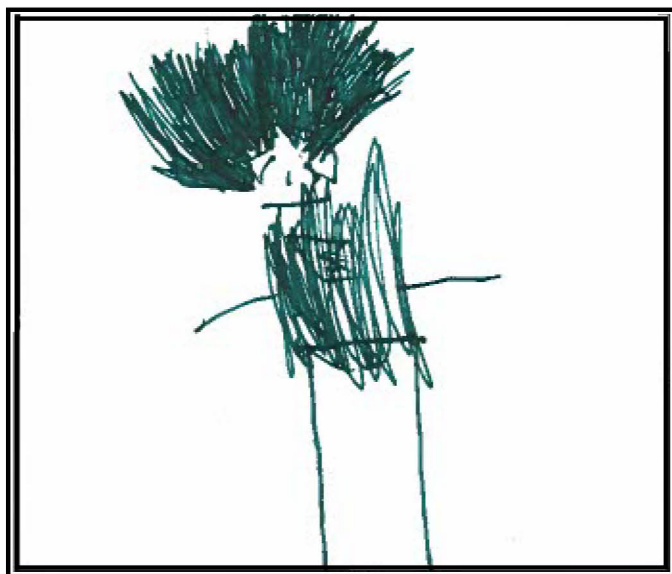


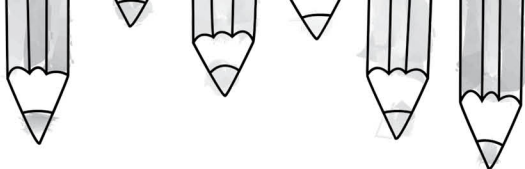
The Children's Worship Bulletin

Trinity Presbyterian Church

October 25, 2020



Name: Rachel Taylor Age: 4



Just a word from Mrs. Stacy

Stacy Hamilton • Director of Children's Ministries

Good morning boys and girls!!

Have you ever heard the quote "Hope springs eternal..."? It's been my experience that this is something that people say to someone that they want to encourage when a situation might seem hope-less. You will not find this expression in the Bible, but what it means is that we always have hope. Indeed, the disciple Peter, in his letter to Christians who were suffering because of their faith, points us to our one TRUE hope: Jesus Christ.

Turn in your Bibles to 1 Peter 1:3-9 and read the passage to yourself. As you probably already know, Jesus' disciple Peter was the writer of 1st and 2nd Peter in the New Testament. In verse 3, what word does Peter use to describe the type of hope that we have in Christ Jesus? If you said "living" you are correct! If something is living, it is not dead, it is active or alive. Because of what Jesus did for us on the cross, we have a new life and can look forward to the day when Jesus returns! Verse 4 goes on to refer to "...an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you..." Do you know what an "inheritance" is? An inheritance is something of value that is passed on to an heir. In worldly terms, it usually means money or valuable items—things that can certainly perish. As Christians though, our inheritance, our salvation thru Jesus Christ, can never fade or pass away or die. Our inheritance is kept and protected for us in Heaven.

Does this imperishable hope mean that we will not go through some difficult times? It does not. We will still experience sadness, disappointment, and grief; but as Christians our faith or belief is not in the things of this world because we know that those things will not last. Rather, verses 5-7 tell us that our inheritance is being guarded in heaven, but that we will go thru trials that will test our faith and make sure that it is real and genuine. Scripture is full of references to hope. I invite you to read Jeremiah 29:11; Isaiah 40:31; Romans 12:12; and Romans 8:24-25. Mr. Curles will refer to these scripture references today in his sermon.

I want to close today with one of my favorite verses: Jeremiah 29:11. "For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

I love you!!

Mrs. Stacy

P.S. We have our fun Reformation Party coming up on Saturday, October 31, from 4:30-6 pm here at our church and I hope to see you there!! We love to see your non-scary and creative costumes!!



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,

Name: _____ Age: _____

A Guide to Family Worship

October 26 - November 1

Suggested Questions for Mom and Dad to Use this Week:

1. Parents: It would be a great exercise this week to share your "faith stories" with your children. What are some things that have happened to you in your life that strengthened your faith in Jesus? Also, at what point in your life did you realize that your hope was in Jesus alone?

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

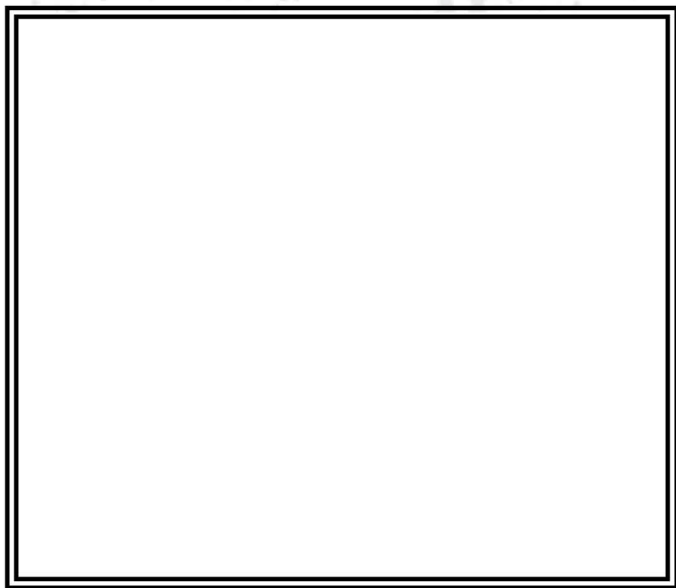
Use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Curles preaches on during the sermon this morning!

This week's lesson is on

1 Peter 1:3-9

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: _____

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

Meet Our Missionaries!



Mark Petrou
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Athens, Greece

Mark Petrou is one of three sons of Trinity missionaries Argyris and Dina Petrou who live in Athens, Greece. Mark's father, Argyris, teaches at the Greek Bible College and trains people to be pastors and teachers. Mark's mother, Dina, has a ministry for women in their city called Community House Damaris.

After completing university studies in Physics, mandatory national military service and earning a degree from the Greek Bible College, Mark Petrou volunteered and then was accepted as a staff member with Child Evangelism Fellowship. He spends four days a week tutoring and evangelizing children in a Gypsy settlement, while also participating in the CEF events in Athens and surrounding Greek locations. The Petrous have been supported by Trinity Church since 2008.

Music and Hymns

92 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

God is indeed a mighty fortress! Do you know what a fortress is? A fortress is a safe place that protects those who are inside.

You can imagine a castle with high walls and a moat surrounding it with guards and cannons ready to defend it at the first sign of an enemy. God is our fortress. Psalm 18:2 says "The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." If you are in the Lord, nothing can harm you. The Lord will keep you safe. As a Christian, you are a son or daughter of the King of kings and you remain safe within His fortress. Praise God!

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!

"Samuel....named it Ebenezer, sayng,
'Thus far has the Lord helped us.'"

1 Samuel 7:12



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