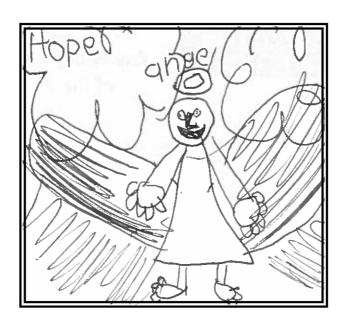


# **Trinity Presbyterian Church**

July 23, 2017



Name: Shelton Hall Age: 6



# Just a word from Mr. Mac!

#### Claude E. McRoberts III • Senior Minister

Dear Children,

It was about 7 weeks ago when Mr. Howell (David, William, Lucy and Stuart Frazer's granddaddy) said in the pulpit with excitement: "I GET TO PREACH ON THE LOVE OF GOD TONIGHT!" I remember, I loved hearing him say that, and this morning, I feel the same way: I GET TO PREACH ON GOD'S LOVE THIS MORNING!

Do you love the hymn, *Jesus Loves Me*? I do. I need to remember to sing it more often when I am alone or afraid or sad or simply doubting God's love for me. It is a simple song that reminds me that I CAN KNOW Jesus loves me – the Bible tells me so!

I do not ever want to doubt God's love for me. I sometimes do, but I shouldn't. And I don't want you to ever doubt how much God loves YOU. He does love you so much! We will get to spend "forever" with Him in heaven trying to understand how much and why He loves us so much.

Until then, we look to the cross. (Well, I guess we will always look to the cross to see His love for us.) We need to learn to look at the cross; think about how much Jesus sacrificed for us; remember His words on the cross; consider the suffering; and knowing that He took ALL my sins – smaller ones and the biggest! – and He paid for the punishment I owed for those sins.

I don't ever have to doubt His love.

# ... but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

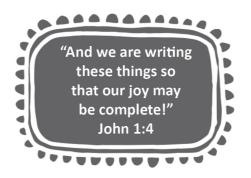
And we find out that God has always loved us! And He always will – never more, never less. He is so good and faithful to us even when we are not so good and faithful.

In fact, one other verse we will look at this morning is from II Thessalonians (3:5) when Paul prays for that church to direct their hearts into the love of God and into the steadfastness of Christ. It's easy to let our hearts wonder off away from God, but His love for us pulls us back to Him.

I hope you learn a lot about God's love for you this morning.

I love you,

Mr. Mac



# Do you have a: Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for? Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

# Mr. Mac wants to know!!

Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

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# A Guide to Family Worship

July 23-29, 2017

# Each Morning or Evening Begin "Family Time" by reading Ephesians 3:14-19

[or a portion each day]

### Head of the Home, Open in Prayer

#### **Scripture Reading**

See Bulletin Insert with Outline to Sermon There are many, many great Scriptures from which to choose.

Read Mr. Mac's Letter in This Issue of the Children's Bulletin; Discuss.

## **Suggested Questions from the Morning Sermon**

This week, it is simply suggested that you take the detailed sermon outline and discuss.

#### A Story

The following story was found in another man's sermon when Mr. Mac was studying.

Gordon Reed tells the story of a man who many years ago got on a riverboat in Cincinnati, Ohio, to make his way to New Orleans. He didn't have a lot of money. He spent almost all of his money to buy a ticket to get on the riverboat. He didn't have any money for food, except for a little bit while he was going to be on this fairly long journey. And so he bought himself a supply of crackers and cheese. He was embarrassed by his poverty, and so he hid himself from the other passengers at mealtime. He knew that he would never be able to afford to eat in the ornate dining room on the riverboat. And so for days at a time when mealtime came, he would hide himself and eat his crackers and cheese. About the time he got to Natchez, he bumped into a fellow passenger who befriended him, and at mealtime he was going to creep off and eat his crackers and cheese, and his friend said, "Where are you going? Aren't you coming to the dining hall?" He said, "Oh no, I could never afford to go to the dining hall." And his friend said, "Take out your ticket." And his friend took out his ticket, and he said, "Now read it." And at the bottom of the ticket it said, "All meals included." Some people don't realize what Jesus has done for them: we are washed in Jesus' blood because of the love of God. You are a sinner for whom Jesus died; now eat!!!

**Spend Time Singing Together** 

Spend Time in Prayer: Requests, Praise, Prayer

The Head of the Home ~ Numbers 6:24-26

# <u> Cermon Art</u>

use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Mac preaches on during the sermon this morning!

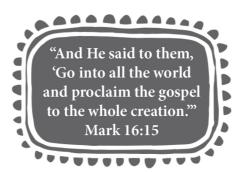
This weeks lesson is on Romans 5:6-8

Want to see your artwork on the FRONT PAGE?

Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).

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# Meet Our Missionaries!



# **Becky White**

Serving in

Taiwan

with

Mission to the World

Becky was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, but raised in Taiwan because her father was a minister and her family were missionaries there. She went to Covenant College in Tennessee but then returned to Taiwan after learning to be an English teacher. She works at Christ's College where she teaches English literature and writing to students from Taiwan, mainland China and across Asia. She has been teaching there for over twenty-five years.

Becky enjoys working at Christ's College because she loves teaching literature and communication from a Christian perspective. It also allows her to build close relationships with students so she can share the gospel with them through counseling and prayer. Her college was started in Taiwan to strengthen the church in that country through educating, evangelizing and discipling Chinese students. Some of her students became teachers and now they do the same thing she does to help others know Jesus. One of the graduates of that college attends Trinity Church now. Becky will visit Trinity this Sunday evening, July 23rd, and give a report after the evening service in the Westminster Room.

# Write a letter to our missionaries!

Would you like to write a letter encouraging our missionaries or thanking them for the work they do for God? A letter from you would make their day! If you would like to write a letter to the missionary or family shown this week, please write in the space provided below and put it in Mr. Tom's box. He will make sure they receive it!

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# Music and Hymns

# #535 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"

Jesus loves you so much! He loves you more than you will ever know.

There are some powerful passages in the bible that really show His love. Here are just a few: Jeremiah 1:4-6 says "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart." Luke 12:7 says "indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered."

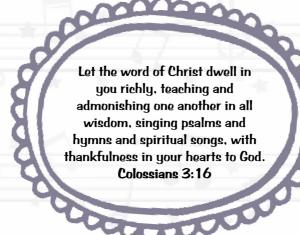
2 Thessalonians 2:12 says "... God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation..." These verses should make you feel so special and loved.

For His love is "vast and unmeasured, boundless, free."

# #296 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Philippians 2:9 says that Jesus' name is above every other name. There are places in the Bible where people were healed simply by having faith in Jesus. We pray in His name because there is power in His name. We are baptized in His name. Demons have been cast out in His name. In the Christmas story, the book of Matthew quotes the prophet Isaiah saying "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall call His name Immanuel." Immanuel means "God with us." Jesus, which is Yeshua in its original Hebrew form, means "He will save or the Lord saves." Jesus was a fairly common name when Jesus was born, but He was and is the only one who is "God with us" and it is only by His name that we are saved!

"God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name." Philippians 2:9



# Hymn Word Unscramble

Try to unscramble these words from this week's hymn:

# #296 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

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# Jesus Loves Me!

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know is probably the most recognized children's hymn. This hymn was originally a poem written in 1859 by Anna Bartlett Warner in her best-selling novel Say and Seal. Two years later, the poem was set to music and the chorus was added by William Bradbury. Do you know how much God loves you? Read the following scriptures:

Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands... lsaiah 49:16

But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

Matthew 10:30

You number my wanderings; Put my tears into Your bottle;
Are they not in Your book?
When I cry out to You, Then my enemies will turn back;
This I know, because God is for me.
Psalm 56:8-9

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you. Jeremiah 31:3

# Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Gal. 2:20





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