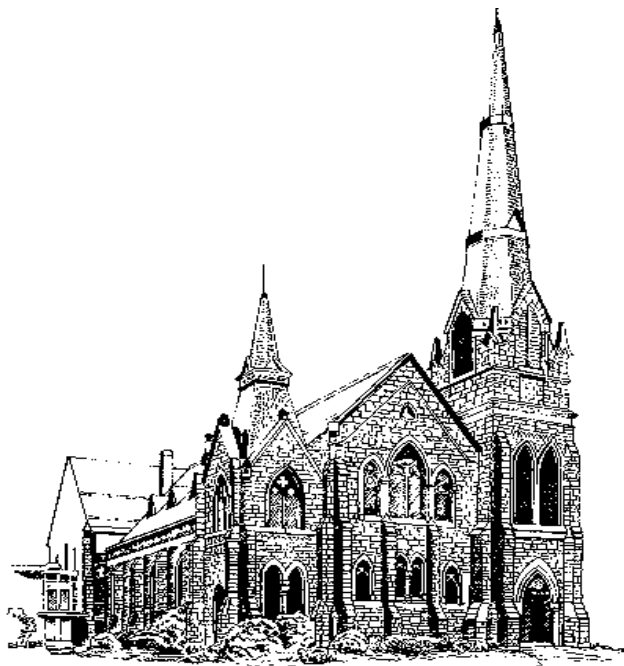


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*Our Mission: Shining God's light by ...
Knowing Christ, Growing in His love, Going where He leads.*

*Sunday, July 30, 2023
10:00 am
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

REFLECTION

Underline the phrase, "Have you understood this?" Jesus asked this question of his disciples and Jesus asks us this question also. Are we starting to "get it"? Are we starting to grasp the reign of God for our lives and in our lives?

Rev. Edward F. Markquart

*OPENING SONG

"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)"

By: Matt Redman

**Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul, worship His holy Name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your holy Name.**

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your Name is great and Your heart is kind;
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

**Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul, worship His holy Name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your holy Name.**

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul sings Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus REPEAT IX

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

*SONGS

"Lord I Need You"

By: Matt Maher

Lord I come, I confess
Bowing here, I find my rest
Without You, I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

**Chorus: Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour, I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You**

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Chorus

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

Chorus

You're my one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

*SONG

“Blessed Assurance (My King Is Coming)”

By Matt Maher

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine
Oh what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of His spirit, washed in his Blood

**Chorus: This is my story
This is my song
Praising my Savior
All the day long
This is my story
This is my song
Praising my Savior
All the day long**

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my savior am happy and blessed
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with His goodness, lost in His Love

Chorus

My King is coming soon
He will roll the clouds away
Light of Heaven bursting through
Oh what a glorious day!
Yes, my King is coming soon
He will roll the clouds away
Light of Heaven bursting through
And until that glorious day

Chorus

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Psalm 105:1-11

Page, 14, NT
Page, 525, OT

SERMON

“Seeds Of Heaven”

Rev. William Schram

*SONG

“Christ Be All Around Me”

By: All Sons & Daughters

As I rise, strength of God
Go before, lift me up
As I wake, eyes of God
Look upon, be my sight

As I wait, heart of God
Satisfy and sustain
As I hear, voice of God
Lead me on, be my guide
Be my guide

**Chorus: Above and below me
Before and behind me
In every eye that sees me
Christ be all around me**

And as I go, hand of God
My defense, by my side
And as I rest, breath of God
Fall upon, bring me peace
Bring me peace

Chorus

Oh, Christ be all around me
Oh, Christ be all around me

Your life, Your death
Your blood was shed
For every moment
Every moment *REPEAT IX*

Chorus *REPEAT IX*

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

*CLOSING SONG

"Your Love Is Strong"

By: Jon Foreman

Heavenly Father,
You always amaze me
Let Your kingdom come in my world and in my life

Give me the food I need
To live through today
And forgive me as I forgive
The people that wrong me

Lead me far from temptation
Deliver me from the evil one

I look out the window
The birds are composing
Not a note is out of tune
Or out of place

I walk to the meadow
And stare at the flowers
Better dressed than any girl
On her wedding day

So why should I worry?
Why do I freak out?
God knows what I need
You know what I need

**Chorus: Your love is, Your love is
Your love is strong
Your love is, Your love is
Your love is strong
Your love is, Your love is
Your love is strong**

The Kingdom of the Heavens
Is now advancing
Invade my heart
Invade this broken town

The Kingdom of the Heavens
Is buried treasure
Would you sell yourself
To buy the one you've found?

Two things You told me
That You are strong
And You love me
Yes, You love me

Chorus

Our God in Heaven
Hallowed be Thy name
Above all names

Your kingdom come
Your will be done
On earth as it is in Heaven

Give us today our daily bread
Forgive us weary sinners
Keep us far from our vices
And deliver us from these prisons

Chorus

*BENEDICTION

*Please rise in the body or spirit

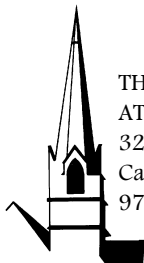
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