### Devotional for Each Day of the Week

<u>Sunday:</u> "And at evening they return, They growl like a dog, And go all around the city. They wander up and down for food, And howl if they are not satisfied."—Psalm 59:14-15. **Praise God** for being Master over the prowling dogs. **Pray** for our brothers and sisters in the Middle East, including Pastor Andrew Brunson in Turkey, who are being persecuted for their faith.

**Monday:** "But the Lord is faithful, who will establish you and guard you from the evil one."—II Thessalonians 3:3. **Pra**y that this week would find you recognizing God's faithfulness in establishing you in the faith, and guarding you from falling into sin. **Pray** that the church would be faithful to the Word of God. **Pray** for various RPCNA members, including Dr. Jonathan Watt, Dr. Donald Cassell, and Pastor Rich Johnston, as they complete their ministry this week in the very poor African nation of Liberia; **pray** for the United Liberian Inland Church and the Liberia International Christian College in Ganta.

<u>Tuesday</u>: "And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, both that you do and will do the things we command you."—II Thessalonians 3:4. **Pray** that you would increasingly do the will of God in your life. **Pray** for the RPCNA Synod as it meets today through Friday; **pray especially** for just judgments in the judicial appeal and the complaint that will be heard.

<u>Wednesday</u>: "Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ."—II Thessalonians 3:5. **Pray** that your heart, and the hearts of the beloved around you, would be marked by Christian love and patience. **Pray** for those who need jobs.

<u>Thursday</u>: "But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us."—II Thessalonians 3:6. **Pray** for the church to be faithful in disciplining any church members and officers who refuse to submit to the Word of Christ. **Pray** that Jesus would raise up more pastors, elders, and teachers in our branch of the church.

<u>Friday</u>: "For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you."—II Thessalonians 3:7. **Pray** for the Christian leaders over you, that they would walk in faithfulness to Christ always, to set a good example for you.

<u>Saturday</u>: "Nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you."—II Thessalonians 3:8. **Pray** that God would develop in you a servants' spirit out of love for others. **Pray** also that God would bring His elect to church tomorrow, fulfill their salvation, and increase their (and your) maturity in the faith. **Pray** for the Laramie (Wyo.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, as it transitions tomorrow to a new meeting place (a library) for worship, and another location (a civic center) for evening classes and fellowship meals.

# Atlanta Presbyterian Fellowship

The Lord's Day June 24, 2018

Meeting every week at
472-B Paines Avenue NW
Atlanta, Georgia
Worship at 10:45 AM and 5:30 PM
Sunday School at 4:45 PM

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Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship I Corinthians 15:19-22

\*The Invocation

\*Psalm 100A "All People that on Earth Do Dwell"

Scripture Reading (p. 417) Isaiah 53

Pastoral Prayer

\*Psalm 23B "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Scripture Text (p. 625) John 19:23-37

The Sermon "The Death of Jesus"

\*Prayer

\*Psalm 48B "In Our God's City We Have Seen"

\*Benediction

\*Psalm 72C [stanzas 11-12] "Now Blessed Be Our God Alone" \*Congregation will please stand.

Today, our worship service is also a memorial service, as we remember William Fielding McCoy, who passed away on June 8, 2018.



William McCoy (center), on the occasion of his baptism, February 18, 2018

John 19:28-37 "The Death of Jesus"

Theme: Jesus fulfills Scripture in His death.

### I. His Thirst

- A. he "complained" about thirst in order to fulfill Scripture
- B. how does this fulfill the Word of God?
  - 1. His tongue would cleave to His jaws (Psalm 22:15)
  - 2. He would have vinegar given to drink (Psalm 69:21)

## II. His Strength

- A. He is given the strength to cry, "It is finished!"
- B. not one of His bones was broken

#### III. His Death

- A. He voluntarily yielded up the ghost
  - 1. He died more quickly than normally would be the case
  - 2. this shows that He offered Himself as a sacrifice for sin
- B. His bones were not broken
  - 1. He is the totally righteous One (Psalm 34:20)
  - 2. He is the Passover lamb (Numbers 9:12)
- C. the piercing of His side
  - 1. fulfillment of Scripture: Zechariah 12:10; 13:6
  - 2. a guarantee that He was dead
- D. the flowing of blood and water
  - 1. blood—the cleansing necessary for forgiveness
  - 2. water—the cleansing necessary for sanctification
- E. the confirmation of these things

## Observation and Application

- A. a very real sense in which we participated in Christ's crucifixion
  - 1. it was for our sins that He died
  - 2. He will forever bear those wounds for us
- B. "it is finished" is the key