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Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, August 22, 2021

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Meditation

ELIZA HEWITT

“While we walk the pilgrim pathway, Clouds will overspread the sky;
But when trav’ling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.”

Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL/ORGANIST

“Prelude No. 1 in C Major” - Bach

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 65:5-13

Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas;

People: The one who by his strength established the mountains, being girded with might;

Leader: Who stills the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples,

People: So that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs. You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy.

Leader: You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it;

People: The river of God is full of water; you provide their grain, for so you have prepared it.

Leader: You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

People: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.

Leader: The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,

People: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 457

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

(piano: Marsha, guitar: John)

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

2 Here I find my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;

and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;

let thy grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.

Prone to wander— Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

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“When We All Get to Heaven” (Eliza E. Hewitt)

(piano: Marsha)

1 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright and blessed, He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain:

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!

When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory.

2 While we walk the pilgrim pathway, Clouds will overspread the sky; But when trav'ling days are over, Not a shadow, not a sigh. [Refrain]

3 Let us then be true and faithful, Trusting, serving every day;
Just one glimpse of Him in glory Will the toils of life repay. [Refrain]

4 Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;
Soon the pearly gates will open; We shall tread the streets of gold.
[Refrain]

Vows of Membership

Jeff & Lisa Bynum

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

MARSHA GLOVER/PIANIST

"Victory in Jesus" arr. by Melody Bober

Dismiss Children For Children's Church (3 & 4 year olds)

Reading of Holy Scripture

Ruth 3

¹One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. ²Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor. ³Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do." ⁵"I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered. ⁶So she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do. ⁷When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned—and there was a woman lying at his feet! ⁹"Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family." ¹⁰"The LORD bless you, my daughter," he replied. "This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: You have not run after the younger men,

whether rich or poor. ¹¹And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character. ¹²Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I. ¹³Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if he is not willing, as surely as the LORD lives I will do it. Lie here until morning." ¹⁴So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before anyone could be recognized; and he said, "No one must know that a woman came to the threshing floor." ¹⁵He also said, "Bring me the shawl you are wearing and hold it out." When she did so, he poured into it six measures of barley and placed the bundle on her. Then he went back to town. ¹⁶When Ruth came to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, "How did it go, my daughter?" Then she told her everything Boaz had done for her ¹⁷and added, "He gave me these six measures of barley, saying, 'Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'" ¹⁸Then Naomi said, "Wait, my daughter, until you find out what happens. For the man will not rest until the matter is settled today."

Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

"Carpe Diem?"

Hymn of Response*

N^o 134

"God Will Take Care of You"
(organ: Jacquelyn)

1 Be not dismayed what e'er betide, God will take care of you;
beneath his wings of love abide, God will take care of you.

Refrain:

God will take care o you, through ev'ry day, o'er all the way;
he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

2 Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of
you; when dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.
[Refrain]

3 All you may need he will provide, God will take care of you;
trust him and you will be satisfied, God will take care of you.
[Refrain]

4 No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you;
Lean, weary one, upon his breast, God will take care of you. [Refrain]

Offertory Prayer

Doxology *

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

Benediction

*Congregation Standing

Sermon Notes

Ruth 3
“Carpe Diem?”

I. Arrange

II. Act

III. Assess

Announcements

Adult Sunday School: Beginning September 5th, Jackie Thompson will be leading a study of the Gospel of Matthew. Everyone is invited to come, bring your Bibles, and join in the study of the first book of the New Testament.

Our Daily Bread: Pick up your copy of the Sep.-Nov. issue in the breezeway.

Ladies: Our 2021/22 Bible Study begins Sep. 7 at 9:30 a.m. Our book, “Steadfast” by Courtney Doctor can be picked up in the office. Sign the clipboard please.

Book Study: Parents and Children will meet this evening at the church from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Parents will study *First Ask Why?* with John and Ashley Belknap leading. Children will eat, study *The Young Peacemaker*, and play. Questions??? please see Nate or Susan Inman.

Golf Tournament: There is a sign up sheet for the Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament scheduled for October 9th on the Bulletin Board. If you would be interested in participating; please sign up.

BELL RINGERS: Today: Gracey Napier **Next Week:** Griffin Belknap

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00):	Aug. 15	93
Live Views		16
Total Online Views		26
Sunday School		68
Last Week's Offering:		\$1,855.00
Online Giving:		\$5,400.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$265,772.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$229,152.00 (+36,620.00)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Jo Stanford

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Rodney and Jana Davila (Costa Rica)
 - **Ministry of the Month:** Covenant Seminary
 - **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers & Eric Napier
 - **Child(ren) of the Week:** Ryan Groebe
 - **College Student of the Week:** Troy Stokes
 - God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**
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- **David Anderson:** (Kerri Matthew's uncle) had surgery on August 16; removed 80 percent of the brain tumor; waiting on future pathology reports.
 - **Erin Clayton:** fell last month and fractured her left shoulder. Surgery has been postponed due to the upsurge in Covid cases. Please pray for God's healing and for Erin's comfort and ease during this time of waiting.
 - **Jimmy Carman:** had an MRI on Tuesday Aug 17 to hopefully give the final answer on what is causing his vision issues; waiting on results. Please pray for grace as he adjusts to new glasses that are supposed to help with the double vision.
 - **Lois Carman:** surgery to have her gallbladder removed has been postponed; waiting for a new surgery date.
 - **Jim Neill:** is recovering from a fall in which he dislocated his shoulder and got some bad gashes.
 - **Bill Glover:** Bill saw his neurologist recently and has an appointment later this month with a vascular surgeon. His pain has intensified.
 - **Cindy Vredevelde** (Julie Rogers' sister-in law): is in a nursing home now. She still needs a lot of personal care. She is making slow progress; has been able to take a few steps using a walker.
 - **Jennifer McDonald** (Julie Rogers' daughter): still has not gotten her sense of smell back after having COVID-19; please pray that the blood clots that she has will go away.
 - **Daisy Lucas** (Kathy & Jim Smith's niece): chronic liver disease; responding well to medication.
 - **Danny Fillinger** (Karen Whitney's father): fell & broke 5 ribs; home now on oxygen. Pray for full recovery and strength.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Gib Vredevelde** (Julie Rogers' father): esophageal cancer; recently saw the oncologist. Over the past 2 months he has taken a turn for the worse. He has chosen hospice care.
 - **Sherrill Smith** (Jim Smith's sister): brain & lung cancer; her cancer is very aggressive, and she is in terrible pain. She is completely bedridden and is now in in-home hospice care.
 - **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. We are so very thankful and grateful to report that Jim has had another stable scan. We are so appreciative of all the pray-ers and all the prayers from our church family.
 - **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's nephew): desmoplastic small round cell tumor(s); has undergone several rounds of chemo prescribed by MDA. The tumors have remained stable; doctors are please with this, as there are ongoing studies and trials which seem promising. This stability buys time in hopes that a new treatment will emerge that will be successful.
 - **John** (French Camp student): stage 4 Lymphoma; spread to his bones; admitted to St. Jude; started chemo Jan 27th.
 - **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; celebrated his 15th birthday, Jan 18th.
 - **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' uncle): prostate cancer; has metastasized to the bone; weak, difficulty walking; receiving treatment.
 - **Sarah Parks Martin** (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer; through with Chemo, doing well.
 - **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)
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- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Bob & Jody Nelson, , Laverne Roberts
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- **Service members:** Glenn Stewart (Fort Campbell, KY; Sam Heath's nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew)