

brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be a time for you to bear testimony. Settle it therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and siblings, and kinspeople and friends, and some of you they will put to death; you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

“But take heed to yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a snare; for it will come upon all who dwell upon the face of the whole earth. But watch at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of man.”

L: This is the word of the Lord; **P: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “The End Times: Creation, Not Destruction” Rev. Frank Wyche

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal

\*HYMN *I'll Fly Away* #779

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debts/debtors...)

\*HYMN *Eternal Father, Strong To Save* #808

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Our Fathers' God to Thee* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

\*Those who are able may stand.

**BOLDFACE TYPE** indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

## JESUS PREDICTS THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TEMPLE



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11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Come Into His Presence with Thanksgiving* Chancel Choir

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP ~ Psalm 98: 1-9**

L: O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

**P: The LORD has made known his victory, he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.**

L: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

**P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

L: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

**P: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!**

L: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

**P: God will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.**

**\*UNISON OPENING PRAYER ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship***

**Almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – you sent the Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit, living in love, joy, and peace, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*How Great Thou Art*

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**RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION ~ Psalm 32: 3-5**

L: When I did not declare my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long, for day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

**P: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD”; then you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION** from *When We Gather* by Rev. James G. Kirk

**God of righteousness and truth, forgive us when we fail to see ourselves or others clearly. We are misled by arrogance as we boast to ourselves of our goodness. We look with disdain on those less fortunate, while ignoring the poverty of our own souls. Claiming to be among the virtuous and morally upright, we show preference to those whose gifts and strengths are similar to our own, and we condemn those who think**

**differently from us. As individuals and as a nation, we test your patience. Yet in Christ, you love us still. Forgive our pride, and give us clear vision to see ourselves as sinners in need of your mercy and grace, and to see others as our brothers and sisters for whom Christ died. (Silent prayer and personal confession)**

**RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ 1 Timothy 1:15a-b; 1 Peter 2:24**

L: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

**P: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin, and live to righteousness. By his wounds [we] have been healed.**

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

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ANTHEM

*Guide My Feet*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Isaiah 65: 17-19, 24-25 ~ Pages 644-645 in the pew Bible

[The Lord GOD says,] “Behold, I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem as a rejoicing, and her people as a joy. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in her the sound of weeping or the cry of distress.

“They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their children with them. Before they call I will answer, while they are still speaking I will have heard. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent’s food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, says the LORD.”

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 21: 5-19, 25-28, 34-36 ~ pages 915-916 in the pew Bible

And as some spoke of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he [Jesus] said, “As for these things which you see, the days will come when there shall not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” And they [his disciples] asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign when this is about to take place?” And he said, “Take heed that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not follow them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified; for this must first take place, but the end will not be at once.” Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and dread diseases; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be