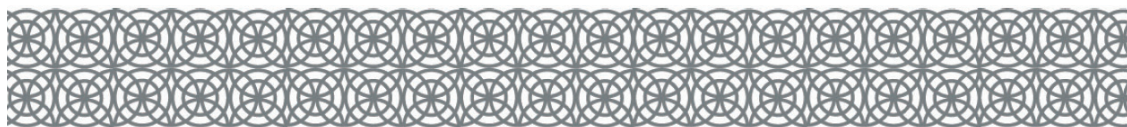


SUNDAY EVENING

Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Lord's Day Vespers

EVENING WORSHIP AT 6:00 P.M.

EVENING VESPER MEDITATION

Almighty God, we give You thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of vesper light; and we implore You in Your great mercy that, as You enfold us with the radiance of Your light, so You would shine into our hearts the brightness of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by Your brightness we may know You to be the true God and Eternal Light, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 75:1

Give thanks to the Lord, our God;
Give thanks, for He is near.
Recount His wondrous deeds.

Hymn

Oh, Give Thanks!

(see page 7)

Evening Prayer

Congregational Prayer of Confession

Adapted from *John Calvin*

Lord God, Eternal and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge without pretense before Your holy majesty, that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption;

prone to do what is evil, incapable of any good;

and that in our depravity, we endlessly transgress Your holy commandments.

And so, in Your just judgement, we deserve ruin and damnation.

But Lord, we are displeased with ourselves for having offended You,

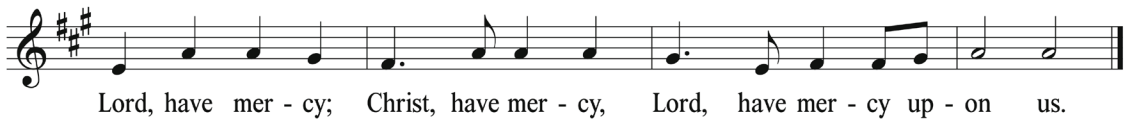
and we condemn ourselves and our vices with true repentance, longing for Your grace to relieve our distress.

May You, therefore, have mercy upon us, most gentle and merciful God and Father, in the name of Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

And as You blot out our vices and blemishes, extend and increase the graces of Your Holy Spirit to us day by day, so that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our hearts, we might feel the sorrow that gives birth to true penitence,
which as we mortify our sins may produce fruits of righteousness and innocence pleasing to You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Response

Lord Have Mercy



Psalm Reading

Psalm 6 (select verses)

O LORD, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath.
Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing; heal me, O LORD,
for my bones are troubled.

My soul also is greatly troubled.

But You, O LORD—how long? Turn, O LORD, deliver my life;
save me for the sake of Your steadfast love.

I am weary with my moaning;

every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping.

My eye wastes away because of grief;

it grows weak because of all my foes.

Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.

The LORD has heard my plea; the LORD accepts my prayer.

At the last stanza children are dismissed to attend their classes.

Evening Scripture Lesson

Luke 10:25-37
pew Bible, page 1105

And behold, a lawyer stood up to put Him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” And he answered, “You shall 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 your neighbor as yourself.” And He said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

Homily**THE GOOD SAMARITAN**

Mr. Howell

The Parables of Jesus, Part V

Luke 10:25-37

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A sermon outline can be found on page 6.

Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to and the Fencing of the Table

Who should come to the Lord's table? Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life, and who are members in good standing of an evangelical church. (from the Heidelberg Catechism)

Hymn of Preparation

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)

(see page 9)

Confession of Our Faith

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from Heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into Heaven; And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead; And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Humble Access

Words of Institution

Serving of the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(see page 10)

Benediction

Congregational Response

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

**We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.**



THE GOOD SAMARITAN
The Parables of Jesus, Part V
Luke 10:25-37

I. THE PROBLEM OF ETERNAL INHERITANCE: VV. 25-29

A. Question: v. 25

B. Counterquestion: v. 26

C. Answer: v. 27

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II. THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN: VV. 30-37

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B. Three Responses to Victim: vv. 31-35

C. Single Clarifying Question: vv. 36-37

Oh, Give Thanks!

Words and Music by Wendell Kimbroug
Based on Psalm 107



We were wan - d'ring in the des - ert — with our souls so starved and weak;
We were locked out of the gar - den and our backs bent down with pain;
We were fools in our re - bel - lion with our hun - ger strike of pride;
We were far out on the o - cean, mak - ing wealth and chas - ing dreams,



we were hun - gry for a home - land we did not know how to seek;
in the sha - dow of death's dark - ness we were slaves to sin and blame,
we were sick and grow - ing clos - er to the death we should have died;
but the waves of great de - struc - tion brought us trem - bling to our knees;



but we lift - ed up our voic - es to the on - ly One Who hears,
then we cried out in our la - bor to the on - ly One Who hears,
then He heard of our con - di - tion and He called us by our names,
and we cried like drunk - en sail - ors to the on - ly One Who hears,



and the God of mer - cy came — and brought us near. *go to verse 2*
and the God of mer - cy wiped — a - way our tears.
and the God of glo - ry took — a - way our shame.
and the God of com - fort took — a - way our fears.



Oh, give thanks to the Lord for His love — en - dures for - ev - er!



We were wan - der - ing and lost, and our Fa - ther brought us home



to a safe dwell - ing place, to a feast of joy and laugh - ter.



Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Word - Fanny Crosby
Music - W. Howard Doane



Pass me not, O gent - le Sav - ior, Hear my hum - ble cry;
Let me at Thy throne of mer - cy Find a sweet re - lief,
Trust - ing on - ly in Thy mer - it, Would I seek Thy face;
Thou the Spring of all my com - fort, More than life to me,



While on oth - ers Thou art call - ing, Do not pass me by.
Kneel - ing there in deep con - tri - tion; Help my un - be - lief.
Heal my wound - ed, brok - en spir - it, Save me by Thy grace.
Whom have I on earth be - side Thee? Whom in heav'n but Thee?



Sav - ior, Sav - ior, Hear my hum - ble cry; _____



While on oth - ers Thou art call - ing, Do not pass me by.

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)

Jordan Kauflin & Matt Merker



1. Are you wear - y, heav - y la - den? Come and lay your bur - dens down;
(2. Are you) hope - less, are you guilt - y? Caught in shame for all your sin?
(3. Are you) wait - ing in your sor - rows For this bro - ken world' to heal?



Je - sus calls you, Je - sus draws you; rest in Him.
He pur - sues you to for - give you; rest in Him.
He is com - ing, soon re - turn - ing; rest in Him.



He is gen - tle, He is low - ly, He de - lights to bring us peace;
He has paid for ev - 'ry fail - ure, Mer - cy flows in end - less streams;
We will see Him, we will know Him, O what heights of grace re - vealed;



Ten - der Shep - herd, might - y Sa - vior: rest in Him.
Come and fol - low, free - dom calls you: rest in Him.
3a. From his kind - ness ev - 'ry prom - ise then ful - filled; *3rd verse, add line 3b before going to chorus*
3b. Trust in Je - sus, He will keep us to the end.

Chorus



How sure his com - pas - sion for us! Oh how deep is his



love; So come, come to Je - sus and rest in Him.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Refrain



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things we will say to - ge - ther.

Verse



We will feast and weep no more. 1.We will not be
2.In the dark of
3.Ev - ery vow we've



burned by the fire. He is the Lord our God. We are not con -
night be - fore the dawn. My soul be not a - fraid; for the pro - mised
bro - ken and be - trayed. You are the faith - ful One. and_ from the



sumed by the flood. Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up.
morn - ing, O how long. O God of Ja - cob be_ my strength.
gar - den to the grave. Bind us to - ge - ther bring sha - lom.

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We are honored to have you as our guest today. Please complete the information on our Friendship Register (by scanning the QR code) so that we may respond properly to your visit.

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*



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