude: Canon in D

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

*Processional Hymn: *Take my life, and let it be consecrated* **#637**

Welcome and Community Life News

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Mason Girard

L.: Let us sing to the Lord a new song,

P: for God has done marvelous things.

L.: Let us make known the Lord's victory,

P: for God's steadfast love covers the whole earth.

L.: Let us sing joyful praises,

P: and join all creation to worship God's holy name.

L.: Let us worship God!

Choir Introit: Praise Ye the Lord

Gordon Young (1919-98)

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Praise Time: **Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)**

Amazing grace how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me

I once was lost but now I'm found

Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved

How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Refrain:

***My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace***

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Refrain X 2

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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We Listen for God's Word

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Lorraine McBride

Scripture Readings:

Choral Psalm Sentence

Responsive Reading: Psalm 98

Zhenyi Li

¹ O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.

² **The LORD has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.**

³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

⁴ **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.

⁶ **With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.**

⁷ Let the sea roar and all that fills it,
the world and those who live in it.

⁸ **Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy**

⁹ at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming
to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Old Testament: Isaiah 28:23-29

OT p. 656

New Testament: John 15:1-8

NT p. 109

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: How Excellent Thy Name

Georg Handel (1685-1759)

Sermon: Your Life: One of Influence

Rev. Tim Walker

*Hymn: *Lord of all power*

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We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

#830

*Dedication of Offering

*Closing Hymn: *God of grace and God of glory*

#490

We are Sent Out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Postlude: The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

**** if you are able, please stand***

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshipping here
with us today. We hope that you feel comforted
in our fellowship and that you leave here
refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You
are invited to fill out a pew card.

**** **We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child
out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in**

the lobby. Alternatively for children 5 years old and under, we have a nursery in the Christian Education wing where the service can still be heard. Our ushers are available to assist you. Children must be accompanied by an adult relative.

Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.

*Please feel free to appreciate the Postlude
at the end of the service!*

*If you do leave the sanctuary during the postlude,
please do so quietly. Thank you!*



Sunday School Classes!

A one-room Sunday School class is available for our junior youth today after Praise Time. **All children grades 1-6 are welcome.**

Rev. Heather Away

Rev. Heather is away this week on holidays and will return on Tuesday May 7th.

If you have an emergency or a need, please call our Clerk of Session, Sheila Gault at 905-751-6568.

Welcome to Rev. Tim Walker!

We welcome to the pulpit Rev. Tim Walker. Rev. Walker was on staff at Bradford Baptist Church for over 37 years. He started as Youth Pastor for 17 years, and then moved into pastoring a second congregation at BBC. In time he became the lead pastor.

Rev. Walker is now beginning a new ministry in counseling, mentoring, and preaching, and has a relationship with St. Johns Presbyterian Church in Bradford as Pastor in Association.

He has lead mission trips to the Caribbean, USA &, Mexico.

Rev. Walker has been married for 40 years to his wife Jackie.

He has four children, and four grandchildren, and has lived in Bradford for over 38 years.



Reception of New Members

In the coming weeks we will be receiving new members.

If you wish to become a member, please contact the church office or speak to Rev. Heather.



Saturday, May 11, 2024
9:00 am to Noon

Please join us for our **Annual Spring Cleanup**.

This is a special year with our 175th Anniversary, and we would like to have the property looking its best for May 26!

We need help with hedge trimming, weeding and general clean up.

If you have gardening tools, please bring them along.

No special skills required - everyone can help. Thanks

The Board of Managers

TPC's 175th Anniversary Year!

The year 2024 marks our congregational 175th Anniversary.

There will be many great opportunities to celebrate.

Please circle **Sunday May 26th** on your calendar for our Anniversary Celebration.

May 26th is also our **Great Day Capital Campaign**.

Our project this year is to raise money for the restoration of the Manse.



The deadline for the next issue of "The Open Door" is **Monday May 20th**.

Please forward your articles to Garth Low at garth.low@garthlow.com.

Written submissions can be put in the Open Door newsletter mail box located by the Chapel.



Hey TPC Senior Youth!

Don't forget our

Paddles-n-Pizza Night!

Pickle Ball, Ping Pong, and (P)Badminton!

When? Thursday May 16

Time? 7:00 p.m.

Wear active wear and bring clean running shoes.

R.S.V.P to Abel or Rev. Heather

Come out and have a ball!



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UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sunday May 5, 2024

9:45 – 10:30 am

Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

11:00 am

Worship Service

Tuesday May 7, 2024

10:00 am

ESL Classes – Fellowship Hall

Thursday May 9, 2024

7:30 pm

Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Sunday May 12, 2024

9:45 – 10:30 am

Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

11:00 am

Worship Service

Join the Online Directory!

We do have an online directory and want you all to be part of it!

It's a great way to know each other and, also have contact information when needed.

First step is to ensure that Nadine in the office has your email.

If the office has your email, you can then go to instantchurchdirectory.com. Click on the bars on the top right, and then scroll down on member log in. Then follow the directions.

You can also download the Instant Church Directory on your phone or tablet.

On a regular basis we will try and take your picture after church if you don't have one in the directory or would like to update yours.

Alternatively, you can send a picture to Abel Pandy (abelpandy@rogers.com) and he will upload it for you.

Any questions, feel free to contact Abel.

Hymn

Take my life, and let it be consecrated

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days:
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold:
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Hymn

Lord of all power

Lord of all power, I give you my will,
in joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil.
Your bondage is freedom, your service is song,
and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.

Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind,
rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find.
What eye has not seen and what ear has not heard
is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.

Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart;
I praise and adore you for all you impart:
your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide,
your presence to cheer me, whatever betide.

Lord of all being, I give you my all.
If e'er I disown you, I stumble and fall,
but, sworn in glad service your word to obey,
I walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

Hymn

God of grace and God of glory

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to love and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces,
pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor thee,
that we fail not them nor thee!

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.