



Sunday, September 29, 2024

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

“What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.” But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

- Highland, A Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved -

Greeters: Connie & Dennis Jeff, Sara Woodbury & Bob Ganse, Linda Keener, Denny Davish

Ushers: Michel Gibeault, Nancy Holtzapple, Rachel Reist, Sara Shank, Joyce Shaffer

The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:

Jane Hartin, in loving memory of her grandmother Elizabeth Jones

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Prelude

"Seen, Known, Loved"

Ignite Worship Team

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.
At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.*

Peace and Global Witness Offering Video

*Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: Gather us in, Lord, and hear our prayers.

People: We have come to this place in need for healing and hope.

Leader: Gather us in, Lord, and heal our brokenness.

People: We come here seeking guidance and strength.

Leader: Gather us in, Lord, and open our hearts to receive your word.

People: So that we can follow you faithfully.

*Opening Hymn #457

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

At this time, children 5th grade and under are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex. Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Gracious God, we hate to admit it, but sometimes we are the ones that pass by the hurting and the suffering. We cross the road when we see human need rather than help. God of love, give us a deep love for you, so that we can see the world as you see it, feel the compassion you feel, and be a people whose lives reflect your love to others. Make us like the Good Samaritan, always ready to show mercy and to serve you with grace. Amen

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Amen. Friends believe the good news of the Gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Reception of New Members

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Message

"Seeds and Sprouts: A New Season for Mission"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Linda Brackbill

Offertory

"I Will Go Out With Joy"

by Dale Grotenhuis

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn

"Seen, Known, Loved"

* Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST

A/V: KEN OSBORNE, MARK ANDERSON

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