July 31, 2022

Greeting

Rev. David Petty

Prelude

God Will Take Care of You Laurie Gabriel ~ voice & cello

*Call to Worship

Lori Thom

Leader: Loving God-Loving our Neighbor-Loving Ourselves

People: Forgiveness is like a Holy Hug from God.

Leader: We let go of things that no longer serve us

People: Letting go-Letting God- Living in Peace.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Gathering Song

O God, Our Help in Ages Past v. 1, 3, 4, 6 UMH #117

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1719 (Ps. 90)

- 1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!
- 3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.
- 4. A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.
- 6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come; be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

Mystery Box

Invitation to Prayer

Rev. David Petty

Prayer Song

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

v. 1 UMH #381

WORDS: Attr. to Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1836 (Jn. 10:1-29)

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

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 trespasses, as we forgive those to trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever.

Prayer Response

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

v. 3 UMH #381

WORDS: Attr. to Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1836 (Jn. 10:1-29)

3. Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.

Invitation to Offering

Lori Thom

Offertory

Simple Gifts
Arr. Mark Hayes
Deborah DeLaney ~ vocal,
Stephanie Shorden ~ piano

Prayer of Thanks & Dedication

Rev. David Petty

*Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Reading

Luke 12:13-21 Lori Thom Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: May the words of my mouth,

People: and the meditations of all of our hearts

All: be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our rock and our redeemer.

Psalm 19:14

Message

Story or Store-y: What are we really collecting? Rev. David Petty

*Affirmation of Faith

A COMPANION LITANY TO OUR SOCIAL CREED

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

Leader: God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ, calls us by grace

People: to be renewed in the image of our Creator, that we may be one in divine love for the world.

Leader: Today is the day God cares for the integrity of creation, wills the healing and wholeness of all life, weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

People: And so shall we.

Leader: Today is the day God embraces all hues of humanity, delights in diversity and difference, favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends.

People: And so shall we.

Leader: Today is the day God cries with the masses of starving people, despises growing disparity between rich and poor, demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

People: And so shall we.

Leader: Today is the day God deplores violence in our homes and streets, rebukes the world's warring madness, humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

People: And so shall we.

Leader: Today is the day God calls for nations and peoples to live in peace, celebrates where justice and mercy embrace, exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

People: And so shall we.

All: Today is the day God brings good news to the poor, proclaims release to the captives, gives sight to the blind, and sets the oppressed free. And so shall we.

*Sending Hymn

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

UMH #462

WORDS: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word; just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Refrain

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood; and in simple faith to plunge me neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Refrain

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease; just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

Refrain

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, friend; and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Refrain

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

Announcements

Silver Key, Father's Favorites Cookbook, Keenagers, UMW Dinner

Benediction

Rev. David Petty

<u>Postlude</u>

Stephanie Shorden

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