WORSHIP GUIDE: SUNDAY AM - September 24th, 2023 - 10:15am

Striving Together for the Gospel

Welcome: [Pastor Bernie]

- Passage: Today we will complete chapter 1 of Philippians together and will consider the call to strive together for the faith of the Gospel.
- Today: We will hear some salvation testimonies from Micah and Renae Tanis, who are coming for church membership. We'll also read Scripture to thank the Lord for his provisions and care for us, as we joyfully give to him.

Prayer: [Pastor Bernie]

Call to Worship: Psalm 66:1-4 [Pastor Joel]

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

² sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!

³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

⁴ All the earth worships you
and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name."

Congregational Song: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing [Sing all 5 stanzas]

O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise The glories of my God and King The triumphs of His grace

Jesus the name that charms our fears That bids our sorrows cease 'Tis music in the sinner's ears 'Tis life and health and peace

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin He sets the pris'ner free His blood can make the foulest clean His blood availed for me

Hear Him ye deaf His praise ye dumb Your loosened tongues employ Ye blind behold your Savior come And leap ye lame for joy

My gracious Master and my God Assist me to proclaim To spread thru all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name

REJOICE IN THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE GOSPEL

Testimonies and Church Membership: [Micah & Ranae Tanis]

Congregational Song: And Can it Be? [Sing 3 stanzas]

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood
Died He for me who caused His pain
For me who Him to death pursued
Amazing love how can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me

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Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off my heart was free
I rose went forth and followed Thee

Amazing love how can it be That Thou my God shouldst die for me

No condemnation now I dread
Jesus and all in Him is mine
Alive in Him my living Head
And clothed in righteousness divine
Bold I approach th'eternal throne
And claim the crown through Christ my own

Amazing love how can it be That Thou my God shouldst die for me

THANK GOD FOR HIS PROVISION AND CARE

Scripture: Luke 12:25-34 – [Lyndon Palm]

²⁵ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ^[c] ²⁶ If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷ Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ^[d] yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸ But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰ For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ Instead, seek his ^[e] kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³² "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Prayer: [Lyndon Palm]

- Thanksgiving for His provision.
- Confession on our tendency to worry.
- Consecration to lay up treasures in heaven.

STRIVE TOGETHER FOR THE FAITH OF THE GOSPEL

Congregational Song: O Church Arise [Sing all 4 Stanzas]

O church arise and put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet As the Son of God is stricken Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet For the Conqueror has risen And as the stone is rolled away And Christ emerges from the grave This victory march continues till the day Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride Give grace for every hurdle That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful As saints of old still line the way Retelling triumphs of His grace We hear their calls and hunger for the day When with Christ we stand in glory

*Children 3-K5 dismissed to back

Message: Philippians 1:27-30 [Pastor Steve]

²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy^[h] of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰ engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Congregational Song of Response: O God My Joy [Sing all 3 stanzas]

O God, my joy, You reign above In radiant splendor and beauty. Your Word has drawn my heart to love The awesome sight of Your glory. Your blazing light and gospel grace Shine brightly from my Savior's face. No other wonder would I see Than Christ enthroned in His glory!

Sustained by joy in trial and pain, I trust Your wisdom and mercy. Through suff'ring that Your love ordains, More like Your Son You will make me. For Christ embraced the cross of shame, Beholding glorious joys to come. O give me faith like His to see That suff'ring lifts me to glory!

Compelled by joy, I fight the sin
That turns my gaze from Your glory.
Your Holy Spirit dwells within;
His presence arms me for vict'ry.
Let death and hell against me rise;
Through death I'll gain eternal joys.
All pow'rs of hell will bend the knee
Before my great King of Glory!

Announcements: [Pastor Steve]

- Darin Coons Bible Study Announcement
- Ladies Bible Study Kickoff October 1st
- Grandparents Day at SFCS Friday September 29th
- PM Prayer Emphasis tonight at 6:00pm