A Reflection Before the Service

The line it is drawn
The curse it is cast
The slow one now
Will later be fast
As the present now
Will later be past
The order is rapidly fadin'
And the first one now will later be last
For the times they are a-changin'

-Bob Dylan, "The Times, They Are A-Changin" from the 1963 album of the same title

When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said 'Repent', he intended that the entire life of believers should be one of repentance.

-Martin Luther, the first of the "95 Theses" displayed on the Wittenberg Chapel (1517)

And I've always said, you know, that I don't respect people who don't proselytize. I don't respect that at all. If you believe that there's a Heaven and Hell and people could be going to Hell or not getting eternal life or whatever and you think that, uh, 'Well, it's not really worth telling them this because it would make it socially awkward.' And atheists who think that people shouldn't proselytize – just leave me alone and keep your religion to yourself – uh, how much do you have to hate somebody to not proselytize? How much do you have to hate somebody to believe that everlasting life is possible and not tell them that?

 Penn Gillette, comedian/magician and renowned atheist reflecting on a fan offering him a Bible after a show in Las Vegas (www.youtube.com/watch?v=6md638smQd8)

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The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Worship: Hebrews 1.1-3

God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power.

When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high

(Prayer)

The Opening Hymns of Praise

9:00 "Rejoice the Lord is King" (vv. 1-3, 5)

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"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (vv. 1, verse below, 2,4)

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Crown Him the Lord of life Who triumphed o'er the grave And 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

11:15 "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

-Myrin & Redman

Bless the Lord O my soul. O my soul, worship His holy Name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy Name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger, Your Name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come, still my soul will sing Your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forevermore. (Chorus)

I'll worship Your holy Name. I'll worship Your holy Name.

I've carried a burden for too long on my own
I wasn't created to bear it alone
I hear Your invitation to let it all go
I see it now, I'm laying it down
And I know that I need You

I run to the Father, I fall into grace I'm done with the hiding no reason to wait My heart needs a surgeon, my soul needs a friend So I'll run to the Father again and again And again and again

Oh...oh...oh...

You saw my condition, had a plan from the start Your Son for redemption, the price for my heart I don't have a context for that kind of love I don't understand, I can't comprehend All I know is I need You (Chorus)

Oh...oh...again and again. And again and again. Oh...oh...oh...

My heart has been in Your sights long before my first breath Running into Your arms is running to life from death I feel this rush deep in my chest; Your mercy is calling out Just as I am You pull me in and I know I need You now (Repeat)

I run to the Father, I fall into grace
I'm done with the hiding no reason to wait
My heart found a surgeon, my soul found a friend
So I'll run to the Father again and again
And again and again

Oh...oh...again and again. And again and again. Oh...oh...oh...

A Prayer of Confession In Response to Jeremiah 2.13

Reader: For My people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me, the Fountain of Living Waters, to hew for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

All: Our Father, we have sinned against You by our thoughts, words, and actions. We have sinned by our own will. No one is responsible for our failings but we ourselves.

Trusting in some idol, we have gone the way which seemed right to us. The end of that way is death. We have insisted on having our own way and have disregarded Your good will. We have not found, in ourselves, the ability to love You and to love others.

(Silent Confession)

The Pronouncement of Forgiveness for All Who Believe the Gospel

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. (John 1.12-13)

Prayers of Relief and Request

We pray for the will of God to be done in our lives, families, community and world; empower us to live as the free children of God: (Silent Prayer)

We pray for Nate and Erin Taylor and for Ruby, Lucy and Ollie; Lord of the Harvest, use the fledgling congregation in Glasgow, *Crossbridge Church*, for Your glory: (Silent Prayer)

We pray for those in financial and physical need and for our own discipline and generosity to give joyfully as stewards of God's gifts: (Silent Prayer)

We pray for those yet to be reconciled to God by Christ: (Silent Prayer)

The Declaration of Faith and Offering:

(*We use the declaration of faith and offering to "preach to ourselves" the reason for our hope. The Christian's confidence is in God's truth and in God's care. Because Park Road is a church for both convinced Christians and for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we invite you to use this time and the musical reflection to think, pray, offer and consider what God is doing in your life.)

The Apostles' Creed:*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick * and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church,** the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Response:"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.

^{*}Although not written by the apostles, the *Apostles' Creed* is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated as a baptismal confession, probably in the second century, and developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century. *i.e. "living" ** 'Catholic' means international unlike the Old Testament Church which was a single nation.

9:00 "He Will Hold Me Fast"

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast! I could never keep my hold, through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

> He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. (Chorus)

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast! Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast; Till our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last Chorus (2x) Yes, the world will bow down and say You are God
Every man will bow down and say You are King
So let's start right now why would we wait (We can praise You now in victory)

King of Glory, fill this place We just wanna be with You, just wanna be with You King of Glory, fill this place Just wanna be with You, just wanna be with You

(Repeat from beginning)

So we'll sing "Hallelujah" till You come again And we'll dance in Your presence till You come again

I'll just sing "Hallelujah" till You come again And I'll dance in Your presence till You come again

We will sing Hallelujah till You come again Yes we'll dance in Your presence till You come again

We will sing Hallelujah till You come again
And we'll dance in Your presence, dance in Your presence
Dance in Your presence, dance in Your presence

(Chorus)

King of Glory, fill this place, King of Glory, fill this place. King of Glory, fill this place, King of Healing, fill this place

King of my peace, fill this place. King of my joy, fill this place (You hold the power) King of Power, King of Glory. King of Glory, King of Glory

(I'll) dance in Your presence, dance in Your presence

(Repeat)

Sing Hallelujah, sing Hallelujah (Repeat)

King of Glory, fill this place Just wanna be with You, just wanna be with You

The Scripture Reading: 2nd Kings 18.5, 19-25, 28, 33-36; 19.15-22

(Hezekiah) trusted in the LORD, the God of Israel; so that after him there was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor among those who were before him.

¹⁹ Then Rabshakeh said to them, "Say now to Hezekiah, 'Thus says the great king, the king of Assyria, "What is this confidence that you have?" ²⁰You say (but they are only empty words), 'I have counsel and strength for the war.' Now on whom do you rely, that you have rebelled against me? ²¹" Now behold, you rely on the staff of this crushed reed, even on Egypt; on which if a man leans, it will go into his hand and pierce it. So is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who rely on him. ²²" But if you say to me, 'We trust in the LORD our God,' is it not He whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah has taken away, and has said to Judah and to Jerusalem, 'You shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem'?" ²³Now therefore, come, make a bargain with my master the king of Assyria, and I will give you two thousand horses, if you are able on your part to set riders on them. " ²⁴How then can you repulse one official of the least of my master's servants, and rely on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?" ²⁵Have I now come up without the LORD'S approval against this place to destroy it? The LORD said to me, 'Go up against this land and destroy it."""

²⁸ Then Rabshakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in Judean, saying, "Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria.

³³ Has any one of the gods of the nations delivered his land from the hand of the king of Assyria? ' ³⁴Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena and Ivvah? Have they delivered Samaria from my hand? ' ³⁵Who among all the gods of the lands have delivered their land from my hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem from my hand?" ³⁶But the people were silent and answered him not a word, for the king's commandment was, "Do not answer him." ³⁷Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder, came to Hezekiah with their clothes torn and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

^{19.15}Hezekiah prayed before the LORD and said, "O LORD, the God of Israel, who are enthroned above the cherubim, You are the God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth. ¹⁶ Incline Your ear, O LORD, and hear; open Your eyes, O LORD, and see; and listen to the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to reproach the living God." ¹⁷ Truly, O LORD, the kings of Assyria have devastated the nations and their lands

¹⁸and have cast their gods into the fire, for they were not gods but the work of men's hands, wood and stone. So they have destroyed them. " ¹⁹Now, O LORD our God, I pray, deliver us from his hand that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that You alone, O LORD, are God." ²⁰Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah saying, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'Because you have prayed to Me about Sennacherib king of Assyria, I have heard you.' " ²¹This is the word that the LORD has spoken against him: 'She has despised you and mocked you, the virgin daughter of Zion; she has shaken her head behind you, the daughter of Jerusalem! ²²' Whom have you reproached and blasphemed? And against whom have you raised your voice, and haughtily lifted up your eyes? Against the Holy One of Israel!

Reader: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks Be to God!

The Sermon - T .J. Campo

Hope In Disappointing Times | **Second Kings**"This Confidence"

The Closing Hymn

9:00 "Though Troubles Assail" (all 4 verses)

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11:15 "Arise, O God and Shine"

-Hurn

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might
And prosper each design to spread Thy glorious light
Let healing streams of mercy flow
That all the earth Thy truth may know, Thy truth may know

Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause And govern by Thy righteous laws, Thy righteous laws.

Arise, O God, and shine let Your Kingdom come Arise, O God, and shine Let Your will be done

Send forth Thy glorious pow'r, that Gentiles all may see And earth present her store in converts born to Thee O God, our God, Thy church, O bless And fill the world with righteousness, with righteousness

To God the only wise, the one immortal King Let hallelujahs rise from ev'ry living thing Let all that breathe, on every coast Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and Holy Ghost

(Chorus 2x)

The Benediction and Amen

The Postlude

SUNDAYS at PARK ROAD

SERMON SERIES

Hope In Disappointing Times | Second Kings

How are you feeling about the state of the Modern World? On one hand, there are untold comforts, conveniences, cures and conquests over the things that have long plagued humanity. On the other hand, we feel a bit nervous about these times, anxious about new technologies and how they may be misused. Wars and political uncertainties seem to be brewing. Will there be a next pandemic? This was also the case in ancient Judah and Israel. They were looking for kings, prophets and the temple to protect them but all these eventually disappointed. Still, a ray of hope could always be seen.

Oct. 12	2 nd Kings 18:5, 19-25, 28, 33-36; 19:15-22	This Confidence

19 Isaiah 38:1-8; 39:1-8 Add Fifteen Years to Your Life

26 2nd Kings 21:1-18 Seduced by Forgetfulness

SUNDAY CLASSES | 10:10-11:05 AM

The Reformation | John Stevenson | Fellowship Hall

So much of the Reformation was less about dusty debates and more about one burning question: How can a sinner be made right with a holy God? The Reformers—Jan Hus, Martin Luther, Ulrich Zwingli, and John Calvin—were not inventors of a new faith, but rediscoverers of the old gospel. In a world where the message of grace had been buried beneath layers of ritual, fear, and human authority, they heard again the voice of Scripture: "The just shall live by faith." This class is not merely about their lives; it's about the gospel for which they contended, the truth they proclaimed, and the Christ they exalted.

Junior & High School Sunday Class | Fellowship Hall

For the month of October, junior & high schoolers will join the adults for The Reformation class. They will resume their Old Testament prophet study in November.

Elementary Sunday School (Grades K-5) Fall Session - Rooms #1 & 2 (2nd floor)

For the month of October, the children will join the adults for The Reformation class. They will resume in November learning what it means to truly worship God—both in heart and action. We invite all children in grades K-5 to join Eliyah McNeill, next month, for this meaningful and interactive learning experience.

THIS WEEK AT PARK ROAD PRESBYTERIAN

Welcome to Park Road Pres! We are glad to have you with us today.

9:00, 11:15 AM	Worship Service		
10:15 AM	Sunday Classes		
6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study		
7:30-9:00 PM	Women's In-person Bible Study Contact Alexa @ alexa@parkroadpres.org		
6:30 PM	PRYouth		
6:30-8:30 PM	Women's Online Bible Study Contact Mary Diaz at 954-249-6635		
6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study on John (via Zoom) Contact Nate Dorn at ndorn1@gmail.com		
11:30 AM	SALT Movie: Testament-Season 1, Episodes 7 & 8		
6:30 PM	Cancer Support Group (Library)		
6:30—7:25 PM	Contemporary Worship Team Rehearsal		
7:30 PM	Christmas Choir Rehearsal		
9:15-11:00 AM	Women's In-person Bible Study Contact Grace Sked at Grace@parkroadpres.org		
11:15 AM	Women's Prayer Time via Zoom Contact Mary Diaz at 954-249-6635		
6:30 PM	ESL Classes		
7:00 AM	Church Work Day		
9:00 AM	Worship Team Group Practice		
	10:15 AM 6:30 PM 7:30-9:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30-8:30 PM 6:30 AM 11:30 AM 6:30 PM 6:30—7:25 PM 7:30 PM 9:15-11:00 AM 11:15 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 AM		

S.A.L.T. Movie: Testament, Season 1, Episodes 7 & 8 | Wed., Oct. 15 | 11:30 AM | Library

Join the S.A.L.T. group as they gather on Wednesday, Oct. 15 to watch the movie, *Testament, a* modern retelling of the Book of Acts, focusing on the beginnings of the early Church. Bring your own snack to enjoy.

Cancer Support Group | Wed., Oct. 15 | 6:30-7:30 PM | Library

This peer support group is for anyone affected by cancer. Join us on the third Wednesday of each month from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm to share experiences and offer support, encouragement, and prayer. Any questions contact Joanne Gulum at jgulum007@aol.com

HAPPENINGS at PARK ROAD

Church Work Day | Sat., Oct. 18 | 7:00 AM — 12:00 PM

We are spending the morning beautifying our campus by doing landscaping projects. Come out for all or just part of the morning to lend a hand. Contact Willy Escobar at 954-444-0499 if you have any questions.

Moms Connect | Sat., Oct. 25 | 9:30-11:30 AM | Rec Room

All moms are invited to join Meegan Dorn and Eva Fleming at the church in the Rec Room (2nd floor) for a time of prayer and fellowship. Moms of all different seasons of life are invited and childcare is provided.

Meeting for Parents of Nursery, Toddler, & Preschool-Aged Children | Sun., Oct 26 | 10:00 AM (Sunday school hour) | Library

If you're a parent of little ones—from the nursery through preschool—you're invited to a special conversation with church leadership. We want to hear from you! This is a time to share your experiences, express your needs, and help shape how our church can best support you and your young children. Come enjoy some coffee and pastries while you connect with other young families and offer your insight.

S.A.L.T. (Senior Adults Living Triumphantly) Lunch Bunch | Sun., Oct. 26 | 1:00 PM

Once a month on the last Sunday after the 11:15 AM service the SALT group goes out to lunch! Join them Oct. 26 at Applebee's Grill & Bar located at 10135 Pines Blvd., Pembroke Pines, 33026.

S.A.L.T. Wunderbar German Kitchen & Biergarten | Wed., Oct. 29 | 11:30 AM

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, Oct 29 at 11:30 AM when we gather at a German restaurant for our "Oktoberfest" celebration. You may want to carpool—so call Ginny Catania at 954-630-6738 ahead of time. The restaurant is located at 4995 Volunteer Rd., Davie, 33330. Sign up on the *Keeping in Touch* form if you plan to attend.

S.A.L.T. Meet up at TY Park | Wed. Nov. 5 | 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Bring a snack lunch and a chair for some outdoor fellowship. As you enter TY Park, make a left and look for the SALT group just past the playground on the left side.. Drop in and stay as long as you like.

Harvest Festival | Sat., Nov. 8 | 4-8 PM

Join us at the Harvest Festival, a community outreach event to connect with our neighbors and be witnesses for Jesus Christ. We will need volunteers to make chili, help out with games, face painting, food servers, set-up and tear-down. Sign up on the **Keeping in Touch** form if you would like to volunteer.