

SERMON NOTES ♦ MAY 3, 2009
While We Were Still Sinners

SERMON TEXT
Romans 4:23-5:11 (NIV)

²³The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, ²⁴but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

^{5:1}Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

NOTES

- **Righteousness**

- **Reconciliation**

- **Response**

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Welcome & Opening PrayerFred Coates
 Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.
 An asterisk (*) marks when those who are able will please stand.
 Please turn off your cell phones or place them on "vibrate"

Prelude: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*arr. Stephenson
 Exaltation Ringers

Choral Call to Worship: *Let All the World*Liljestrand
 Chancel Choir

Hymn #110: *We Come, O Christ, to You*DARWALL'S 148TH

Children's SermonFred Coates

Call to ConfessionClay Brown

Unison Prayer of Confession
Father, we admit that we come before you today as broken people. We have squandered our gifts, wasted our time, and ignored your voice. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to be the people that you have created us to be. Help us to hear your call on our lives even in the midst of all the noise. Through our Jesus Christ, forgive us, ...

Silent Prayers of Confession
 Assurance of Pardon
 *Response #734: *Glory Be to the Father*.....GREATOREX

CONFIRMATION & COMISSIONING

Presentation of Confirmands
 Profession of Faith with Apostles' Creed

