

*****NAME TAGS, PLEASE *****

50+ Sunday Class

All Saints Presbyterian Church
Austin, TX

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***** Sit UP FRONT & TOGETHER, PLEASE**

Because You Asked . . .
Your Questions & Topics

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Winter 2024

Taught by Rev. Craig Chapman

50+ Schedule – Winter-Spring

Songs of Praise

Prayer

“Because You Asked”

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February

- Fri, 2/9 – **Dinners for 9+** – 6:30-9:30 PM in Homes.
Registration **Deadline**: Wed, 1/31. See Lida.

March

- **Postponed Until October 2024**—
Mon, 3/25 – Geo. H.W. Bush Library. Tour & Lunch.

April

- Mon-Tue, 4/22-23 – **Annual Retreat** – at the *TexasRetreat.com*
Guest Speaker: Dr. Craig R. Higgins.

May

- Wed, 5/8 – **Bat Boat Cruise** – *lonestarriverboat.com* @
Congress Ave Bridge. 5 PM dinner. 7-8:45 PM cruise.

Because You Asked – 1/28/24

Exodus 15:2

*The LORD is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.*

*He is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.*

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Pass me not, O gentle Savior; hear my humble cry.
While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

(Refrain)

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry.

While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

Let me at a throne of mercy find a sweet relief.

Kneeling there in deep contrition, help my unbelief.

(Refrain)

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Trusting only in Thy merit, would I seek Thy face.
Heal my wounded, broken spirit; save me by Thy grace.

(Refrain)

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry.

While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

Thou the Spring of all my comfort, more than life to me.

Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Whom in heav'n but Thee?

(Refrain)

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- 9/10 – *Because You Asked #17* – “...he descended into hell.”
- 9/17 – *Because You Asked #18* – How saved? Abrahamic Faith.
- 9/24 – *Because You Asked #19* – Ditto. Yahweh v. Allah.

- 10/1 – *Because You Asked #20* – Heaven & Dogs.
- 10/8 – *Because You Asked #21* – Heaven II
- 10/15 – Guest Teacher: Dr. Bill Walker, Dir. of Hill House at UT
- 10/22 – *Because You Asked #23* – Heaven III & Rewards
- 10/29 – *Because You Asked #24* – Assurance of Salvation

- 11/5 – *Because You Asked #25* – Nature of Jesus. Trinity.
- 11/12 – *Because You Asked #26* – Jesus’ Family. Original Sin.
- 11/19 – Guest Teacher: Rev. Michael Barber. Early Christianity.
- 11/26 – *Because You Asked #27* – Original Sin 2.

- 1/7 – *Because You Asked #28* – Meaning of the Cross.
- 1/14 – *Because You Asked #29* – Meaning of Theology Terms.
- 1/21 – *Because You Asked #30* – Theology Terms II. Eucharist I.
- 1/28 – *Because You Asked #31* – Eucharist Distribution.

- 2/4 – *Because You Asked #31* –
- 2/11 – Guest Teacher – Dr. Bo White
- 2/18 – *Because You Asked #32* –
- 2/25 – *Because You Asked #33* –

- 3/3 – *Because You Asked #34* –
- 3/10 – *Because You Asked #35* –
- 3/17 – *Because You Asked #36* –
- 3/24 – *Because You Asked #37* –
- 3/31 – Easter – No Class

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Distinguish:

- **Consecration** of the Eucharist
- **Distribution** of the Eucharist

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- **Consecration** of the Eucharist
 - Restricted to Ordained Pastor
 - *In Persona Christi* - “*This is my body... This is my blood...*”
 - Sacramental Portrayal, Imagery, Authority
 - 1 Timothy 2:12 – “*I do not permit a woman...to exercise authority over a man....*”
 - Given to men because of what male bodies possess

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist
 - Celebrant (*Pastor-In Persona Christi*) ...
 - □ Recipient (*Pastor-Priest*) ...
 - □ Distributes (to Leader-Servants) ...
 - □ Distribute (to Follower-Disciples) ...

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Proverbs 26:4-5

*⁴ Answer not a fool according to his folly,
lest you be like him yourself.*

*⁵ Answer a fool according to his folly,
lest he be wise in his own eyes.*

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- Wisdom is right knowledge applied rightly to the situation
 - In part, the situation dictates wisdom
 - Some issues are not moral or sin issues, they're wisdom issues where the Bible allows for latitude
- This is the answer to Q30—Distribution is a wisdom issue

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist
 - Sacramentally, any Christian can distribute consecrated elements (e.g., child to adult; woman to man; etc.)
 - A discretionary decision made by our Session, rooted in important theological principles of leadership
 - Hierarchy of elected elders and diaconate serving laity.

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist
 - Reflects Biblical teaching on leadership, who's responsible for spiritual well-being and given authority in the church
 - Seeks to emphasize how we conceive of leadership in the church
 - Our practice of coming forward is an opportunity to identify those entrusted with spiritual leadership to lead and serve visibly and regularly

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist
 - Our practice of coming forward for Communion is a regular, visible opportunity to identify those who are entrusted spiritually to lead, care for, and serve the church
 - Regularly, publicly confirms those who are known, trusted leaders & authorized by the church (voted on by congregation)

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- **Distribution** of the Eucharist
 - Reminds our congregation of those to whom we can approach for spiritual direction, encouragement, counsel
- Your conscience should not be bothered by different means of distribution at other churches

Next Class on 2/4/24

Prayer

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