### The Lord's Day

March 3, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "This commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven..neither is it beyond the sea. But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it."

-Deuteronomy 30:11-14 (ESV)

Prelude

Carol Jones, piano

Announcements

\* Call to Worship (responsive reading) Psalm 136, Isaiah 63

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

For his steadfast love endures forever;

To him who alone does great wonders,

For his steadfast love endures forever.

I will recount the steadfast love of the Lord,

the praises of the Lord,

According to all that the Lord has granted us,

and the great goodness to his people,

That he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

\* Hymn 44

How Great Thou Art

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\* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 482)

Psalm 69:1-18

(continuous reading)

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 998)

Titus 3:4-7

- \*\* Silent Prayer of Confession
- \* Assurance of Pardon
- \* Hymn (insert) WeWill Glorify
- \*\* Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

\* Hymn 731

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

Sermon Cleaning House

Pastor Will Snyder

Text: Zechariah 5:1-4 (Bible, p. 794)

Hymn 644 May the Mind of Christ My Savior

ST. LEONARDS

The Lord's Supper

Deacon's Offering

\* Hymn 648

My Jesus, I Love Thee

CARITAS

\* Benediction

Postlude

As you enter the Sanctuary, please be considerate of others who are quietly preparing for worship. Please silence your cell phones before the service begins.

Nursery care is available for infants through age 3 in Rooms 2 and 4.

Communion Reminder: The outside rows on each cup tray contain grape juice; all other cups in each tray contain wine. The bread/cracker served is gluten-free.

#### Sunday Evening Praise, 6:00 PM:

Our Sunday evening gathering of praise starts at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Come sing, pray, and hear from God's Word to close out your Lord's Day rest.

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation Standing

<sup>\*\*</sup> Congregation Kneeling

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

#### March 3, 2024

Worship Leader:

John Sundet

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: Walter Mayo Ushers: Peter Benedict

Nursery:

Howard Craig, Shannon Dickson

10:30 (Worship:

Coffee Clean-up: Sundet

Sundet Shepherding Group

Evening:

#### March 10, 2024

Worship Leader:

Sterling Harmon

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: David Embree Ushers: Defi Edwards

Nursery:

Rachel Embree, Calvin Edwards

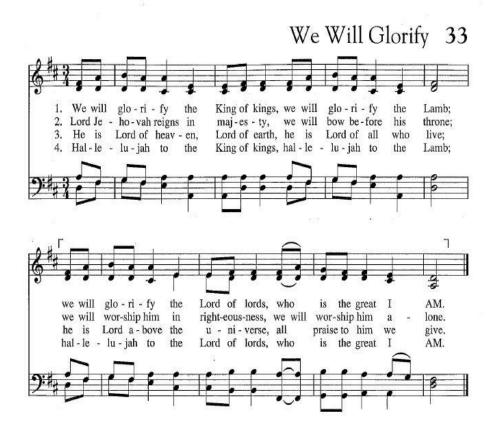
10:30 (Worship)

Coffee Clean-up: Sundet Shepherding Group

Evening:

Shepherding Groups~ No Evening Gathering

# Songs to God



#### This Week at Church

Monday	6:30 PM	Women's In-Person Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Women's Zoom Bible Study
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Bible Study
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group
Sunday	2:00 AM	DST Begins – Set Clocks Ahead 1 Hr.
	9:30 AM	Bible Overview Class

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Daylight savings time begins on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 AM. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

#### LADIES TEA & TESTIMONY

On Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM, we're having a Tea & Testimony at the church. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the clipboard on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Consider bringing a light snack to share. If needed, babysitting will be provided. Please let us know if you need it so we can schedule sitters. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Ohlund or Debbie Goodale. This tea will be open to teens in high school.

#### JOINT MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Please join us for a Maundy Thursday worship service at the Presbyterian Church of Manchester (394 Lydall St., Manchester) on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Let us enjoy fellowship with our sister churches and worship our precious Savior, Jesus Christ.

#### **DISCOVERY CLASS**

Beginning Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, a Discovery Class will begin for those interested in learning more about the ministry of the Presbyterian Church of Coventry. This class runs for 8 weeks and takes place during the Sunday school hour (9:30-10:15 AM). It focuses on understanding the gospel message, the doctrinal distinctives within

PCC, and the ministries of our church. It is a time to grow in fellowship and understanding and provides a helpful avenue for those considering church membership. For those interested please contact Pastor Will (pastorjws@gmail.com) or the church office.

#### CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

A Wednesday afternoon Bible study takes place at 1:00 PM at the church. We are studying 1-2 Corinthians. If you are interested in joining, please contact Pastor Will at the church office (860) 742-7222.

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

The next women's in-person Bible study will meet on Monday, March  $4^{th}$ , at 6:30 PM at the church. We will continue our study of Romans. All are welcome. Please contact Debbie Goodale if you have questions.

The next women's Zoom Bible study will be on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. We will continue studying the book of Mark. Please contact Elizabeth Koopman (e.koopman6l@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

#### **MIDWEEK RECHARGE**

The next Midweek Recharge will be on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Please come and enjoy food and fellowship. Please contact Collin Robinson (334.464.0142) or Pastor Will (860.742.7222) for any questions or if you have a desire to serve meals to others.

#### WATER COOLERS

In order to reduce costs, and the amount of recycling, the Deacons have purchased two (2) water coolers that are located at the coffee station and in the kitchen. We encourage you to bring water bottles (with lids) or use the provided cups. The 7oz plastic water bottles are reserved for use by our Worship leaders.

### Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

### Cleaning House Zechariah 5:1-4

Main Preaching Point: Yield every part of your life to the Lord, who not only saves his people by his grace in Christ but who is radically committed to sanctifying you in the likeness of His Son.

- ➤ The Pervasive Word of God—no thought, word, or deed goes undetected
- ➤ The Purposeful Word of God—aligning Christian practice with Christian profession
- ➤ The Piercing Word of God—the broken and contrite heart, God will not despise

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Zechariah 5:1-4 Title: Cleaning House

Questions:

1. What was most important or applicable in today's preaching? Can you summarize the main message?

# The Pervasive Word of God—no thought, word, or deed goes undetected

- 2. Read Zechariah 5:1-4. What is the vision/image that Zechariah sees? Discuss the characteristics about the scroll—its size and mobility. What does this reveal about God's Word?
  - ➤ The scroll/word is pervasive. Read Hebrews 4:11-13. How does this relate to the vision in Zechariah?

3. The vision communicates the need for repentance. What two sins are identified in the vision? According to the sermon what do those two represent? According to v.4 what happens to the one who is unrepentant?

# The Purposeful Word of God—aligning Christian practice with Christian profession

- 4. The picture not only reveals man's need of repentance, but God's cleansing grace. Though the LORD already delt with man's need for cleansing back in chapter 3 with the exchanging of Joshua's filthy garments (i.e. sin nature) with pure vestments (God's regenerating work), how is the image of the cleaning of a house (i.e. life/heart) addressing a different aspect of our Christian life/faith? Discuss.
- 5. According to the sermon, how does this vision reveal God's desire and intention to bring the believer's *practice of faith* in line with this *profession of faith*? What is the danger of having a strong profession of faith but little conviction about obedience in faith? Discuss.

# The Piercing Word of God—the broken and contrite heart, God will not despise

- 6. How are we to balance the pursuit of holiness on the one hand, and the inevitability of falling short of God's holy requirements on the other? How should both justification and sanctification give shape to the way we see our calling and ourselves? Discuss.
- 7. How does this vision point us to the work Christ accomplished on the cross, as well as his holy life in which we are to emulate and pattern our lives after? Discuss.