

WORSHIP HANDOUT

Sunday July 31st

Series: What's Luke got to do with it?



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Song of Welcome: Open Doors, by Chris McManus

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: So many things draw us away from God.

P: We are tempted by trinkets and gadgets.

L: We place our interest in temporal things.

P: But Christ calls us to a higher level.

L: We are called to focus our lives on living as God would have us live.

P: We are called to be open to ways of service and compassion. AMEN.

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*Opening Hymn: W&S 3040 You Are My All in All

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

Generous God,

in abundance you give us things both spiritual and physical.

Help us to hold lightly the fading things of this earth

and grasp tightly the lasting things of your kingdom,

so that what we are and do and say

may be our gifts to you

through Christ, who beckons all to seek the things above,
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Divinity Library. <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>

PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER TFWS 2233 Where Children Belong

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

UMH 592 When the Church of Jesus

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

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

*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,
giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives.

LESSON 1

Psalm 49:1-12 CEB

Listen to this, all you people!

Listen closely, all you citizens of the world—

² **people of every kind,
rich and poor alike!**

³ **My mouth speaks wisdom;
my heart's meditation is full of insight.**

⁴ **I will pay close attention to a proverb;
I will explain my riddle on the lyre.**

⁵ **Why should I be afraid in times of trouble,
when the wrongdoing of my bullies engulfs me—**

⁶ **those people who trust in their fortunes
and boast of their fantastic wealth?**

⁷ **Wealth? It can't save a single person!
It can't pay a life's ransom-price to God.**

⁸ **The price to save someone's life is too high—
wealth will never be enough—**

⁹ **no one can live forever
without experiencing the pit.**

**Everyone knows that the wise die too,
just like foolish and stupid people do,
all of them leaving their fortunes to others.**

¹¹ **Their graves are their eternal homes,
the place they live for all generations,
even if they had counties named after them!**

¹² **People won't live any longer because of wealth;
they're just like the animals that pass away.**

May God add a blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2

Luke 12:13-21 CEB

¹³ Someone from the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

¹⁴ Jesus said to him, “Man, who appointed me as judge or referee between you and your brother?”

¹⁵ Then Jesus said to them, “Watch out! Guard yourself against all kinds of greed. After all, one’s life isn’t determined by one’s possessions, even when someone is very wealthy.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “A certain rich man’s land produced a bountiful crop. ¹⁷ He said to himself, What will I do? I have no place to store my harvest! ¹⁸ Then he thought, Here’s what I’ll do. I’ll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. That’s where I’ll store all my grain and goods. ¹⁹ I’ll say to myself, You have stored up plenty of goods, enough for several years. Take it easy! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself. ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘Fool, tonight you will die. Now who will get the things you have prepared for yourself?’ ²¹ This is the way it will be for those who hoard things for themselves and aren’t rich toward God.”

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE The Gospel that wants to get it right

HYMN Come Like a Fire

BENEDICTION UMH 666 Shalom

POSTLUDE