

May 5, 2013

The Lord's Day Service of Worship

Prelude (Signal to quickly take your seat,
quiet your heart, and prepare for worship.)

*Welcome &
Heritage Family Matters*

Right Panel

Call To Worship & Invocation

Hymns Of The Church—Missions:

"O God, To Us Show Mercy" #385

"Jesus Saves!" #370

Scripture Reading *Psalm 72*

Hymn Of The Church—The Kingdom of God:

"The Ends Of All The Earth Shall Hear" #295

Prayer of:

Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving & Supplication

Hymn Of The Church—The Church Of Christ:

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" #280

Bringing God's Word To Us

Pastor Gordon Taylor

"Christ's Kingdom An Encouragement For Missions"

Hymn Of The Church—The Free Offer Of The Gospel:

"I Love To Tell The Story" #387

Benediction

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

"O let the nations be glad and sing for joy," or, they shall joy and triumph. When men know God's way and see his salvation, it brings to their hearts much happiness. Nothing creates gladness so speedily, surely, and abidingly as the salvation of God. Nations never will be glad till they follow the leadership of the great Shepherd; they may shift their modes of government from monarchies to republics, and from republics to communes, but they will retain their wretchedness till they bow before the Lord of all. What a sweet word is that "to sing for joy!" Some sing for form, others for show, some as a duty, others as an amusement, but to sing from the heart, because overflowing joy must find a vent, this is to sing indeed. Whole nations will do this when Jesus reigns over them in the power of his grace. We have heard hundreds and even thousands sing in chorus, but what will it be to hear whole nations lifting up their voices, as the noise of many waters and like great thunders. When shall the age of song begin? When shall groans and murmurs be exchanged for holy hymns and joyful melodies? "For thou shalt judge the people righteously." Wrong on the part of governors is a fruitful source of national woe, but where the Lord rules, rectitude is supreme. He doeth ill to none. His laws are righteousness itself. He rights all wrongs and releases all who are oppressed. Justice on the throne is a fit cause for national exultation. "And govern the nations upon earth." He will lead them as a shepherd his flock, and through his grace they shall willingly follow, then will there be peace, plenty and prosperity. It is great condescension on God's part to become the Shepherd of nations, and to govern them for their good: it is a fearful crime when a people, who know the salvation of God, apostatize and say to the Lord "depart from us." There is some cause for trembling lest our nation should fall into this condemnation: may God forbid.

(From Spurgeon, "Psalm the Sixty-Seventh," The Treasury of David, p. 206)

HERITAGE FAMILY MATTERS

- ♦ **Welcome to our annual Missions Conference.** We welcome ARBCA Coordinator, Pastor Gordon Taylor, as our guest speaker. We are pleased that his wife, Rayna, has been able to accompany him on this trip and is also with us today.
- ♦ **Tonight at 6:00 p.m.,** Pastor Taylor will close our day with a power point presentation highlighting ARBCA missionaries, including our own David Vaughn.
- ♦ **Building Tomorrow's Missions—July 20-25.**
- ♦ **Ladies Spring Tea** is this coming Saturday, May 11—from 2-4 p.m. Sign up for attendance and to help with food items continues on-line. Please pray for this special time of fellowship together and for our 3 special speakers (Bethan Adams, Allison Cook and Sarah Preston) as they prepare to speak to those in attendance about "A Precious Heritage".
- ♦ **Sunday, May 12:** Mother's Day—(no evening service).
- ♦ **Second Sunday outreach/fellowship lunch** coordinated by David Randall's 242 Group will not meet in May. They do plan to meet again after the morning Worship on June 9. Please contact Elizabeth Wright if you have questions about the Second Sunday outreach/fellowship lunches.
- ♦ **Sunday, May 19:** Baptismal service (a.m.). If you desire to openly identify with Christ in this way, please contact Pastor Rast to be interviewed as a candidate for baptism.
- ♦ **Wednesday, May 22, 7:30 p.m.—**State of the Church meeting in the sanctuary (no 242 Groups that evening).
- ♦ **June 23 to 26: Boy's Ranger Camp; and June 24 to 26: Girl's Camp Chippaway** (more details in the coming weeks).
- ♦ **Additional Items:**