

June 23, 2024 10:30 AM

# **Approaching God in Praise and Prayer**

+All who are able may stand

As you enter this holy space and sacred time, please quiet your mind, meditate on the Scriptures, and pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare you to worship the Living God.

**PRELUDE** 

Clair de Lune

Claude Debussy Suzanne Shick, piano

WELCOME The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

CALL TO WORSHIP

Joshua 24:15

Leader: Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve,

but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

People: God is good, and we will serve the Lord!

Leader: Though the mountains tremble and the earth shakes

People: God is our rock, and we will serve the Lord!

Leader: Though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death

People: God rules over life and death, we will serve the Lord!

All: As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord!

+ HYMN 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you who summon us to serve, forgive us when we bury the treasure you have bestowed. Remind us to share abundantly with humble and contrite hearts. We hang our heads and weep for others, yet we don't lift a finger to help. Forgive our empty repentance and let your Spirit revive our nerve. Empower us to be true citizens of your kingdom and worthy stewards of all you provide. Amen.

#### + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

### + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 581 Gloria Patri GREATOREX

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. Amen.

### + PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

As the congregation shares personal greetings, children 5th grade and younger will meet their Sunday School leaders at the back of Sanctuary. Youth 6th grade and older will gather in the Youth Room.

# Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY Middlebury arr. Dale Wood

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 606 Praise God

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# **Receiving God's Word**

ANTHEM

Worthy to Be Praised

Byron J. Smith
Chancel Choir
Malachi Marshall, soloist

Calieanne Grossheim, guest conductor

THE WORD READ Matthew 25:14-30 (pg. NT 39) Joan Osborne, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Answering the Call of Kingdom Stewardship"

The Rev. Dr. Nate Landis Urban Youth Collaborative

# Responding to God's Word

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 Peter 4:8-11

LEADER: As stewards of God's kingdom, we commit to the teachings of scripture which implore us:

ALL: Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

### + CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Now in Peace

Don Besig

**POSTLUDE** 

Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young

The flowers in worship today are given by Roger and Diana Van Duzer in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.



The Deacon of the Day, Judy Walters, can be found at the Welcome Table after service. If you desire prayer, prayer ministers are available after worship. Please inquire at the Welcome Table.

Next week, June 30th, will be a 5th Sunday, and as is our tradition the offering on that day will benefit the Deacons Benevolence Fund.

This service is being livestreamed.

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## **SERMON NOTES**

June 23, 2024

"Answering the Call of Kingdom Stewardship"

The Rev. Dr. Nate Landis

Matthew 25:14-30 NRSV


### Worthy to Be Praised

Holy, holy, holy.

Praise our God almighty, worthy and holy,

Lord eternally.

Praise the Lord in the highest, praise His holy name.

Let all things that haveth a breath just praise the Lord.

I believe in the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

I will sing, I will shout,

He's worthy to be praised, to be praised.

We have come into the house of the Lord,
to praise His holy name,
to give glory, honor and adore
His Son whose life He gave.
Let the trumpets sound, let the rocks resound,
our sinful souls He saved.
I will sing, I will shout,
He's worthy to be praised, to be praised.

Raise your voices high and sing to the Lord,
He's worthy to be praised.

Shout hosanna high to God for His everlasting grace.
Let the trumpets sound, let the rocks resound,
our grateful voices raise!
I will sing, I will shout,
He's worthy to be praised, to be praised.

Join all and sing hosanna
(Praise ye, oh, praise the Lord)
Oh, let every voice sing out that He's worthy,
worthy to be praised

He's worthy to be praised, to be praised.

Sing and shout hosanna, praise His holy name.

Let's all praise Him in the highest,

let's all praise the Lord.

Worthy, He is worthy, my God is worthy.

I believe in the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

I will sing, I will shout,

He's worthy to be praised, to be praised!!

### Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace.

Never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Amen