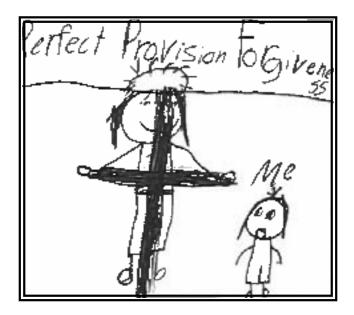


## Worship Bulletin

## **Trinity Presbyterian Church**

## July 21, 2019





## Just a word from Mr. Mac

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

Dear Children,

Thank you for your prayers for me over the last month when my father died on July 4. It was a hard week, but I know God heard your prayers for me. And I would ask you to keep praying for me and my family. Thank you.

So, two weeks ago I was supposed to preach what I am preaching today, and the children's bulletin was about lying (see Children's Bulletin, July 7 if you were not here). This morning I will write you about the other part of this II Samuel 1 passage: lament.

Have you ever heard of "lament?" A lament is when we cry because of our grief; or, to express your sorrow; or, to mourn aloud.

(Amazing, I was supposed to preach this on July 7, and my dad died on July 4, because I have definitely been mourning, crying, grieving, and lamenting.)

In this passage (II Samuel 1) David is lamenting the death of Saul and his son Jonathan. You remember that Jonathan was David's very best friend in all the world. He loved Jonathan!

And David uses this phrase three times: *How the mighty have fallen!* 

It's okay to cry. It's okay to mourn. It's okay to have grief in your life; and to have things in your life that cause grief. This world is not easy, and sad things happen. But God is always there! God never leaves you! God loves you and tells you to cast all your care on Him! He even says that He collects our tears in a bottle. THAT is how much He cares about YOU and anything that might make you sad.

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

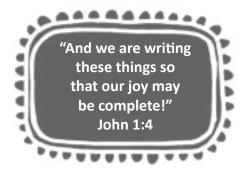
I love you (more than ever), Mr. Mac

Mom and Dad, these are the same questions from July 7. Perhaps you can reiterate them; or perhaps you were not here, and you can use them now.

1. Mom and dad, in the last couple of weeks, we encouraged you to have age-appropriate discussions with your children about death. If you missed that week, you are encouraged again to do this in light of this morning's sermon. You can find suggestions for this discussion in the children's bulletin, June 30, 2019.

2. Have you ever lied? Would you share your experience with your children about lying? Would you tell them what God thinks about liars? Will you explain to them about how Jesus is the Way, the TRUTH, and the Life, and that no one comes to the Father but through Him? Ask them their own thoughts about lying.

3. What is grief? When do we experience grief? What is the difference between grief and sorrow? Which lasts longer? (All these questions are answered in the sermon.) How can we deal with grief? Who helps us?



#### 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.

## Dear Mr. Mac,

#### A Guide to Family Worship July 22 - July 27, 2019

### THE SIMPLEST OUTLINE FOR FAMILY TIME EVER!!! 10 EASY STEPS

- #1 Just make sure you gather once a day as a family.
- #2 Try really hard to make the same time every day.
- #3 It does not have to be long; it does not have to be perfect.
- #4 Read a Bible verse. Maybe a devotional.
- #5 Sing a song or two together.
- #6 Take prayer requests.
- #7 Pray. (Daddy, your children NEED to hear you pray.) Pray for the children; pray for missionaries; pray for Trinity Church; give thanks.
- #8 Everyone tell one thing they are thankful for.
- #9 <u>Have a Leader of the Day:</u> they get to read and/or pray and/ or tell everyone to come gather and/or put out the Bibles/ hymnals and/or tell something that happened to them that day.
- #10 Dad, pray this over your children: Numbers 6:24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

## <u>Sermon</u> Art

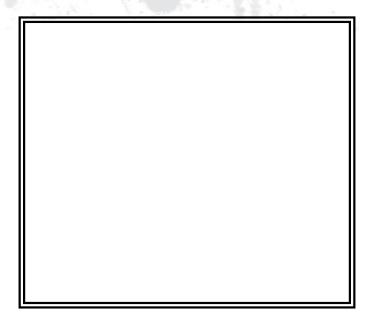
Use this page to **illustrate** something that Mr. Mac preaches on during the sermon this morning!

#### This week's lesson is on

II Samuel 5

## 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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## Pray for the Rujak Missions Trip team and for people in Montgomery who don't know about Jesus.

Can you imagine living in a place with no churches, and where no one knows about Jesus? About 30 percent of all the people in the world live in places like that. They are called Unreached People Groups. A small team of people from Trinity Church are in one of those places this week working with missionaries who moved there to translate the Bible and tell those people about Jesus.

Jesus told us to take the gospel to every nation, tribe and language. That job is not finished yet, so Trinity Church obeys Jesus' command by sending missions trips to other countries. There are also people in Montgomery who don't know about Jesus, but people like us in Trinity Church and other churches obey His command and share the gospel with our neighbors, friends and other people in our own city.

You can learn more about people groups that have not heard about Jesus from the Joshua Project website or from the Operation World website.

## **Music and Hymns**

#### #358 "For All the Saints"

This hymn reminds us that, as believers, we are also soldiers in Christ who fight against evil. The Lord is our captain, our light, our rock, and our fortress. We have to keep fighting for what is right and against evil until the day that Jesus returns and evil is defeated once and for all!

#### #457 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

This hymn talks about the way all believers stray from God at times in their life and how God is faithful to draw us back to Him. His mercy never ceases and He continues to invite us back into His arms when we wander away from Him. In fact, Jesus pursued us when we were yet sinners. Verse 2 says "Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God: He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood." To interpose means to come between. Jesus has come between you and your sin by cleansing you through the blood He shed on the cross. Isn't that amazing? We did nothing to deserve it and even though we may try, we continue to do wrong, yet He continues to love us! What a wondrous blessing!

> "They will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." Revelation 14:13



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