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January 27, 2013



Praising His Name

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Please silence your mobile devices.

Who loves us so much that You sent Your Son to die for us, And Who commands us to love You and our neighbor, we sorrowfully confess that we have not loved You or our neighbor as we ought. Please forgive us, and renew within us both the desire and the power to love You with all our hearts and our neighbors as ourselves, that we may forever honor and glorify Your Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

+HYMN OF GOD'S LOVE: "Here Is Love" .

Here is love, vast as the ocean, Loving kindness as the flood, When the Prince of Life, our Ransom, Shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, Throughout Heav'n's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion, Fountains opened deep and wide; Through the floodgates of God's mercy Flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, Poured incessant from above, Heav'n's peace and perfect justice Kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all Thy love accepting, Love Thee, ever all my days; Let me seek Thy kingdom only And my life be to Thy praise; Thou alone shalt be my glory, Nothing in the world I see. Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me, Thou Thyself hast set me free.

In Thy truth Thou dost direct me By Thy Spirit through Thy Word; And Thy grace my need is meeting, As I trust in Thee, my Lord. Of Thy fullness Thou art pouring Thy great love and power on me, Without measure, full and boundless, Drawing out my heart to Thee.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "To Love Our God"

..... Mark Hayes *text from Ecclesiastes* 1:6-11

.....HYFRYDOL

Where does the wind come from? Where does it go? Blowing north then south, how does it know?

The rain flows gently to the sea, Yet the sea is never full. How can these things be?

Humanity works hard to make a name, Toiling in the sun, yet nothing gained. We all return to dust from whence we came. All is empty, all is vain.

To love our God, the reason we live; To love our God, the highest call. Nothing satisfies our soul, Gives life meaning, makes us whole. For this purpose we were made: To love our God. The reason that we live is to love our God.

+HYMN OF OUR LOVE FOR GOD: No. 660 "O God Beyond All Praising" . . THAXTED

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

†GREETINGS

Hearing His Word

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.
EPISTLE READING I Timothy 3:14-16 (page 992 in pew Bible)
All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field; The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)
SERMON <i>The Pillar and Ground of the Truth</i> Thabiti Anyabwile
PRAYER OF COMMITMENT
 HYMN OF THE CHURCH: No. 81 "O Love of God, How Strong and True"JERUSALEM BENEDICTION
CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN
ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Praeludium in C, BWV 547"J.S. Bach Lenora Morrow, Organist
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We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.

One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.

About Our Speaker: Thabiti Anyabwile is the senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Grand Cayman in the Grand Cayman Islands. He is also a council member of The Gospel Coalition and a contributor to 9Marks, a ministry dedicated to helping churches display the glory of God.