

WORSHIP HANDOUT
Sunday October 23rd
Series: Lessons from Parenting



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANDBELL PRELUDE “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” McChesney

SONG OF WELCOME Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We can trust God.

God is like the mountain: rock solid.

God loves all the people:

the poor, the disabled, the outcast, the stranger.

We can depend on God.

**God feeds the hungry, heals the sick,
and restores relationships.**

Praise our Loving God.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

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ANTHEM: “His Love Is All Around” Roger C. Wilson

OPENING PRAYER

Lord our God,

you yourself remind us through your holy people
that all our religious practices are not worth anything
if we use them to bend you our way.

God, may we come to you
in humility and repentance,
ready to encounter you in love
and to turn your way.
Accept us as your sons and daughters,
together with Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord forever.

~ from the **Order of Carmelites** website (alt). <http://ocarm.org/en/content/lectio/lectio-luke-189-14>

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER This Is the Day

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

* Hymn: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH #382

TIME OF PRAYER

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.

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 James 2:14-18 CEB

¹⁴ My brothers and sisters, what good is it if people say they have faith but do nothing to show it? Claiming to have faith can't save anyone, can it? ¹⁵ Imagine a brother or sister who is naked and never has enough food to eat. ¹⁶ What if one of you said, "Go in peace! Stay warm! Have a nice meal!"? What good is it if you don't actually give them what their body needs? ¹⁷ In the same way, faith is dead when it doesn't result in faithful activity.

¹⁸ Someone might claim, "You have faith and I have action." But how can I see your faith apart from your actions? Instead, I'll show you my faith by putting it into practice in faithful action.

May God add a blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2 Luke 18:9-14 CEB

⁹ Jesus told this parable to certain people who had convinced themselves that they were righteous and who looked on everyone else with disgust: ¹⁰ "Two people went up to the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself with these words, 'God, I thank you that I'm not like everyone else—crooks, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week. I give a tenth of everything I receive.' ¹³ But the tax collector stood at a distance. He

wouldn't even lift his eyes to look toward heaven. Rather, he struck his chest and said, 'God, show mercy to me, a sinner.' ¹⁴ I tell you, this person went down to his home justified rather than the Pharisee. All who lift themselves up will be brought low, and those who make themselves low will be lifted up."

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

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"The House is Messy"

*HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River UMH 723 (ccli)

BENEDICTION

W+S 3182 Benediction Hymn

POSTLUDE