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MISSIONARY PRAYER NEEDS

April 28, 2024 – May 4, 2024

At our 2024 Missions Conference, Pastor McWilliams asked each of our visiting missionaries for a prayer request we could remember for them over the coming year:

Sunday – Jonathan & Jackie Gibson (Westminster Theological Seminary) ask prayer for faithfulness as they seek to see men and women raised up for gospel ministry. Pray for Jonathan as he teaches at WTS and Jackie as she leads a ministry for Westminster wives and a women's Bible study. Pray that WTS would help students form biblical convictions, develop a godly character, preach the truth, and faithfully shepherd Christ's church around the world.

Monday – Donald & Claire-Lise Cobb (MTW – France) ask prayer for a burning desire to glorify the Lord through their work and clarity of purpose in doing so. Pray for the partnership between John Calvin Seminary, where Donald teaches, and the Cameroonian Presbyterian church to train pastors with a biblical, reformed, gospel-focus. Pray for Claire-Lise and others in their denomination as they write Sunday school curriculum that is biblical, covenantal and reformed. Pray for their outreach through their home group.

Tuesday – Andrew & Anne Lamb (IIIM – Global) ask prayer that God would provide partners around the world who have the same priorities—valuing the truth of God's Word and to proclaim the gospel to the nations. Pray for safety and wisdom for Andrew as he travels internationally to set up learning communities for under-resourced pastors. Pray for God's blessing on each individual who uses IIIM materials. Pray for wisdom on how best to focus IIIM's resources.

Wednesday – Aldo & Abby Mondin (RUF – USF) ask prayer for God to provide more mission minded student leaders for RUF at USF. Students are there only about 3 years before graduation. Pray for the interns. Pray for the welcome tent, bible studies and fellowship groups, 1st Year Fellowship and Tuesday night large group. Pray that the time students spend participating in RUF activities will give them a biblical foundation for years to come. Pray for Abby as she cares for their children and supports the various RUF activities.

Thursday – F & I (1st Pres. Church Weaverville – Sensitive Areas) ask prayer for wisdom raising their five children in a foreign land. Pray for the equipping of Christ's redeemed people from every tribe and nation around the world. Pray for focus and endurance writing and translating books on theology into French and teaching theology courses. Pray that the agricultural course will be a blessing to the church in Africa and an outreach to the community. Pray for the family as they renew green cards and visas—this is a difficult process.

Friday – Nathan & Kasia Tunnell (GPTS - Seminary Student) ask prayer that God would call another pastor/family to church plant with them in Poland. Pray for the biblical gospel to go forth in Poland which is primarily RC. Pray that Nathan's studies would not merely be academic but an act of worship and equip him to shepherd Christ's church. Pray for wisdom and stamina for Kasia as she homeschools, cares for Amelia, and manages the household. Pray that Amelia will no longer need a feeding tube by the time of their permanent move.

Saturday – Waller & Mary Tabb (Wycliffe – USA) ask prayer for Waller and the team to be humble, holy, and hardworking—qualities needed for translation consultants as well as for Bible translators. Pray for wisdom and zeal to do the work of translation in Uganda and the Spirit's power to apply the translated Scriptures to hearts.

Carla Stevens (MTW/MINTS–USA) asks prayer for all her students to persevere in their studies and to apply what they are learning about God-honoring teaching in their classrooms. Pray for Carla and her team as they write education courses. Pray for more laborers for the harvest.

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OUR PURPOSE IS TO WORSHIP THE TRIUNE GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH, WHICH COMPELS US TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER AND TO WITNESS TO ALL MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN, DISCIPLING THEM IN BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY IN THE HISTORIC TRADITION OF THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH.

OUR STAFF

Senior Minister David B. McWilliams	Associate Pastor Jeff McDonald	Associate Pastor of Youth and Families Adam McNeal Accountant Ronnie Boutwell
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Organist and Director of Ensembles Kae Corbin	Child Development Center Pre-school Director Meghan Streets	Youth Ministry Assistant Joy Marie Strawbridge
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RULING ELDERS

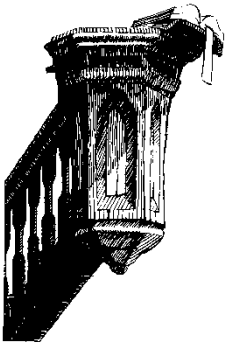
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David Nederveld	Tom Oates	Scott Robinson	Mike Sligh
Steve Sligh	Jim Valenti	Bob Vogel	

DEACONS

Jim Allen	Phil Cagle	John Foster	Len Fusaro
Greg Hannah	Jacob Maguire	Chris Robinson	David Sligh
Anthony Sligh	Nathan Sligh	Jonathan Streets	Waller Tabb
Kevin Wasilewski			

CHURCH SCHEDULE – WEEK OF APRIL 28, 2024

Sunday	
Christian Education Hour	9:15 AM
Morning Worship Service	10:30 AM
Evening Worship Service	5:00 PM
Tuesday	
Women's Bible Study	10:00 AM / 7:00 PM
Wednesday	
Middle School Sermon Discussion	5:15 PM
Middle School Youth Group	6:15 PM
Prayer Service	6:30 PM
Easter Choir Rehearsal	7:25 PM
Senior High Youth Group	7:30 PM
Friday	
Men's Bible Study	6:30 AM
Saturday	
Ladies Ensemble	11:00 AM



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April 28, 2024
10:30 AM

For I have not hesitated to declare unto you the whole counsel of God. Acts 20:27

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome

Prelude *O World, I Now Must Leave Thee* Johannes Brahms

Call to Worship 1 Corinthians 15:56, 57 (ESV)
Minister: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.
All: But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Minister: Let us worship God!

* **Hymn 267** *The Day of Resurrection!* Lancashire
 Ruth Lawton, piano

* Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin from *Calvin's Liturgy*
Minister: My brethren, let each of you present himself before the face of the Lord, and confess his faults and sins, saying together with me:
All: O Lord, God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge most sincerely before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing: Wherefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You: and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the Name of

Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as you blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which will bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto You; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 85:1-4 (ESV)
Minister: LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!
All: Amen

Presentation of Communing Member Karen Knight

* **Scripture Lesson** Psalm 16 (ESV)

* **Confession of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed*
All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *catholic means universal

* **Hymn 275** *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done* Palestrina

For children 6+, a "kid's bulletin" is available from the ushers. Room 113 has a video of the service for parents of children who need attention during the service.

Sermon **Dr. David B. McWilliams**
ARMED WITH THE GOSPEL:
AN EXPOSITION ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK
MARK 15:42-16:14
HE IS RISEN

Prayer of Petition and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory *Death Shall Not Destroy my Comfort* Mack Wilberg
The Easter Choir

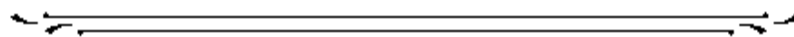
Death shall not destroy my comfort; Christ shall guide me thro' the gloom;
Down he'll send some heav'nly convoy to escort my spirit home.
Oh hallelujah! How I love my Savior! Oh, hallelujah! That I do;
Oh, hallelujah! How I love my Savior! Mourners, you may love him too.
Jordan's stream shall not o'er flow me, while my Savior's by my side;
Canaan, Canaan lies before me! Soon I'll cross the swelling tide.
See the happy spirits waiting on the banks beyond the stream!
Sweet responses still repeating, "Jesus! Jesus!" is their theme.

* **Hymn 706** *Jesus Lives, and So Shall I* Zuversicht

* **Benediction** 2 Corinthians 13:14 (ESV)
Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All: Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

Response *Man of Sorrows! What a Name* Philip P. Bliss

Postlude *Toccata Festiva* Franklin Ritter



EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

5:00 pm

Call to Worship

* **Hymn 305** *Arise, My Soul, Arise* Lenox

* **Prayer of Adoration**

Catechism Review **WSC Questions 40-42**
(Trinity Hymnal pg. 872)

Congregational Hymn Selections

* **Hymn 644** *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* St. Leonards

Sermon **Rev. Adam McNeal**
COLOSSIANS 3:12-15
PUT ON HOLINESS

* **Hymn 529** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* Beecher

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NOTES

MINISTRY OF INTERCESSION AT HOME – PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Marge Ryal, Carol Fullgraf, Donna and Jerry Lister, Blair Kerstetter, Alvin Jones III, Wanda Ebersole, Anna Canady, Wayne Viner, Janie Kirby, Lori Dann, Cindy Winslow, Mark Kirby, Maggie Valenti, Linda Nederveld, Dane Streets, Karen Reed, Ronnie Boutwell, Marti Beswick, and Kae Corbin.

Men should always pray and not give up. Luke 18:1