

SERMON TEXT: Mark 13:1-27 (ESV)

¹And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!"
²And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

³And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?"
⁵And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹"But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹²And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

¹⁴"But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁵Let the one who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter his house, to take anything out, ¹⁶and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. ¹⁷And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! ¹⁸Pray that it may not happen in winter. ¹⁹For in those days there will be such tribulation as has not been from the beginning of the creation that God created until now, and never will be. ²⁰And if the Lord had not cut short the days, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, whom he chose, he shortened the days. ²¹And then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'Look, there he is!' do not believe it. ²²For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the elect. ²³But be on guard; I have told you all things beforehand.

²⁴"But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

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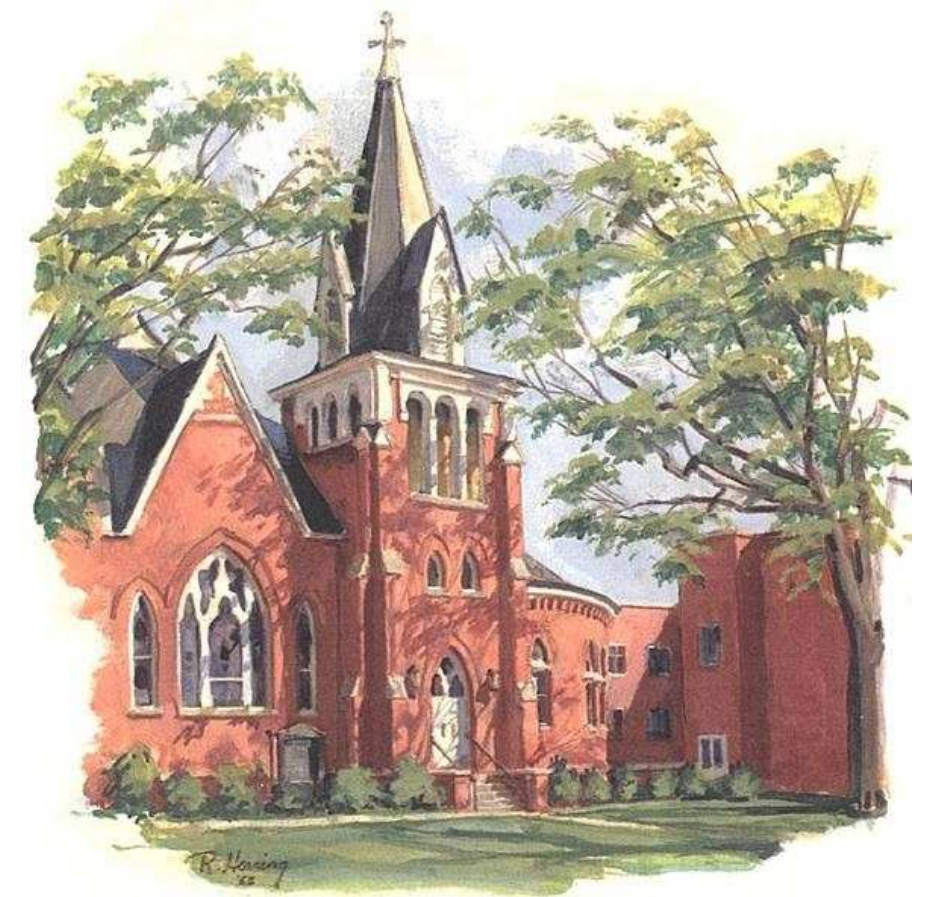
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August 3, 2008 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.....Dr. Fred Coates
Welcome and Announcements
Invocation

PRELUDE: Meditation.....Arcadelt
Joanne Daykin

***THE DOXOLOGY: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**.....34
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***OPENING SENTENCES**

***HYMN: Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart**.....113

CHILDREN'S SERMON.....Dr. Fred Coates

THE WORD OF GOD READ: Deuteronomy 13:1-5.....p. 167
Kathy Ballard

*HYMN: *Be Strong in the Lord*.....514

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned. We have not listened for Your voice. We have been distracted by other voices, led astray by other things. We have not followed You. Have mercy on and our distracted lives. Turn us away from the things that will perish and restore us to Your everlasting love and will for our lives. We humbly submit ourselves before You.

Thanksgiving

Intercession

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, for ever. Amen.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: *My Savior and My God*.....Althouse Chancel Choir

*Response: *Glorify Thy Name* (Verse 1 adapted)..... 146

Father, we love you, we lay our gifts before you, glorify thy name in all the earth; glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

*Prayer of Dedication

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

Sermon Text: Mark 13:1-27

Sermon: *Signs of the Times*..... Rev. Tyler Domske

*HYMN: *Onward Christian Soldiers (Verses 1-3)*.....509

***SCRIPTURAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day; and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

***GOING IN GOD'S NAME**

Invitation

Charge and Benediction

Response: *Onward Christian Soldiers* (Verse 4).....509

*POSTLUDE: *Trumpet Tune*.....Stanley

* Those who are able will please stand.

If you are our guest today, welcome! We're so glad you're here. For more information on FPC, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad and/or take home a "Welcome Home" folder from the Parlor. **You can become a FPC member TODAY** by your profession of faith, transfer of membership, or reaffirmation of faith. Please speak with a pastor following the service.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. **Assisted listening devices** are available from the sound console at the back of the sanctuary.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving remembrance of our dear parents. And thanks be to God for being blessed with 3 wonderful daughters, Godly sons-in-law and 4 special grandchildren by Jane and Pete Peterson.

Recent Prayer Requests: The Brown family; Eliza Good; Jo Ann Cantrell and family; Susan Meade's father; Beth Rafi and family; Margaret Sanders; Mark Deaton; Tip McGee; Joyce Johnson; Mary Voils Aven; Jean Wilds, Lucile McClure's sister-in-law; Lee Doughten; Jan Stilwell's son, John Burris; Dave Montgomery, Phil Loftin's brother-in-law; Bob and Christine Davidson; Anita Teeter; Terry Stevens; Curtis Blake, Cathy Brown's father; Martha Andrews; those who have recently lost loved ones and EO3SW Laban Thompson.

Christian sympathy is expressed to the Rev. Clay Brown and family in the death of his father, Paul; to Jo Ann Cantrell in the death of her mother, Jeanette McDaniel; to Margaret Sanders in the death of her brother, Levi Thomason; and to Beth Rafi and family in the death of her grandmother.

Children in Action (CIA): All rising first through sixth graders are invited to attend this week's CIA activity, a swimming outing at the home of Mary and Mark Kidwell. Participants should plan to meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and be picked up at 1:00 p.m. Bring a bag lunch and swimming gear; drinks will be provided.

Middle School Church School Fun Day: All 7th and 8th graders are invited to attend a Middle School Church School Fun Day next Sunday, August 10, at the home of Leeann and Patrick DeCastro, 307 West Stewart Avenue. Meet at the DeCastro's at 3:00 p.m. for swimming and supper, and plan to be picked up by 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Leeann DeCastro (704-660-5248) or Margaret Curtis (704-663-7925).

Circle 2, Sisters in Christ, will begin meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor, starting September 9.

Presbyterian Men: After taking the month of July off, Presbyterian Men are ready to get back together next Sunday, August 10. Our program will be led by John Koppelmeyer, Director of Barium Springs Home for Children. John has spoken to us before and we look forward to hearing about the impact Barium Springs is having on the lives of children in our area. Our congregation has supported Barium Springs for many years. We invite everyone interested in Barium Springs to join us for breakfast and fellowship. Please call John Neely at 704 663 2592 if you are not a regular attendee. Also, we invite everyone to bring a friend. Remember our new starting time of 8:00 a.m.

There will be a PYF cookout and pool party at the Carpenter's home on Friday, August 8 beginning at 5:00 p.m. All youth in grades 7 through recent high school grads are welcome.

Calendar for August 3-10, 2008

- Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Worship
10:00 a.m. - Church School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
- Monday: 7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts
- Tuesday: 12:30 p.m. - CIA to Kidwell's pool
- Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. - Prayer Group in the library
11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner
- Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study at the Rogers' home
7:00 p.m. - PW Coordinating Team
7:30 p.m. - Mooresville User's Group
7:30 p.m. - Choir practice
- Sunday 8/10: 8:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Men's Breakfast
9:00 a.m. - Worship
10:00 a.m. - Church School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
6:00 p.m. - Deacon's Meeting
7:00 p.m. - Budget and Finance Committee

SERMON OUTLINE

I. Signs; not of the end but of the beginning (v. 1-13)

II. Signs; not from the future, but from the past (v. 14-25)

III. Signs; the end of the old - the birth of the new (v. 26-27)

<p>In Memoriam Paul X. Brown January 24, 1916 – July 25, 2008 <i>Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them! Revelation 14:13</i></p>
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