

Traditional Service

8:30 am

Prelude

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout
(Composer: Cooney/Hayes)

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing #521

Responsive Reading

Psalm 63:1-4

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

We confess, O God, that we fall into the trap of a divided heart. There is so much in the world that is attractive, and so many people and things that require of us our allegiance. We find ourselves torn in too many directions. Forgive us for limiting the Lordship of Christ and keeping him at the periphery of life. Help us to seek first your kingdom, and its righteousness, trusting that any other gift is merely an addition; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response

Glory be to the Father #961

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

Anthem

Now Heav'n in Fullest Glory Shone

(From the Creation by Joseph Haydn)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:19-34

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

What do you worry about?
The Way of Jesus: Living out the Sermon on the Mount

Musical Reflection

The Beatitudes

(Composer: Albert Hay Malotte)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

O God Beyond All Praising #557

Benediction

Postlude

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

(Composer: Bradbury/Robertson)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Sermon
Worship Leader (10:00)
Praise Music
Scripture Reader

Prayers of the People

Organist (8:30)
Soloist (8:30)

Rev. Spencer Lundgaard
Luke Stoner
Village Church Worship Band
Paul Nelson (8:30)
Elaine Holmquist (10:00)
Bill McDowell (8:30)
Greg Dill (10:00)
Sharon Peterson
Zachary Mendenhall

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Contemporary Service

10:00 am

Questions for Discussion

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Alive & Breathing

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

Prayer of Confession

Lamb

Passing the Peace

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:19-34

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

Jireh

Blessing

Opening Discussion:

How would you define prayer? What is the essence of prayer?

Read: Matthew 6:19-34

Digging Deeper:

1. What reason does Jesus give for not storing up treasures on earth? What are "treasures of heaven" and how does one store them? (v.19-20)
2. What does Jesus mean when he said, "Where your treasure is, your heart will be also?" What is an example of this? (v.21)
3. How does Jesus use the eye as a metaphor? How does it relate to treasures on earth and in heaven? (v. 22-23)
4. According to Jesus, why can't a person love both God and wealth? What other "masters" can people have in their lives other than wealth? (v.24)
5. What reason does Jesus give for not worrying about our lives, food, drink, or clothing? (v. 25-31) Why do people worry about these things? What other things do people worry about?
6. What reasons does Jesus give in v. 33 for NOT striving after things in the world? What should we strive after instead? (v.32-33)
7. What is the final reason for not worrying about tomorrow? Why is this good advice? Why is it challenging? (v.34)

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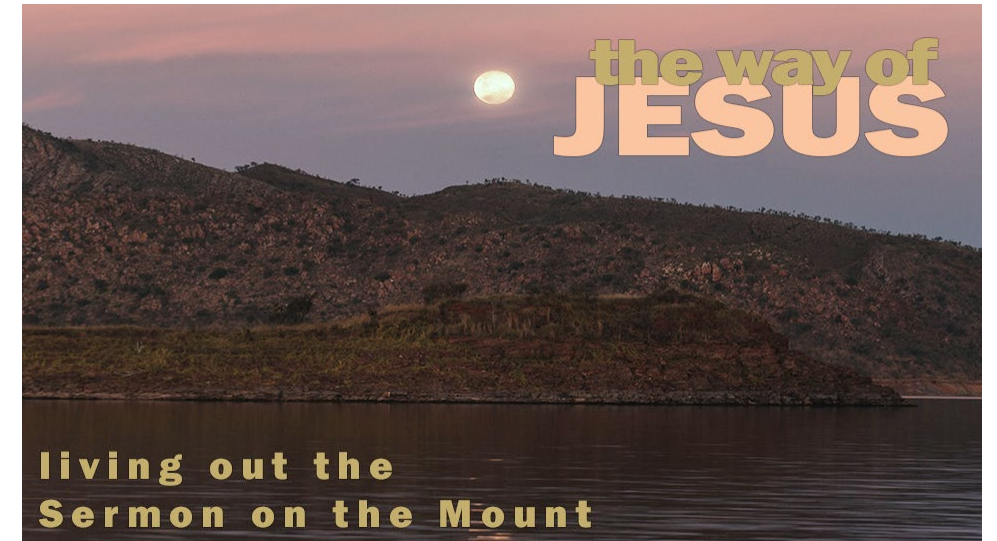


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