

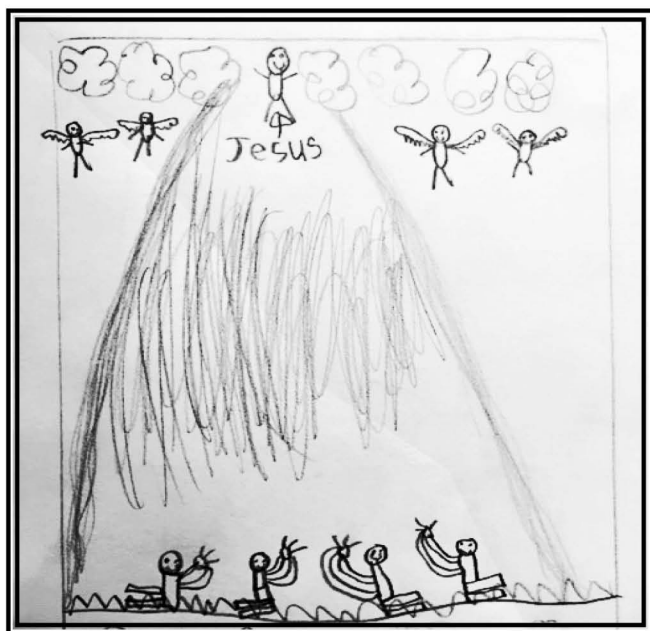
# The Children's Worship Bulletin

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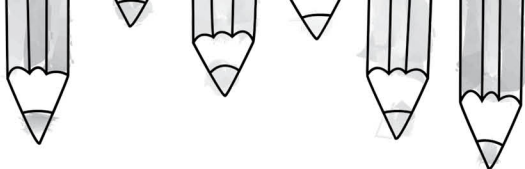
Trinity Presbyterian Church

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May 3, 2020



Name: Xander McLendon Age: 8



# Just a word from Mr. Mac

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

Dear Children,

Last week, I wrote to you about the author of the hymn “It Is Well with My Soul,” Horatio Spafford. This morning, we are singing another great hymn by another great hymn writer: “And Can It Be That I Should Gain” by Charles Wesley.

The story is told that he was getting over an illness at the home of John Bray, a poor mechanic. He heard the voice of John’s sister cry out in a dream: In the name of Jesus of Nazareth, arise, and believe, and thou shalt be healed of all thy infirmities.”

A man by the name of Timothy Dudley-Smith (who wrote a hymn for Trinity Church when our church turned 125 years old) says that Charles got out of bed, opened His Bible to the Psalms, and read, “He has put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God.” He then read from Isaiah 40, “Comfort ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God.” And Charles wrote in his diary: I have found myself at peace with God, and rejoiced in the hope of the love of Christ.

Soon after he was converted through this experience, he wrote this hymn we will sing today, “And Can It Be That I Should Gain.”

When you sing it today, I hope you will pay close attention to the words. I hope you will think about your own love for Jesus and how much He loves you.

Here are some statements to look for:

Died He for me – who caused His pain.

Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies. (The mystery that One could not die, did die.)

He left His Father’s throne above (so free, so infinite His grace!) humbled Himself (so great His love!), and bled for all His chosen race. That He died for you!

My chains fell off; my heart was free!

It’s such a wonderful hymn. I’ll ask your mom and dad in this issue of the Children’s Bulletin to walk through the entire hymn with you.

I love you.

Mr. Mac

# Suggested questions for Mom and Dad to use this week

1. Mom and Dad, we will continue to encourage you to teach your children the Psalms; to read them; pray them; talk about them; if able, to sing them. Your children will learn so much reading the Psalms with you.
2. In Mr. Mac's letter to the children in this issue of the Children's Bulletin, he told the children that he would encourage you to walk through the hymn, "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" with your children. It is not the easiest to understand, but if you would take the time to explain it to them on their level, you know this will be a hymn they grow up loving and appreciating.
3. Read Psalm 34; again, divide it up, and take a few days to do it. Talk about praising God; what it feels like when God delivers you; that angels encamp around those who fear the Lord!! Even Jesus Himself!
4. Talk to your children about returning to church one day; speak to them of your own excitement about getting back; explain to them how important it will be to return to the church sanctuary for worship despite having had church at home on the TV or radio.

*Dear 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 [click here](#) to email Mr. Mac!

**A Guide to Family Worship  
May 4 - May 9**

**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** Have a Leader of the Day: 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.*

# Sermon Art

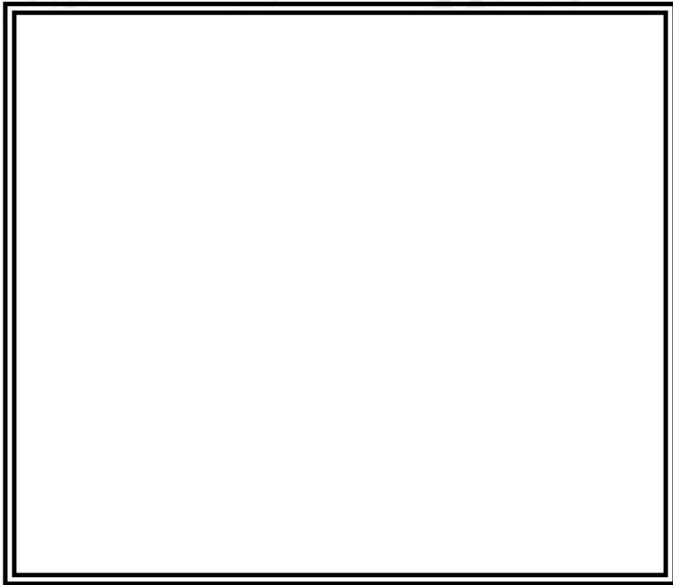
Use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Mac preaches on during the sermon this morning!

**This week's lesson is on**

Psalm 34

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).



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

“And He said to them,  
‘Go into all the world  
and proclaim the gospel  
to the whole creation.’”  
Mark 16:15

**Meet Our Missionaries!**



**FIRST CHOICE**  
WOMEN'S MEDICAL CENTER

## **First Choice Women's Medical Center Montgomery, AL**

First Choice Women's Medical Center began as Sav-A-Life Montgomery in 1982 and opened a Crisis Pregnancy Center. In 1997, it purchased the building on Mendel Parkway off the Atlanta Highway. In 2007, it began transition to a medical center with ultrasound equipment that has been one of the biggest elements in helping abortion minded women comprehend the life of the child that exists within their womb.

Will you pray for First Choice?

- Pray that God would continue to draw to our center the women and men who most need our help here in Montgomery.
- Pray that God would bring more men to our Fathers First weekly sessions, and that our male staff member would have clear wisdom and direction in how to help them be effective dads.
- Please pray that every woman or man who walks in the door at First Choice would have such a real sense and understanding of God's love for them, and their hearts would be open to the truth, both the truth of the Gospel and the truth about life in the womb.
- Pray that our staff would be unified and would do our work with excellence to glorify God.

# Music and Hymns

## **#648 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"**

**Why do you love Jesus? The writer of this hymn says "I love Thee because Thou has first loved me." Jesus loved you before you were even born. He came to earth and died on the cross for your sins because He loved you, even though you never asked Him to; even though we are all unworthy. He saved us from our sin that we could never escape on our own. He prays for us and listens to us. Tell Jesus how much you love Him and thank Him for what he has done for you!**

## **#38 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"**

**As long as we are on the earth, God will be invisible to us. We cannot see Him, as He is hidden from our eyes, but He is visible to us in other ways? In what things, places, or people on earth do you see God? List the ways we can see Him here on earth even though we cannot physically see Him:**

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**"To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."**

**1 Timothy 1:17**



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