

The Lord's Day

August 9, 2020 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master."
-Matthew 25:21 (ESV)

Prelude [My Faith Has Found a Resting Place](#) arr. M. Ham
Hymn 468

* Call to Worship [Psalm 146:1-2](#)

* Hymn 57 [Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, Oh My Soul](#) RIPLEY

* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (responsive reading) [Psalm 26](#)

Leader: Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

People: Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.

Leader: For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

People: I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites.

Leader: I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked.

People: I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

Leader: O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.

People: As for me, I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me.

Leader: My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the LORD.

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 992) [1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)
(continuous reading)

Hymn 671 [Forever Trusting in the Lord](#) MEDITATION

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn (insert) [Through All the Changing Scenes of Life](#) IRISH

** Prayers of the People

Offertory [Holy, Holy, Holy!](#) arr. L. Larson
Hymn 100

* Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDETH

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon **How to Wait – Joyful Servants Investing in the Goods/Assets of the Master**
Text: [Matthew 25:14-30](#) (Bible, p. 830)
Pastor Will Snyder

* Hymn 642 [Be Thou My Vision](#) SLANE

* Benediction

* Silent Meditation

Announcements and Dismissal

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.

As a reminder, our Session has decided to require the use of facial masks at all times while inside the church facility on Sunday mornings, with the exception of the Pastor and those leading in worship during the service.

According to state guidelines you are not required to use a mask or cloth face covering if it is contrary to your health or safety because of a medical condition, a child in a child care setting, anyone under the age of 2 years, or an older child if the parent, guardian or person responsible for the child is unable to place the mask safely on the child's face.

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

August 9, 2020

Worship Leader: Elder John Sundet

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: Howard Craig

Ushers: Jeff Edwards

Audio: Chaz Owens

Nursery: 9:30:

10:30 (Worship):

Toddler Time:

Coffee Clean-up:

Evening Audio: *Backyard Fellowship*
at PCC at 5:30 PM

August 16, 2020

Worship Leader: Elder Richard Jones

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: Scott Bolliger

Ushers: Pete Benedict

Audio: Chaz Owens

Nursery: 9:30:

10:30 (Worship):

Toddler Time:

Coffee Clean-up:

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Through All the Changing Scenes of Life

Psalms 34:1-9

Hymns and Sacred Poems
IRIS III C.M.

1. Through all the chang - ing scenes of
2. Of his de - liv' - rance I will
3. O mag - ni - fy the Lord with
4. The hosts of God - en - camp a -
5. O make but tri - al of his

2
life, in trou - ble and in joy, the
boast, till all that are dis - tressed from
me, with me ex - alt his name; when
round the dwell - ings of the just; de -
love; ex - per - i - ence will de - cide how

6
prais - es of my God shall still my
my ex - am - ple com - fort take, and
in dis - tress to him I called, he
liv' - rance he af - fords to all who
blest they are, and on - ly they, who

10
heart and tongue em - ploy,
charm their griefs to rest,
to my res - cue came,
on his suc - cor trust,
in his truth con - fide.

6. Fear him, ye saints, and you will then have nothing else to fear:
make you his service your delight, he'll make your wants his care.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

PCC LADIES GATHERINGS AT PCC PAVILLION/ZOOM

Our summer intern, Hannah Moon is hosting several gathering opportunities for the PCC Ladies. Thursdays at 10 AM under the church's pavilion, Hannah and the ladies at PCC will be hosting a weekly Women's Sunday Sermon Conversation. During this time, they will reflect on Sunday's sermon together with the hope that they can dig into how the particular truths of the gospel highlighted in the teaching apply to our day to day lives. Thursdays Ladies Bible Study meets at 7:30 PM on Zoom. We are studying the book of 1 John. Saturday (every other) Book Club at 3 PM is discussing C.S. Lewis' Chronicles of Narnia, selected books. Look for church email announcements and/or contact Hannah directly for details or to schedule a time to meet with her. Email: hannahmoon93@gmail.com

SNAC YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group every SATURDAY night Summertime Bible Study on the *Book of Numbers* from 6:30 to 8 PM. We'll be meeting outside for Bible Study and prayer at "THE BARN" 802 Bolton Rd, Vernon. We will be maintaining social distancing (except among family members), so please bring your own BIBLE, CAMP CHAIR/BLANKET, WATER BOTTLE, BUG SPRAY, AND FACE MASK. There will be restrooms available for emergency usage but no snacks will be served. Look for email updates for weather cancellations and meeting dates.

DISCOVERY CLASS

Beginning Sunday, August 23rd, 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 with 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.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be on Thursday, August 27th at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. They have added extra safety precautions due to COVID-19 such as temperature checks before entry into the building, social distancing protocol, wearing of face masks, etc. You can visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday afternoon Bible study, led by Pastor Will, meets at 1:00 PM and will be studying Hebrews 1:5-14, if you're interested please contact Pastor Will (pastorjws@gmail.com). We will be holding the study on-site at church and for those unable to attend in person, we will provide Zoom.

FIREWOOD AT PCC

The Deacons have removed a fallen Maple tree near the pavilion at the church parking lot. If you are interested in the wood, you must bring your own chainsaw, as it is not cut to fireplace length. Any questions, please contact one of the Deacons.

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

How to Wait – Joyful Servants Investing in the Goods/Assets of the Master

Matthew 25:14-30

Main Preaching Point: Wait for the Lord Jesus Christ as joyful servants who are called to increase the Master's assets/goods

- Entrusted – called to risk & invest in the Master's goods
- Accountable – coming to terms with the Master
- Faithful – good news demonstrated through faithfulness

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Matthew 25:14-30

Title: How to Wait – Joyful Servants Investing in the Goods/Assets of the Master

Questions:

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

Entrusted – called to risk & invest in the Master's Goods

2. Read v.21 and 23. As believers, how should our understanding of the last day inform and shape our lives today – our countenance, character, and thinking? Explain.

- To those faithful servants, the master says, "well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your master." What does it mean to "enter the joy of your master"? Consider the first question and answer to the Westminster Shorter Catechism and how it might relate:
Q: What is man's chief end? A: Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.

- In the parable, the Master rewards those who were faithful. He says, "well done...you have been faithful with little; I will set you over much." Read Hebrews 11:6. Since the talents and the ability to be faithful are gifts and graces of the master, how should we understand God's intent to reward his people? What does this reveal about God? Explain.

3. The Master entrusts talents to each servant. What does a talent represent and what does this reveal about the kind master they serve? How would you apply the idea of a talent to our lives today? What might they represent?

- What do each of the servants do with the talents they've been given? Is there any risk involved in investing the talents? Should the Christian life involve risk? Explain.

Accountable – coming to terms with the Master

4. Read v.19-25. When the Master returned he settled accounts with each servant. How does this apply today? How does God settle accounts with his people? Does he hold us accountable? On what basis? What role does the finished work of Christ play, and what role do our own works play in God's accounting? Explain.

5. Why does the servant with the one talent go and bury it? How does one's view of the Master (God) effect the way they handle their talent(s)? Explain.

Faithful – good news demonstrated through faithfulness

6. Though our ultimate foundation rests upon the perfect servant of God (the Lord Jesus Christ), how does the gospel relate to the believer's calling and ability to rightly steward the gifts & talents of God? Explain.