

SERMON NOTES ♦ MARCH 7, 2010
Here Is Your Son... Here Is Your Mother

SERMON TEXT

John 19:25-27 (NRSV)

²⁵ . . . Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "**Woman, here is your son.**" ²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, "**Here is your mother.**" And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

NOTES

1. The love of Jesus for his mother...

2. The love of Jesus for the world...

3. The love of Jesus for you...

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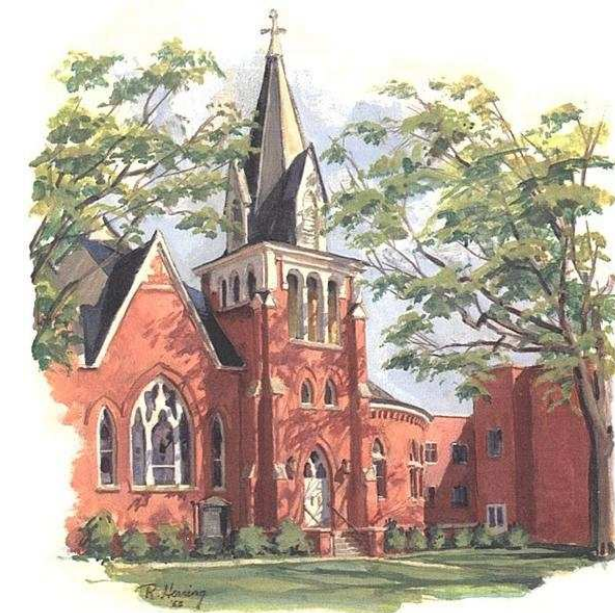
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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
March 7, 2010 ♦ 11:00 A.M. ♦ Third Sunday in Lent

WE COME BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH Clay Brown

MINUTE FOR MISSION

WORDS ON WORSHIP

+ PRELUDE: *Lord, Thy Goodness Reigns* C.P.E. Bach
Christy Floyd

CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 55:6-7 (NRSV) Fred Coates

Seek the Lord while he may be found, and call upon him while he is near.

Let the wicked forsake their way and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy upon them.

To our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Let us worship God...

INVOCATION

*+HYMN 106: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* CORONATION

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM: *Arietta* Mozart/Rogers

Middle School Handbell Choir

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. Everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

By grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not our doing; it is a gift of God.

Friends, receive and believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE 285: *Jesus, Remember Me*

Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom. (Repeat)

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

*+HYMN 255: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Anne Telford
OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 49:1-7 Pew Bible, p. 644
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!
NEW TESTAMENT READING: John 19:25-27 Sermon Notes
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!
SERMON: *Here Is Your Son. . . Here Is Your Mother* Clay Brown

WE RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER Tyler Domske
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: *At the Cross, Her Station Keeping* Wood
Chancel Choir
*At the cross, her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping,
Where he hung, the dying Lord. For her soul, of joy bereaved, bowed with
anguish, deeply grieved, felt the sharp and piercing sword. O how sad and
sore distressed now was she, that mother blessed, of the sole begotten One.
Deep the woe of her affliction, when she saw the crucifixion of her ever
glorious Son. Jesus, may her deep devotion stir in me the same emotion,
fount of love, redeemer kind, that my heart, fresh ardor gaining and a purer
love attaining, may with Thee acceptance find.*

*RESPONSE 34: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100TH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 479: *Near the Cross* NEAR THE CROSS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles’ Creed*
*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in
Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was
crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic
church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

*INVITATION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE: *Father, Give Thy Benediction* Longfellow
Pethel

Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.

*Please stand as you are able. +Latecomers may be seated.

Please turn off your cell phones or place them on “vibrate.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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** by your profession of faith, transfer of membership, or reaffirmation of faith. Please speak with the pastor by the baptismal font following the service for information.

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

Recent Prayer Requests: Thermond Thompson; Mark Kortright; Helen Templeton; Judy Richardson; Rebecca Auten; Dick Fortanbary; Lauren Lancaster, Clay & Cathy Brown’s niece; John Neely; Jan Stillwell; Lee O’Malley, Diane O’Malley’s son; Peter Schlect, Erin Spielman’s husband; Willie Allison; Aldo Martinez; Ray Brawley; Pam Winters’ sister, Reaves Geist; Suzy Brawley; Mary Voils Aven; EO2SW Laban Thompson; Scott Knutsen; 1st Lt. Ben Peacock, USAF; Maj. Scott Goodrich; T. Sgt. Timothy Goodrich; PFC Adam R. Loftin, USMC; all those who have recently lost loved ones; those who are looking for jobs.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Paul and Willie Allison’s 70th Wedding Anniversary from their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Logos Musical: Everyone is invited to a special evening of theatre, **next Sunday, March 14, at 7:00 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. The Logos Choir will present the musical, *The Amazing Jerusalem Makeover*. Desserts will be served immediately following the musical, by church hostess Jerilyn Fair, and members of the Personnel Committee and Circle 6. A nursery will be provided.

Logos Choir Rehearsals: Logos Choir (grades 1-6) members will have two additional rehearsals in preparation for the upcoming musical. Musical rehearsals will be held at the following times:

Saturday, March 13 - 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 14 - 4:30 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. The choir will have a pizza supper on the third floor following the Sunday rehearsal.

Logos Trip: The Logos Choir is taking their show on the road Saturday, March 20 - Sunday, March 21, when they travel to FunStation 2000 for an overnight, and present the musical, *The Amazing Jerusalem Makeover*, at Forest Park Presbyterian Church in Statesville on Sunday, March 21. Trip payments are due as soon as possible; see Gretchen Little or Lisa Davidson for details.

Lent in the Living Room (LILR): The groups started meeting the week of February 14, but you can still join one to discuss the week’s passage and then hear the sermon on it the next Sunday. Groups will meet for a total of six sessions, finishing up the week of March 21. This year’s theme is “Words from the Cross.” We’ll explore some of the last words of Jesus as he is on the Cross, atoning for sin and showing the grace and love of God for a hurting world. Here are the sermon titles and Scripture passages for the remaining Sundays of Lent:

DATE	TITLE	TEXT
3/7, Lent 3	“Here Is Your Son”/“Here Is Your Mother”	John 19:25-27
3/14, Lent 4	“My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?”	Matthew 27:45-49
3/21, Lent 5	“I Am Thirsty”	John 19:28-29
3/28, Lent 6	“It Is Finished”	John 19:30

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 7-14, 2010

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-- Early Worship
10:00 a.m. - Church School
10:00 a.m. - *Membership Matters* Class
11:00 a.m. - Worship with MSM Handbells
3:00 p.m. - Circle 2 in the Library
3:00 p.m. - Prayer Shawl ministry at the home of
Thelma Vaughan
4:30 p.m. - Alpha PYF
5:00 p.m. - Omega PYF

Monday: 2:00 p.m. - Circle 1 in the Parlor
6:15 p.m. - Circle 3 at the home of Kim Streb
6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts
7:00 p.m. - LILR at the Curtis’ home
7:00 p.m. - LILR with the Coates in the parlor

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - Circle 4 at the home of Margaret Sanders
12:00 p.m. - Circle 5 at the home of Sue Kopecek
2:00 p.m. - Circle 6 in the library
6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts
7:00 p.m. - LILR at the Gene Auten’s home
7:00 p.m. - LILR at Margaret Sanders’ home

Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner
12:00 p.m. - LILR in the Session Room
4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM *March Madness* Night
6:15 p.m. - HS Supper Club at Chick-fil-A
7:00 p.m. - LILR at the Fortanbary’s home
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study at the Rogers’ home
10:00 a.m. - GriefShare
6:00 p.m. - Fun & Fellowship at the Golden Corral
7:00 p.m. - LILR at the Small Fry Diner

Friday: 12:00 p.m. - LILR in the Session Room

Sunday 3/14: 8:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Men’s Breakfast
9:00 a.m.-- Early Worship
10:00 a.m. - Church School
10:00 a.m. - *Membership Matters* Class
11:00 a.m. - Worship with Logos Choir
5:00 p.m. - Diaconate
5:00 p.m. - Personnel Committee in Library
5:30 p.m. - Christian Ed Committee
5:45 p.m. - Budget & Finance Committee-Session room
6:15 p.m. - PYF Mission Trip Info Meeting
7:00 p.m. - Logos Musical and Dessert

2010 Church Directories are available at the rear of the sanctuary or in the parlor this morning.