

Welcome to Worship

April 13, 2025

Prayer Notes:

IN the FOYER:

- assistive hearing devices are available (ask an usher)

On the Calendar:

Apr 16 (Wed) @ 7:30am Men's Morning Bible Study

Apr 16 (Wed) @ 7:00pm Prayer and Bible Study

Apr 18 (Fri) @ 10:30 Good Friday Worship (offering for Right to Life Thunder Bay & Area)

April 18 (Fri) @ 12:45ish – Come on Over to the Coopers – sign up in foyer

Apr 19 (Sat) @ 8:30am Men's Prayer Time

Apr 19 (Sat) @ 1:00pm Studying the Bible (Young Adults)

Apr 20 (Sun) @ 10:30 Easter Sunday Worship

Apr 20 (Sun) @ 3:30 Princess Court Ministry

Apr 20 (Sun) @ 5:00 at Rhyners

May 03 (Fri) @ 7:00pm Fired Up Friday

May 03 (Sat) @ 10:30am Sonshine Saturday

Jesus is Lord

GOOD FRIDAY Service

@ 10:30am

EASTER Worship Service

@ 10:30am

He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen



**Easter Sunday
April 20**

Matt 28:1-10

CRAZY OLYMPICS



**FIRED UP FRIDAYS AT DRYDEN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP FRIDAY, MAY 2 7:00PM**

**Dryden First
Baptist
Church
Junior Youth
Group**

- games
- craft
- Lesson
- snack

**Friday May 3
at 7:00pm**

God Cares for you.



COME ON OVER ...

**STEVE AND SHANNON COOPER
INVITE YOU TO THEIR HOME!**

- Arrive anytime after 12:45pm on April 18
- You are welcome to bring a salad or dessert
- Sign up sheet in foyer

Good Friday



- CASH
- CHEQUE

**Collection on
Good Friday for:
Right to Life Association
of Thunder Bay**

Give on-line by going to their website.

PRAY FOR THESE WORKS OF THE CHURCH.

Dryden First Baptist Church

Worship Times and Some of Our Activities:

Sunday Services are held at 10:30am

Junior Church (4-9) and Toddler Program (2-3) occurs during the worship hour.

Nursery facilities are available for parents to use.

Sonshine Saturday is 10:30am-12:00 on scheduled months.

Fired Up Fridays is held bi-weekly during the school year.

Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study at 7:00pm

(watch for announcements or check Facebook)

Social Media:

Facebook - Dryden First Baptist Church

Facebook - Sonshine Saturday

YouTube - Christian Canuck

Website - firstbaptistchurchdryden.com



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Believe in Jesus, Love One Another, Walk by the Holy Spirit: 1 John 3:23-24

1 John 3:23-24 English Standard Version

²³ And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Introduction

a) what is faith?

b) two commands for the Christian

c) clearly seeing the Trinity

- this means that God is three distinct persons (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) and is one in essence

i)

ii)

iii)

d) why teaching the Trinity is important:

- first, it is _____

- second, we must keep the Christian faith pure by teaching the _____ of the Bible

e) a summary of the Christian faith

1. Belief in Jesus Christ

2. Love of the Fellow Christian

3. Life in the Holy Spirit

- those three points perfectly summarize what John is teaching in 1 John 3:23-24

Brief Outline:

1) (3:23) God's Commands

2) (3:24a) Grounded in God

3) (3:24b) Gift of the Spirit

1) (3:23) God's Commands

(3:23) And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

- John continues with the theme of the commands of God from the previous verse

1 John 3:22 and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

a) believe in Jesus Christ

- six important truths about Jesus that you must believe in order to be a Christian!

1. Son of God

- Jesus is called the Son of God many times in the book of 1 John

1 John 1:3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

- the confession of Jesus as the Son of God means that you abide in God

1 John 4:15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

- to be the Son of God means that you are equal with God and thus Jesus is God

John 5:17 But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I am working."

John 5:18 This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

- to be the Son of God means that Jesus has the same authority as the Father

Matthew 3:17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

- the author of Hebrews says that Jesus, the Son of God, is the exact imprint of God, again, establishing that Jesus is God

Hebrews 1:3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

2. The Christ

- Jesus is called the Christ 8 times in the book of 1 John

- the phrase "the Christ" reminds us of the work of the Messiah described in **Isaiah 53**

- John claims that if you confess that Jesus is the Christ this is from God

1 John 4:2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,

3. Holy

- this means that Jesus is entirely without sin and perfect

1 John 2:1 Jesus Christ the righteous.

- Jesus is pure

1 John 3:3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

- Jesus is righteous

1 John 3:7 as he is righteous.

4. Eternal

- "from the beginning" means that Jesus is eternal and has always existed with the Father

1 John 1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life--

5. Saviour (by his atoning work on the cross)

- because Jesus died on the cross, through faith in Jesus a person can experience salvation and have their sins forgiven

1 John 2:1-2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

6. Going to Return

- at the return of Jesus, He will take the Christians to be with Him forever

1 John 2:28 And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming.

1 John 3:2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

b) love one another

- John first introduced the topic of loving one another in **1 John 2:7-11**

- of course, the great example of love is the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ

- in **1 John 3:16**, Jesus showed His love by laying down His life for sinners

2) (3:24a) Grounded in God

(3:24a) Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him.

a) abide in Jesus and have joy

b) union with Jesus

- John has already addressed the topic of union with Jesus in **1 John 2**

1 John 2:3-6 And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

⁴ Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵ but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know

that we are in him: ⁶ whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

- we are reminded again of the teachings of Jesus found in the gospel of John on the vine and the branches

John 15:1-6 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

3) (3:24b) Gift of the Spirit

(3:24b) And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

- we can know that God abides in us by the Holy Spirit who is at work within us

- this is also what Paul teaches in the Book of Romans 8

Romans 8:15-17 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs-- heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

- Christian, the Holy Spirit dwells in you and this should assure you that you belong to the Lord

Application

1) Believe the Gospel

a) Jesus is the Saviour

b) Jesus and the gospel are trustworthy

c) Won't you trust Him?

2) Love the Fellow Christian

- showing love to the fellow Christian is basic Christianity; Jesus is our greatest example of love
John 15:12-13 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³
Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

- Christian, live your life in humble submission to Jesus Christ and love the fellow Christian by obeying God's commands to:

1) care for one another 2) comfort one another 3) bear with one another in love 4) be kind to one another and 5) forgive one another

3) Life in the Holy Spirit

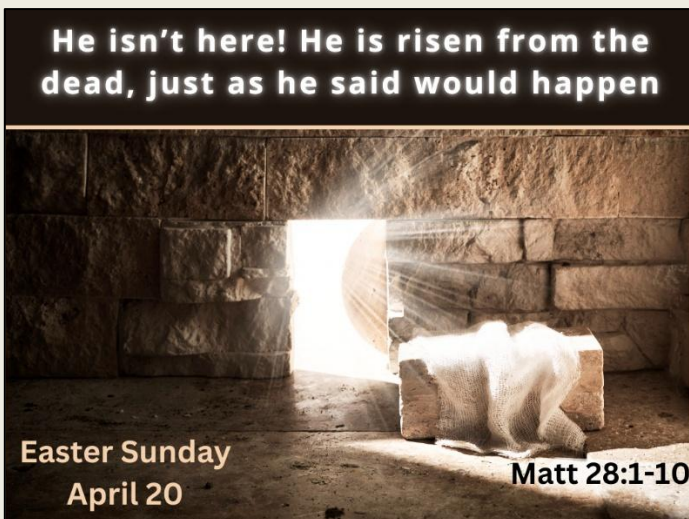
- in 1 John 3:24, John reminds the Christian of the power of the Holy Spirit

- in 1 John 4:1-6, John is going to talk more about the powerful work of God, the Holy Spirit

- Paul reminds the Christians at Corinth that they have been sealed by the Holy Spirit because they have been given the deposit of the Holy Spirit

2 Corinthians 1:22 and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

- the Spirit is the deposit from God of all the blessings of forgiveness and of course the hope of heaven



Good Friday • Apr 18 • 10:30am • at DFBC

WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT FRIDAY?
SUNDAY IS COMING!

2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.