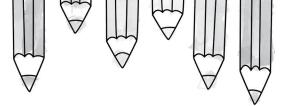


Trinity Presbyterian Church

October 17, 2021



Name: Wilda Muzio Age: 6



Just a word from Mr. Mac

Claude E. McRoberts, III • Senior Minister

Dear Children,

Are you enjoying the fall weather? What about football – do you like football? Fall is full of freshness and beauty. Leaves changing colors is truly a mighty work of God and His creativity.

There was a time when the fall was very dark in Europe. The clouds, you might say, were already gathering in the 1930's, but war broke out in 1940. During this time, Germany and their evil leader, Adolf Hitler, hated Jews. They were sent to prison camps by the millions; and sadly, millions died.

There were some who tried very hard to take care of the Jews; to minister to them; and hide them from the evil people. One family was the Ten Boom's. Corrie and her sister, Betsy, spent nearly two years in one of those prison camps where Betsy died.

Their father: Papa Ten Boom, used to say: "Just because there is a mouse in the cookie jar does not mean it's a cookie."

You can use this sentence in many ways; perhaps you and you parents could think of other ways to use that sentence.

But I want to use it for church: "just because someone goes to church, does not mean they are a Christian." And you could say it in lots of ways: "just because someone reads their Bibles" ... "just because they enjoy Sunday School ..." " just because they like singing hymns ..." These things do not make someone a Christian; they are things Christians do.

Jesus makes it very clear this morning that His true disciples abide in His Word. This means they believe His Word and obey it. They have a longing for it. They want to read it and follow it. They want to hold on to it all day. They want to "taste it (I'll use that word when we are at communion)."

Speaking of communion: I hope each time we have communion, you are looking forward to the day YOU can take communion. Watch your mom and/or dad as they take communion. I remember doing that when I was your age. Ask them what they are doing when they eat the bread and drink the juice. And you yourself can pray during that time.

I hope you have a wonderful time at church this morning. I hope you enjoy worshipping, and singing, and hearing God's Word read and preached. And I hope you enjoy your friends.

I am glad you are my friend,

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.

Dear	Mr.	Mac,	
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A Guide to Family Worship October 18 - October 23

- 1. Mom and dad, you might have some fun this week with the sentence I will quote today by Papa Ten Boom: "Just because there is a mouse in the cookie jar does not mean it's a cookie." You can see above in my letter to the children some ideas for you all to do at home. But be sure to make the point regarding Christianity.
- 2. Talk about freedom. Share with your children why you love our freedoms in America. What are they? You might listen to Lee Greenwood's "I'm Glad to Be an American." NOW, that is not meant to be your devotional time, but it will help your children relate to what I am talking about in my sermon. And it WOULD be fun for sure.
- 3. But what does Jesus mean when He says He sets us free? Free from what?
- 4. I MIGHT mention Halloween; and I am hoping when you read this, you will have read my letter to you all about simply being careful with what we celebrate as Christians. Don't just make the decision with a heavy (or light) hand; discuss this with your children no matter what you decide to do.
- 5. Discuss: God is my Father.
- 6. Discuss: Jesus says, "Before Abraham was, I AM."

Sermon Art

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

This week's lesson is on

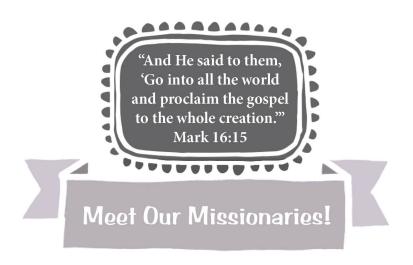
John 8:31-59

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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RUF wants to create a fellowship of students where every person, regardless of background, personal history, or conviction, can examine the truth claims of Reformed Christianity in a non-threatening atmosphere. Their fellowship on campus is not limited to those who have a prior commitment to being Reformed, Presbyterian or even Christian.

Music and Hymns

#672 "Trust and Obey"

"Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey." Do you trust and obey your parents? What happens when you don't obey? You normally get into some type of trouble, right? Well, Jesus also has rules for you to follow and he gives them not to hurt you, but for your own good, just like your parents. For example, Jesus tells us in the Bible not to lie. Lying can hurt others, but it can also hurt you. When you lie you have to hide all of the time and try to think up other lies to cover your original lie. Lies can make you feel really terrible. Jesus is trying to protect you. He knows what is good for you and all of His Commandments are for your good.

Trust and obey your parents and trust and obey Jesus.

#101 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

This hymn speaks of the Holy Trinity of God the Father, "Almighty King," Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, the "Incarnate Word," and the Holy Spirit, our "Holy Comforter." 2 Corinthians 13:14 says "May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." This hymn is asking Him to return and we know that one day He will!

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

2 Corinthians 13:14



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