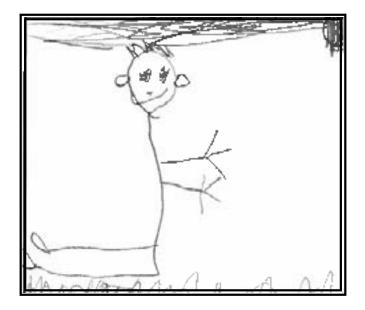


Worship Bulletin

Trinity Presbyterian Church

August 18, 2019





Just a word from Mr. Mac

Claude E. McRoberts, III • Senior Minister

Dear Children,

Do you know someone who is disabled? Even as I ask you that question, perhaps you yourself are disabled; and in just at the end of this letter to you, I want to encourage YOU.

But right now, consider someone you know who lives with an affliction. It could be that they are in a wheelchair; or perhaps they have to have crutches; maybe they walk with a limp from an injury or since birth; perhaps you know someone who has a hard time hearing or seeing. <u>There are many afflictions with which many people have to live</u>. It can even be a chronic illness or really bad headaches.

The question is this: how do you treat them? Honestly. **How do you treat them?** How do you serve them? How do you include them? How do you pray for them? How do you think about them in the secret place of your mind?

How you treat someone weaker than you tells others a great deal about YOU and your character.

Mephibosheth is a young man in our story this morning. He was crippled in both his feet, so no doubt, he had a very hard time walking. Not only so, he also lived in a VERY poor place where they could not grow food. Plus, he lived in hiding. <u>Mephibosheth had a very hard life!</u>

But guess who had mercy on him! **DAVID!** You see, Mephibosheth was Jonathan's son. That makes him King Saul's grandson. And David had promised Jonathan (and also Saul, for that matter) that he would not harm his family when he became king. David went above and beyond: he gave Mephibosheth all the land that belonged to his grandfather; he made sure his family was taken care of; and he invited him (and insisted) that he always eat at his table – Mephibosheth always had a place at the king's table.

There is so much to learn this morning!! It is a beautiful story about a man who has a name hard to pronounce. It is a story of grace!!

Can't wait to see you today!

Mr. Mac

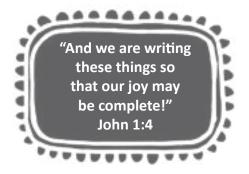
Suggested Questions for Mom and Dad to Use This Week

1. Read through Mr. Mac's letter above; make it your own as you lead your children in discussions this week about how to treat others.

2. Talk about heaven; speak of Rev. 21:1ff, and make a list of all the things that will NOT be there. Speak of the wonder and beauty of that day when we are all in heaven!

3. Take the Scriptures listed in Mr. Mac's sermon outline; read them and choose ones that fit your family well; choose maybe 5-to-7 of them; read them this week together.

4. In what ways is David like Jesus? In what ways are we like Mephibosheth? What is the correlation? How much has Jesus loved us? What does grace look like? Do you know what it is for Jesus to give you grace?



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 August 19 - August 24, 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

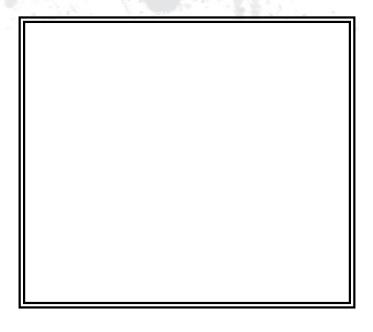
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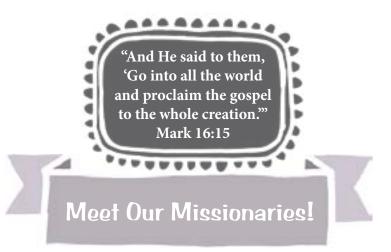
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Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).



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Dr. Argyris & Dina Petrou Greek Bible College & House of Damaris Athens, Greece

Argyris served in a full-time teaching position at the Greek Bible College, following 10 years of pastoral experience in Toronto and Piraeus, 8 years in the evangelistic and publishing work in Greece, and 12 years in the leadership of the Greek Evangelical Alliance. In addition to serving as a professor at the Greek Bible College, the only Bible school in Greece, he is also a preacher and ordained minister of the Greek Evangelical Church, and a published author through the Greek publishing house, O LOGOS. Following years of being a pastor's wife and a mom, Dina began ministering to women trapped in the brothels in downtown Athens. Recently, she founded and now serves as the director of Damaris House, a ministry providing safe housing and a recovery program to survivors of sex trafficking and exploitation. This ministry empowers women to find freedom, walk through their journey of healing, and reintegrate into society. Argyris and Dina Petrou have three sons: Mark, Erik, and Erastos. Mark ministers in a Roma Gypsy community with Child Evangelism Fellowship. Eric is part of the church planting leadership team of Neos Kosmos Church in Athens. Erastos is a college student. Trinity's partnership with a half dozen or more Greek pastors and church planters began through our relationship with Argyris Petrou in 2008. He has been our host for several missions trips to Athens and, has in turn, visited Trinity Church several times.

Music and Hymns

#693 "Blessed Assurance"

This hymn was written in 1873 by Fannie J. Crosby. The lyrics are based on Hebrews 10:22-23, which says "let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." Fannie was a blind hymn writer who wrote over 8,000 hymns in her lifetime. This hymn was especially special to her, as the words of the first verse are even engraved on her tombstone.

#252 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Do you ever stop to take a real close look at the cross and what it meant for Jesus to have to die for your sins? Many people don't like to think about the price Christ had to pay because those thoughts are just too painful. We might not be murderers or thieves, but we all have pride in our hearts. "Sorrow and love flow mingled down" means that as he was dying for us, he had the mixed emotions of love and sorrow at the same time. In the 4th verse, we see where Isaac Watts, the hymn writer, concludes that "love so amazing and divine demands our soul, our life, OUR ALL!

> "I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." Psalm 146:2



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