

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday October 13, 2013

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Psalm 103:1-5

Message.....Pastor John Bellingham

“FORGET NOT HIS BENEFITS”

Final Song

Benediction

Into the world to live and witness for the Lord

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

Review: Psalm 104:24; Psalm 100:3a;
Romans 5:8

Middle Elementary:

“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.” Psalm 100:1-2

A Puritan Prayer of Thanksgiving

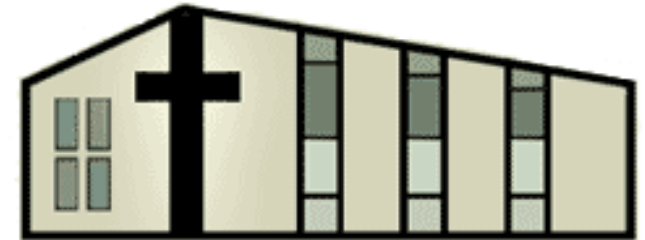
O my God, Thou fairest, greatest, first of all objects, my heart admires, adores and loves Thee, for my little vessel is as full as it can be and I would pour out all that fullness before Thee in ceaseless flow.

When I think upon and converse with Thee ten thousand delightful thoughts spring up, ten thousand sources of pleasure are unsealed, ten thousand refreshing joys spread over my heart, crowding into every moment of happiness.

I bless Thee for the soul thou hast created, for adorning it, sanctifying it, though it is fixed in barren soil; for the body thou hast given me, for preserving its strength and vigour, for providing senses to enjoy delights, for the ease and freedom of my limbs, for hands, eyes, ears that do thy bidding; for thy royal bounty providing my daily support; for a full table and overflowing cup; for appetite, taste, sweetness; for social joys of relatives and friends; for ability to serve others; for a heart that feels sorrows and necessities; for a mind to care for my fellow-men; for opportunities of spreading happiness around; for loved ones in the joys of heaven; for my own expectation of seeing Thee clearly.

I love Thee above the powers of language to express, for what Thou art to Thy creatures. Increase my love, O my God, through time and eternity. Amen.

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Study – 9:30am
Family Play Time – 10:30am

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting – 7:00pm

Friday: Young Adults – 6:30pm

Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study – 8:00am
Niagara Prayer Group – 9:30am

Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00am
Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Junior High Youth Group: A new Junior High Youth Group will begin on Monday October 28th from 6:30-8pm. Spread the word!

75th Anniversary Banquet: Tickets for our anniversary celebration on November 16th are available for purchase today in the foyer. Cost will be \$10/ person and includes childcare (5 and under). Our guest speaker for the evening will be Pastor Frank Beerman.

Worship Team Musicians: If you play guitar or another musical instrument and would like to use your gift in the service of the Lord, please speak with Don Goulet or Kris Metcalfe.

Operation Christmas Child: Empty shoeboxes are available for pick-up today. Fill a box for a child in need and share the love of Jesus this Christmas! Contact Dave Terreberry for more details,

Forget Not His Benefits

Psalm 103:1-5

- As human beings it is very easy to take our gracious God for granted and to forget about all of the blessings He's given us in Christ.
- This Thanksgiving Sunday we are going to bless the Lord by recalling five 'benefits' He has lavished upon us:

I. The Lord Forgives our Iniquities (v. 3)

- 1) The Hebrew word 'iniquity' means to 'twist, bend or distort'
- 2) Sin is a distortion of God's intent for humanity
- 3) The Lord in grace devised a plan for sinful, distorted people like us to be straightened out again!

II. The Lord Heals our Diseases (v. 3)

- 1) Our 'iniquities' result in all kinds of spiritual problems that need God's healing touch (ie. Pride, Greed, Lust, Sinful Anger, Addictions etc.)
- 2) It is not enough to be forgiven (justification), we all need to be healed (sanctification)!
- 3) God also heals us physically according to His sovereign will and purposes

III. The Lord Redeems us from the Pit (v. 4)

- 1) The wonderful concept of 'redemption' is a strand that runs through the entire Bible
 - a. God made provisions in the Mosaic Law for the poor and enslaved to be 'redeemed' from their oppression
 - b. God 'redeemed' His people from their slavery in Egypt
 - c. God's gracious 'redemption' is beautifully pictured through the story of Ruth and Boaz

- 2) God has 'redeemed' believers from their sin by sending His Son to die in their place – Jesus is the ultimate 'Kinsman Redeemer'

IV. The Lord Crowns us (v. 4)

- 1) The idea of crowning reveals the 'prodigal' nature of our God – His grace is utterly extravagant!
 - a. Story of Joseph – from the pit to the throne
 - b. God has pulled us out of the pit of sin and adopted us into His own family
- 2) Believer's have a brand new identity in Christ

V. The Lord Satisfies us (v. 5)

- 1) Eternal life is Knowing God (John 17:3)
- 2) In Christ we have 'abundant life' (John 10:10)
- 3) We have an eternal inheritance that is untouchable and unfading (1 Peter 1:3-5)
- 4) We enjoy the continual presence and friendship of God through the indwelling Holy Spirit
- 5) We have a personal invitation for ultimate Thanksgiving Feast (Isaiah 25)

Application: Let's bless the Lord in the congregation by remembering the great things He has done!