

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME *(please silence cell phones, beepers and alarms)*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAISE SONG *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

*How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory*

*Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished*

*I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom*

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #529

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Ephesians 4:20-32

You, however, did not come to know Christ that way.

**Surely you heard of him and were taught in him
in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus.**

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life,
to put off your old self,
which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;
to be made new in the attitude of your minds;

**And to put on the new self,
created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.**

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood
and speak truthfully to his neighbor,
for we are all members of one body.

**"In your anger do not sin":
Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,
and do not give the devil a foothold.**

He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work,
doing something useful with his own hands,
that he may have something to share with those in need.

**Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths,
but only what is helpful for building others up
according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.**

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

**Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander,
along with every form of malice.**

Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

SILENT PRAYER AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *What Wondrous Love Is This* Leslie Dripps

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*DOXOLOGY *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*

PRAYER OF PETITION

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

(Children's Church Lesson: *I Will Obey Your Word*)

****Children age 3-K are invited to go to Children's Church** while we sing:

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

*Spirit of God, descend upon my heart
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art
And make me love thee as I ought to love.*

CHILDREN'S "SERMON IN A BOX" **For Elementary School children

HEARING OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE COLOSSIANS 3: 5-14

SERMON HOW TO GROW UP AS A CHRISTIAN REV. HARRY LONG

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*HYMN OF PURPOSE *Take My Life, and Let It Be* #585

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING REFRAIN *Lead Me Lord*
*Lead me Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness
Make Thy way plain before my face
For it is Thou, Lord, Thou Lord only
That makes me to dwell in safety.*

*POSTLUDE *(Indicates Congregation standing)

SERMON NOTES

Colossians 3:5-14 Harry Long

How to Grow Up as a Christian:

*"...you have taken off your old self with its practices
and have put on the new self,
which is being renewed in knowledge
in the image of its Creator."
v.9-10*

1. What are we to put off?
2. What are we to put on?
3. How is this different from mere moralism?

Please Note: Following the Doxology, children (age 3 by 9/30/09 through Kindergarten) are invited to attend **Children's Church**. Parents: Leaders will meet your children at the back door of the Sanctuary. We encourage you to remain in your seat, unless you feel it is necessary for your child to walk him or her to the back door. Please pick up your children from the Children's Church classroom immediately following the worship service.

Sycamore Presbyterian Church
 — 510 Coalfield Road, Midlothian, Virginia 23114 —

—Prayer—

MISSIONS :

Manuel "Tito" Padilla ~ (MTW)
"Gospel on the Border" ministry.
Serving the Mexican community in
El Paso, TX and Juarez City, Mexico.

~ Praise the Lord for blessing their 4th Annual Sports Camp this past June.
 ~ Please pray that God would direct their ministry decision to partner with the area YMCA to offer year-round sports activities for the youth of the El Paso community.
 ~ Pray for their daughter, Rebecca and the other teens attending the Youth Excelling in Leadership Conference (YXL), in Santa Fe, NM, that they may mature in their love and faith for God's people.

RICHMOND AREA PCA CHURCH PLANT EFFORTS:

~ **Evergreen Community Mission**
 (our Powhatan Plant)

~ **City Church of Richmond: Formerly Franklin Street Community Mission**
A James River Presbytery-wide work, led by Rev. Steve Constable and the Stony Point Reformed Presbyterian Church Session.

SYCAMORE: Elders and Deacons

PCA: Mission to North America

COMMUNITY:

~ **Young Life Ministry**

At Sycamore Presbyterian

Our Purpose:

To glorify God and enjoy him in all things at all times - indeed forever!

Our Mission:

To grow; in true worship, in the knowledge of Christ, in fruitful witness, and in acts of mercy.

Our Values:

Our foundational commitment in ministry is to Christ and His Word (I Corinthians 3:11).

Our basis of ministry is grace (Ephesians 1:3-14): we are loved and accepted by God because of his unconditional choice; we are made worthy by Christ's redeeming work; and we are enabled to please God by the Holy Spirit at work in us.

Prayer of Belief

"Lord Jesus Christ, I know I am a sinner and do not deserve eternal life. But, I believe You died and rose from the grave to purchase a place in heaven for me. Lord Jesus, come into my life; take control of my life; forgive my sins and save me. I repent of my sins and now place my trust in You for my salvation. I accept the free gift of eternal life."

—Amen

STAFF		SHEPHERDING ELDERS	DEACONS
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—COMMITTED TO CHRIST AND HIS WORD—