

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision,
O Lord of my heart—
Naught be all else to me,
Save that Thou art;
Thou my best thought,
By day or by night—
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom,
And Thou my true Word—
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father,
I Thy true son—
Thou in me dwelling,
And I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not,
Nor man's empty praise—
Thou mine inheritance,
Now and always;
Thou and Thou only,
First in my heart—
High King of heaven,
My Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven,
My victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
Bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be my Vision,
O Ruler of all.

Traditional Irish Hymn, translated by Mary E. Byrne;
versified by Eleanor H. Hull. Traditional Irish melody.

Our core convictions:

SOLA SCRIPTURA:
Scripture alone is the written word of God. The Bible is the sole and final authority for faith and practice.

SOLA GRATIA: God's grace alone saves us from God's just wrath through the death of Jesus Christ. Salvation is not in any sense a human work or accomplishment but is totally and completely the gift of God.

SOLUS CHRISTUS: Christ alone is the eternal Son of God whose sinless life and atoning death redeem us for God. Christ *alone* has accomplished all that is necessary for our salvation and eternal life is found in no one else but Christ.

SOLA FIDE: Faith alone—apart from all human work or merit—is the instrument of our salvation. Faith is a gift bestowed upon us in Christ for our salvation. God justifies sinners (declares them right with Himself) by grace alone through faith alone because of Christ alone.

SOLI DEO GLORIA: God's glory alone is to be the purpose for which we live and the aim of our worship. We believe worship should affect daily life. For this reason, we seek to focus on God in our worship rather than entertainment values or personal needs. The Church gathers on the Lord's Day to rejoice in the mighty acts of God and to worship Him in ways He has commanded and that are consistent with the principles of His word.

Welcome to Redeemer!

We are a servant people who are passionate about proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ, teaching Biblical faith and honoring God with simple, Biblical worship—and with our lives as we learn to follow Jesus Christ.

We are a congregation of the **Presbyterian Church in America**—a denomination thoroughly committed to the Scriptures as the sole authority for faith and practice.

Today . . .

Sunday School will *not* meet and there will be no evening service.

This week . . .

B.A.S.I.C. (Wednesday, 6:30-8:00PM) Join us in the Adams Room for a thoroughly Biblical and relevant discussion of Christian faith and practice.

Next Lord's Day . . .

Leadership Team Meeting (12:00NOON). Elders and deacons meet to transact business for the church.

Looking ahead . . .

Women in the Church Meet (Sunday, May 22, 4:30PM).

Worship Ministry

Pam Spence, *Music Director* • Cindi Brown, *Pianist*
Ann Galya, *Vocalist* • Laura Moore, *Percussion*

Serving You

Ronda Moore, Phil Chadwick, Katlynn Karnes, Clay McKinney
& John Stevens, *Sound & Recording*
Mary Karnes, *Treasurer* • Anita Berkey & Bonnie Madden, *Finance Clerks*
Linda Joy Choate, *Redeemerlink* Editor (nowfullofjoy@bellsouth.net)
Vickie Stevens, *Prayer Letter* Editor (vns2js@gmail.com)
May Facility Volunteers are needed! Please sign up today.

Childcare Attendants

Dot Barnhill & Linda Greene (9:00AM)
Donna Taylor, *Children's Ministry Director*

Leadership Team

R. Neil Spence, D. Min., *Pastor* (nspence@rpcdickson.org)
Ken Brown, *Assistant Pastor* (kbrown@rpcdickson.org)
Jim Berkey • Phil Chadwick • Ron Robertson, *Ruling Elders*
Blake Chadwick • Clay McKinney • Boyd Taylor, *Deacons*

SERVICE FOR The Lord's Day

May 8, 2011

Words of Greeting & Opening Prayer

Season of Praise

Crown Him with Many Crowns
The Family Prayer Song

The Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in
heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Offering

Offertory Sentences
The Offertory
Act of Praise *The 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 Consecration

Psalter Psalms 127 & 128

Scripture Text..... Ecclesiastes 5:8-6:2

Sermon **What Money Cannot Buy**
Pastor Neil Spence, *Preaching*

The Lord's Supper

Hymn *Be Thou My Vision*

The Blessing

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Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love!
Behold His hands and side—
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life!
Who triumphed o'er the grave;
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n!
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through Him given
From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died.
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified!

Words by Matthew Bridges & Godfrey Thring.
Music by George J. Evley.

The Family Prayer Song

Come and fill our homes with Your presence;
You alone are worthy of our reverence.
As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.
As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.
As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD;
We will serve the LORD.

Based on Joshua 24:15. Words & Music by Morris Chapman
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Psalm Notes

Psalms 127 and 128 are psalms of “home.” They are the hymns of a pilgrim people who have the living God in their midst. His gracious presence makes all the difference. He is the true “Builder” of our families and homes (127:1), the true “Watchman” who guards the city (127:1) and who watches over His people and whose vigilant watch-care and partnership in toil give them rest (127:2). We trust in God and not in ourselves. **Psalm 127** celebrates the blessedness of a people set free from the destructive power of false security.

Psalm 128 continues the thought of God’s blessing on the family and the larger community. The family is blessed who “*fears the LORD*” and “*walks in His ways.*” **The God-fearing man is a blessing to his wife and to his children** (128:3). Wife and children thrive under a godly man’s loving, servant leadership.

The God-fearing family is a blessing to the city (128:5) **and to future generations of God’s covenant people** (128:6). The wicked owe a tremendous debt to the godly. The presence and prayers of the righteous are a blessing to any society. But let us never forget that we are exiles who have a city of our own—the heavenly Jerusalem of which the earthly city is but a symbol. Godly families are a blessing to the church on earth and are preparing citizens for the city that is above.

Psalm 127

- 1 Except the LORD shall build the house
The builders lose their pain;
Except the LORD the city keep
The watchmen watch in vain.
- 2 ‘Tis vain for you to rise betimes,
Or late from rest to keep,
To eat the bread of toil; for so
He gives His loved ones sleep.
- 3 Lo, children are the LORD’s good gift;
Rich payment are men’s sons.
- 4 The sons of youth as arrows are
In hands of mighty ones.
- 5 Who has his quiver filled with these,
O happy shall he be;
When foes they greet within the gate
They shall from shame be free.

Psalm 128

- 1 How bless-ed all who fear the LORD;
And walk within His ways!
- 2 You’ll eat your labor’s fruit, be blessed,
And prosper in your days.
- 3 Your wife will as a fruitful vine
Within your house be found;
Your children will as olive plants
Your table gather round.
- 4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed
Who truly fears the LORD!
- 5 The LORD from Zion grant to you
His blessing and reward.
And may you see Jerus’lem’s good
All days on earth you dwell.
- 6 May you your children’s children see,
And peace on Is-ra-el.

Psalm 127 from *Trinity Psalter*. Based on *Scottish Psalter*, 1650.
Psalm 128 from *The Psalter*, 1912.
Tune: SALVATION C.M.D. from *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816.