



8:30 & 9:45 Services
 Sunday, April 26, 2020

Alf Halvorson preaching
 Matthew 28:16-20

Welcome / Announcements		Dave Steane
Call to Worship		Anthony Lane
Songs of Praise	<i>Found in You</i>	Baloche/Rozier
	<i>This is Amazing Grace</i>	Phil Wickham
Prayer of Confession & Assurance		8:30 Sarah Adams 9:45 Caroline Harper
Youth Sunday Song		MDPC Youth
Song of Response	<i>Who You Say I Am</i>	Fielding/Morgan
Moment of Prayer		Kelly Quarando
Song of Preparation	<i>Burn the Ships</i>	J. Smallbone/L.Smallbone
Senior Sermons		8:30 • Audrey Crawford & Ally Reichel 9:45 • Elise Bounds, Gabby Adair, & Isabella Waltz
Message	<i>As You Go, Disciple Everybody</i>	Alf Halvorson Matthew 28:16-20
Senior Slideshow		
The Apostles' Creed		Alf Halvorson
Sharing Our Gifts		Alf Halvorson



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11:15 Service Alf Halvorson preaching
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Prelude *Hallelujah* Cohen/arr. White

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Call to Worship Anthony Lane

Hymns of Praise *O Worship the King* LYONS

***Prayer of Confession and Assurance** Robby Eckert

Anthem *Amazing Grace* arr. Jack Schrader (b. 1942)

Pastoral Prayer Kelly Quarando

Anthem of Preparation *Burn the Ships* Smallbone/arr. White

Senior Sermons 11:15 • McKennon Denny & Sophie Rustam

Message *As You Go, Disciple Everybody* Alf Halvorson
Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn of Response *How Great Thou Art* O STORE GUD

The Apostles' Creed Alf Halvorson

Sharing Our Gifts Alf Halvorson

Postlude *Youth Sunday Song* **MDPC** Youth



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On Youth Sunday, when we have several of our MDPC Seniors offering witnesses or testimonies, I will offer a shorter message (homily) on Matt. 28:16-20. Rachel and I talked about this passage on Church in the City Sunday, 02/23/20, but it seems nearly inexhaustible to me.

The Apostle Paul is usually the one in the New Testament who likes to repeat and cascade the same word or combination of words to make his point. However, here at the end of the Gospel of Matthew, it is Matthew, the former tax collector, and Jesus who does just that using the word “all.” Let’s explore what that might mean for us today.

1. Read Matthew 28:16-20. Look for every instance of the word, “all.” Depending on which translation or paraphrase you use, two should emerge explicitly (in verses 18, 19), but there are three more implicitly in English. It is easier to see all five in the Greek.

a. Here is how Dale Bruner in his commentary on the Gospel of Matthew translates the Greek: “All authority, in heaven and on earth, has been given to me: So you disciples move out & disciple all nations; baptizing them into the Name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit (all of God); teaching them to keep all that I have commanded you. And look! I myself am right there with you all the days, right into the consummation of the ages.” (28:18-20)

2. When you see the text with these five “all’s” there, how does it read differently to you? What, in your mind, is the significance of this combination of “all’s?”

3. Look at each one individually:

a. “All authority....”

b. “All nations....”

c. “All of God....”

d. “All that I have commanded you....”

e. “I am with you, all the days....”

What are the promises (in a. and e.) and challenges (in b., c., and d.) contained in those phrases?

4. Which phrases are most needed right now under COVID-19? And how might we adapt during Coronavirus to accomplish Christ’s Great Commission?

5. What is your specific role? Is there a new commitment to take on or attitude to embrace? Is there anything you need to repent of, or stop doing, believing, or thinking?

