

Glory Clothed in Humility

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Isa 50:4-9a; Phil 2:5-11; Mt 21.1-11

Introduction

Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)

⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

1 Timothy 6:15 (ESV)

¹⁵ . . . the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

Yet, how does the King of Kings ride into Jerusalem?

What happens at his bizarre coronation ritual?

How does the world look at this?
Are they right?

CCT: Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords,
glory clothed in _____.

I. Our Status in Christ

So with Him; so also with _____.

We are forgiven and restored, not because of what _____ have done, but because of what _____ has done for us. We don't _____ our place in God's family. We are _____ rightful members of His family.

Galatians 4:4-7 (ESV)

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

In Baptism you are *declared*:

an "heir of _____ grace," (Gal 4) a "son of _____," (Rom 8) a "_____ creation" (2 Cor 5), a "_____ priest" (1 Pet 2). But it might not _____ like that on the outside.

What are some examples of this?

You, the baptized, are a _____ clothed in humility.

II. Glorious Life

Now, what does that mean?

As parents?

As children?

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SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

NEW Worship Time Survey

This survey is a follow-up to the last survey done in March, regarding a change in survey time. The vote was split pretty evenly 3 ways. There was no real clear majority. 5:30 pm and 5:00 pm were the top two vote-getters. We will ask you to pick one time only. Survey period: April 1st through April 9th. Please leave your ballots in the offering plate or at the church office.

Please vote only ONCE during the survey period.

***Please provide your name and the service you attend regularly.
(Votes without a name will not be counted.)***

What service do you most regularly attend?

_____ 5:30 p.m. _____ 8:00 a.m. _____ 10:30 a.m.

Please select your preferred starting time for Saturday Evening Worship:

_____ 5:30 p.m.

_____ 5:00 p.m.

Name: _____

Comments:

St. Paul's Ballot for Nominations

This ballot is used to recommend individual(s) within the congregation for a leadership position.

The process consists of:

1. Fill out the ballot with the name of the individual you are recommending and for what position within the St Paul's organization. Individuals being recommended are expected to currently be involved in Worship, the Lord's Supper, and Bible Study.
2. Turn the ballot in by way of the offering plate or return the ballot to the church office **NO LATER THAN MAY 14**.
3. The ballots are turned into the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will review the recommendations for the best ministry opportunity based on skills sets of the individual and the needs of the respective boards. Upon approval from the committee for a position, the nominee will be contacted by a committee member to inform them if they have been chosen to be a candidate for a given office.
4. Nominees are asked to prayerfully consider the position. If they request additional information the Nominating Committee will supply the duties of that position or that Board.
5. A follow up call is scheduled and the nominee is asked if they will accept the nomination.
6. The final slate of nominees will be printed (1) week prior the Voters' Meeting. No nominations will be accepted from the floor during the Voters' Meeting.

Nominee: _____ Position or Board: _____

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POLICY BASED GOVERNANCE MODEL 2017 Leadership Positions

| POSITION | | NAME |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| President | | |
| Vice President #1 | | |
| Vice President #2 | | |
| Treasurer | | |
| Education Committee, Director | | |
| Operations Committee, Director | | |
| Board of Elders | 1 | <i>Director</i> |
| | 2 | |
| | 3 | |
| | 4 | |
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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

St. Paul's has many non-elected ministry opportunities available. Below are a few examples. Please contact the church office at 262.567.5001 for more information.

EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Assist the Principal as needed in the planning and administration of the educational programs of the children from pre-Kindergarten through middle school age, to determine policies, to select personnel for the various agencies, to provide the necessary means and facilities for the agencies, and to direct and supervise those educational programs of the congregation.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Provide the proper maintenance and repair of church property, and the general protection of the congregation against loss or damage of whatever nature.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Provide support, advice and guidance to the Church Leadership Team and staff as it relates to church related financial matters and maintain a sound internal control system that assures that the funds collected and disbursed receive proper handling and are accounted for in accordance with the Church's wishes.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Initiate programs for the development of good stewardship attitudes in the members of the Congregation in regard to time, talent and treasures, to provide training and utilization of members in the Congregation for work of Christ's kingdom, and to ensure the financial stability of the Congregation and its works through a developed program of dedicated, proportionate, first-fruit giving.

YOUTH GROUP

Involve the young people of the Congregation in the work of Christ, provide for their spiritual growth and nurture, and to promote a genuine Christian fellowship for the young people of the Congregation.

CHURCH OFFICE

In St. Paul's church office, there are many chances for helping. The office staff will identify the types of activities, which match your skills and interests. Our goal is to match your skills to the right tasks.

As disputants in an argument?

When we realize that we've done these things what does Christ bid us do?

1. Confess to _____.
2. Confess to _____.
3. Seek _____.

Other examples...

Conclusion

What does it mean to repent?

Philippians 2:5–8. We have this mind among ourselves...

We confidently proclaim

Philippians 2:9–11

New Women's Bible Study Beginning May 6th

We are excited to begin a brand new women's Bible Study that will begin Saturday, May 6th, and meet the 1st & 3rd Saturdays (alternating Saturdays from Journeymen). The vision for this group is to grow into a ministry like that of Journeymen. As women in the Word, we will gather to lift up and encourage one another through Bible study and fellowship.

All women of confirmation age and older are invited to join us. (You do not have to be a member of St. Paul's.) We realize that schedules are busy, and that you may not be able to attend all the time, but please don't let this discourage you from attending at all.

Our first study will be 6 sessions using the book, *More to Your Story: Discover Your Place in God's Plan* by Max Lucado. Following that study, we will begin an 8 session study using the book, *Living the Chocolate Life* by Deb Burma.

Start Date: Saturday, May 6

Time: 7:30 AM

Location: Whelan's Coffee Shop (in the loft)
163 E Wisconsin Ave, Oconomowoc

Registration: None needed – just come and join us

Purchase the book: Barnes & Noble online, or Amazon

Prepare: Read the Introduction and review the Session 1 Study Guide (*in the back of the book*)

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