

# The Lord's Day

March 7, 2021 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding...She [wisdom] is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called blessed." -Proverbs 3:13, 18(ESV)

Prelude *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* arr. R. Vandall  
[Hymn 629](#)

\* Call to Worship (responsive reading) [Psalm 48:9-14](#)

Leader: We have thought on your steadfast love, O God

**In the midst of your temple.**

Leader: As your name, O God,

**so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.**

Leader: Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

**Let Mount Zion be glad!**

Leader: Let the daughters of Judah rejoice

**because of your judgments!**

Leader: Walk about Zion, go around her,

**number her towers,**

Leader: Consider well her ramparts,

**go through her citadels,**

Leader: That you may tell the next generation

**that this is God,**

Leader: Our God forever and ever.

**He will guide us forever.**

\* [Hymn 598](#) *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

\* Invocation

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 1013) [James 5:13-20](#)  
(continuous reading)

\*\* Silent Prayer of Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Hymn (insert) *God Leads Us Along* arr. G. A. Young

\*\* Pastoral Prayer

Offertory *God So Loved the World* arr. Stainer  
PCC Quartet

\* [Hymn 731](#) *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

\* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *The Worth of Wisdom* Pastor Will Snyder  
Text: [Proverbs 3:13-35](#) (Bible, p. 528)

\* [Hymn 252](#) *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG

The Lord's Supper *Nearer My God to Thee* & *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* [Hymn 645](#)

\* [Hymn 515](#) *How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!*  
WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET DER MORGENSTERN

\* Benediction

\* Silent Meditation

Announcements and Dismissal

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*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.*

In an effort to be subject to our civil authorities as well as considering the well-being of others before ourselves, facial masks are required 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.

**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.

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\* Congregation Standing

\*\* Congregation Kneeling

# God Leads Us Along

G. A. Young

1. In sha - dy, green pas - tures, so rich and so sweet, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
2. Some - times on the mount where the sun shines so bright, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
3. Though sor - rows be - fall us and e - vils op - pose, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
4. A - way from the mire, and a - way from the clay, God leads his dear child - ren a -

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long;— Where the wa - ter's cool flow bathes the wear - y one's feet, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
long;— Some - times in the val - ley, in dark - est of night, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
long;— through grace we can con - quer, de - feat all our foes, God leads his dear child - ren a -  
long;— A - way up in glo - ry, e - ter - ni - ty's day, God leads his dear child - ren a -

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**Chorus**

long. — Some through the wa - ters, some through the flood, some through the fire, — but  
long. —  
long. —  
long. —

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all through the blood; some through great sor - row, but

14

God gives a song, in the night sea - son and all the day long.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

March 7, 2021

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Lucas Dourado  
**Greeters:**  
**Deacon in Charge:** Howard Craig  
**Ushers:** Randy Hershberger  
**Audio:** Chaz Owens  
**Nursery:** 9:30:  
10:30 (*Worship*):  
**Toddler Time:**  
**Coffee Clean-up:**  
**Evening Audio:**

March 14, 2021

**Worship Leader:** Elder Brian Wilson  
**Greeters:**  
**Deacon in Charge:** Scott Bolliger  
**Ushers:** Walter Mayo  
**Audio:** Chaz Owens  
**Nursery:** 9:30:  
10:30 (*Worship*):  
**Toddler Time:**  
**Coffee Clean-up:**  
**Evening Audio:** *Shepherding Groups-  
No Evening Service*

## This Week at Church

Monday	6:45 PM	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Prayer Gathering
Friday		Dinners for 8 (or so)
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group Dinners for 8 (or so)
Sunday	2:00 AM	DST (set clocks AHEAD 1 hr.)
	9:30 AM	Discovery Class
	12:00 PM	Shepherding Groups

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

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The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by the Bolliger Family in memory of Danielle's mother, **Patricia DiRusso**.

### EVENING SERVICE

Please join us for our evening service which starts at **5:30 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Elder John Sundet will be giving us some more instruction (both musically and theologically) concerning singing the psalms in worship.

### COMING EVENTS

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### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Daylight savings time begins on **March 14<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!

### WACKY SKIT NIGHT

We will be having a Wacky Skit Night, on Friday, **March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. We are hoping to have it both in person and via live stream on YouTube. If you are interested in performing a skit, please email Mark Franson at [mafranson3006@gmail.com](mailto:mafranson3006@gmail.com). In your email, please include the name and email address of the leader of your group, the name of your skit, the approximate length of your skit, and the number of participants. Remember that Covid rules still

apply. If a solo skit, no mask required but if a group skit, masks will be required.

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

On Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the morning worship service, the Session is calling a brief congregational meeting. This meeting is for the purpose of voting on David Embree to serve in the office of Deacon. David has been nominated, examined by the Session, and will be presented to the congregation for a vote. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with Pastor Will or one of the Ruling Elders.

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

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### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday afternoon Bible study will not be meeting this week but will resume on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

### MEN'S COVENANT GROUP

The Men's Covenant Group is studying the Luke-Acts pairing in the New Testament, observing the parallels of the two books, and enjoying fellowship in the Scriptures. We meet at the church from 7:00 AM to just before 9:00 AM on Saturday morning with coffee and food. But there is also the option of joining through an online meeting- please contact Pastor Will or the church office.

### COMMUNICANTS CLASS FOR CHILDREN

As there has been some interest in providing a communicants class for children in the church, we are considering starting a new class on April 11<sup>th</sup>. This would run for eight weeks and is an opportunity for young people to grow together and to understand more fully key biblical teachings, such as the church, repentance and faith in Christ, the Lord's Supper, and growing in the Lord Jesus (as well as others). If you are interested in having your son or daughter participate in this class, please provide your information on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall or email the church office at [office@coventrypca.church](mailto:office@coventrypca.church).

### PCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

Circle April 11<sup>th</sup> on your calendars and get ready to return to Sunday School!! Classes for all ages will restart on Sunday, April 11, 2021 at their normal time of 9:30-10:15 AM. There are clipboards (one for adults and one for children) in the Fellowship Hall that we are asking people who are interested in attending Sunday School to simply jot down their name (or kids' names) so we can have an idea how to assign classrooms. This is NOT a sign-up sheet—please join us for Sunday School even if you forget to put your name on the clipboard. Also, for those who may be wondering, we will not be live streaming Sunday School, but please join us starting April 11th at 9:30.

### FLOWER CALENDAR

Flowers in worship serve in reminding us of God's glory reflected in creation, His loving care for us and our own mortality. If you would like to bless our worship/honor a loved one by providing flowers please use the flower calendar found on the Women's Ministry board in the Fellowship Hall. Flowers can be from your garden or purchased.

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

### *The Worth of Wisdom*

Proverbs 3:13-35

**Main Preaching Point:** Through his grace, God is building a blessed & Christ-like people by working in them the worth of his wisdom.

- The Worth of Wisdom (v.13-18)
- The Worth of Wisdom to Us (v.21-26)
- The Work Wisdom Accomplishes (v.19-20,27-35)

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Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Proverbs 3:13-35

Title: The Worth of Wisdom

Questions:

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

#### The Worth of Wisdom (v.13-18)

2. Read v.13-18. What is wisdom compared to? Discuss why wisdom is of greater worth than silver, gold, jewels, or money.

3. In considering the worth of wisdom, the text mentions "the tree of life" and word "blessed" (v.13 & 18). What do these terms mean? Read Matthew 5:2-12. How do Jesus' words give shape to the blessed life? Read also John 15:1-11. How does Proverbs 3 point one to the person of Christ?

- What are the things upon which our culture places great value and seeks to "sell" us? Discuss.

### The Worth of Wisdom to Us (v.21-26)

4. Read v.21-26. While verses 13-18 highlight the worth of wisdom, how do verses 21-26 explain her worth *to us*? Discuss some of the specific characteristics of the person who is holding fast to wisdom.

- "If you lie down, you will not be afraid" (verse 24). Puritan John Flavel said, "It cannot be said of any man that he is made without fear. Even the most courageous are not without some fear." Do you agree? What are some of the most common fears that Christians face today? Discuss.
- According to the sermon and these verses, what is it that dispels fear? What provides confidence and security in the life of faith? Explain. Describe a time when you experienced a particular closeness with the Lord. How can that be cultivated?

#### The Work Wisdom Accomplishes (v.19-20, 27-35)

5. Read v.19-20 and 27-35. In v.19-20 we're told that it was "by wisdom" that God founded the earth. What is the relationship (if any) between wisdom, beauty, and God's creative work? (Remember that wisdom is the skill (or art) of godly living. God created a diverse and beautiful creation. By his wisdom, he is re-shaping the redeemed into a beautiful, Christ-like people, adorned by his grace).

6. In v.27-35, what is the particular work that wisdom accomplishes in God's people? How does it relate to promoting a culture of life and love?

7. Taking the verses as a whole, how do they point us to the person and saving work of Jesus Christ?