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Order of Worship

September 7, 2008

10:30 A.M.

We assemble as God's Covenant People

Welcome and announcements

Pastor Don Winn

Written Call to Worship

Matthew 4:10

Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.'"

To respond to God's call to worship Him through song and prayer

Prelude

Carla Meade, Pianist

Martha Morris, Organist

Belinda Rhoads, Music Director

The Lighting of the Altar Candles

Acolytes

Choral Call to Worship

"Lord Be Glorified" (186)

Choir

Opening Hymn

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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*Prayer of Invocation

Anna Bell Harris

Hymn

"Love Lifted Me"

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Prayer of confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Continue with Intercessory Prayer ending with the Lord's Prayer.

Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do...."
(Luke 23:34)

To respond to God's call to give to Him our sacrifice of offerings and praise

The Offertory Call

Elder of the Month David Stone

And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he gave him a tithe of all. (Genesis 14:20)

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication of the Offerings

Special Music

Choir

Time with the children

To respond to God's Voice speaking in His Word

Prayer for Illumination

*The Reading of God's Holy and Infallible Word

James 2:14-26

Message

"Beyond 'Easy-Believism'"

Pastor

To respond to God's command to go share Christ with the world

*Closing Hymn

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"

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*God's charge and benediction

James 2:26

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

* Postlude

(*) Denotes those who are able, please stand.

Today the altar elders are David Stone and Meredith Bone. You are invited to join them for prayer as they come to lift up the church and community in prayer.

Sermon Notes

"Easy-believism" says that all person needs to do to be a Christian is to just s_____ that you believe in Jesus or to just make a "d_____" for Christ.

True saving faith consists of three essential parts:

k_____ of some facts.

c_____ of the truthfulness of the facts.

t_____ or entrusting yourself to Christ alone.

Basically saving faith for James is a l_____ faith. Anything else is dead faith.

If all you have is intellectual faith it is no better than the faith that d_____ have.

James is saying that the way to tell if your faith is true saving faith is to look at what c_____ your life's decisions and actions.

These two illustrations have in common that it was doing the w_____ of God that was most important in their actions. Their actions showed this faith.

Anything less than a faith that shows itself in outward actions of putting the will of God first in our life is "d_____ faith."

Prayer Concerns for September

This Week's Opportunities

Today	9:00am – Prayer time for everyone
	9:30am – Sunday School Classes for all ages
	10:30am – Worship Service
	4:30pm -- Choir Practice
	6:00pm -- No Evening Study
Monday	7:00pm -- Women's Ministry
Tuesday	11:30pm -- Elderberry Luncheon
	6:00pm -- Evangelism Explosion
Wednesday	5:30pm -- Pathways Launch at new time
	6:00pm -- Youth
	6:00pm -- Adult Bible Study (Gospel of John)

Announcements

- **Pathways begins on this Wednesday** - New schedule: 5:30-5:50 recreation in gym, 5:50-6:00 snacks, 6:00-7:00 class, crafts, and music. If there is interest, the pastor will lead a study of the book of John for adults from 6 - 7 pm.
- **Youth Breakfast** is next Sunday.
- **Presbyterial Picnic** at Montgomery Bell park is September 21. Picnic dinner at 4 pm; worship at 5 pm. Rev. Dr. Jonathan Clark, moderator of General Assembly, is speaker.
- **Church/Community Yard Sale** - September 27. \$10 per booth. See Cindy Simpson.
- **The Fall Synodic CPWM Retreat** will be October 3-4, at Crystal Springs. All women of the synod are invited to come, worship, play and fellowship with us. Registration is \$35.00.