

WORSHIP HANDOUT

Sunday: July 14, 2024 – 10:00am

Series: “Wrestling Doubt, Finding Faith” with Rev. Daniel Drew

WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF WELCOME TFWS # 2025 “As a Deer,”

*CALL TO WORSHIP NIV Isaiah 25:6-8

Leader: 6 On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare, a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines.

People: 7 On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations;

Leader: 8 He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people’s disgrace from all the earth.

People: The Lord has spoken.

*THE OPENING HYMN UMH # 378 “Amazing Grace” (vs.1-5)

THE CALL TO CONFESSION Pastor Dan Drew

OPENING PRAYER FOR CONFESSION

Good morning God,

thank you for all the good blessings, I enjoyed this week, which came from your creation, as I know I could not have made them.

As I come to worship you today, I pause to remember that I had some rough patches this week. I made some mistakes, I got edgy and out of sorts a few times. I did not always treat my family, my neighbors, or strangers as I would want to be treated. Thank you for being there to restore and redeem me. Help me to be bathed in your Grace and Love through this time of worship today. In the name of Jesus, I pray.

Amen

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER Rise and Shine

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

CALL TO 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.

SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE

TFWS # 2056

“God Is So Good”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON NRSV

Jonah 3:1-10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2 “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” 3 So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. 6 When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. 7 Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: “By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. 8 Humans and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. 9 Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.” 10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

***GOSPEL LESSON NRSV**

Matthew 25:31-40

31 “When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world,

35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ 37 Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38 And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ 40 And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

Rev. Daniel Drew, Pastor

“Is Heaven Real? If so, who gets IN?”

RESPONSE TO THE WORD FROM THREE CREEDS

THE NICENE CREED:

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

The Apostles’ Creed: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

THE CANADIAN CREED:

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

THE KOREAN CREED:

We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting.

OFFERING

*THE DOXOLOGY UMH # 95

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

*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.

Amen

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

UMH # 707

“Hymn of Promise”

*BLESSINGS AS WE GO

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

UMH # 143

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Questions to Go:

What are your doubts about Heaven?

What are your faith statements about Heaven?

What does the Celebration of Easter – Mean to you Regarding Heaven?

What do the Creeds say to you about Eternal Life? - Hymnal Nos 880-886?

What do the hymns say to you about Heaven and life after death? Or What hymn verses instruct your faith about heaven?

If you would like to share your thoughts or questions with Pastor Drew, please feel free to email him this week at hddrew@outlook.com