



*Rich Young Man Went Away Sorrowful**, 1886-1896.
Artist: Tissot, James, 1836-1902

Service for the Lord's Day

October 13, 2024

The Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word of Worship

Striking of the Hour

Welcome

Prelude

Fantasia

Orlando Gibbons

We Rise in Spirit and in Body

Call to Worship (responsive)

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.
O give thanks to the God of gods,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.
O give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.
Let us worship God!

Opening Hymn 385

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDRETH

Call to Confession

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (unison)

Gracious and merciful God, we praise you for you are a God of righteousness and love. But we often wonder what we must do to be right with you. The gospel presents us with the love and call of your Son Jesus Christ, yet we are more comfortable with rules and try to follow them to win your love. You call us to trust in your grace and promises in Jesus Christ. We strive for security by piling up the things of this life. Forgive our self-centeredness as we seek our well-being while ignoring the needs of others. Help us to seek your kingdom and righteousness first in our lives. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Silence is observed for Personal Confession



Declaration of Good News (responsive)

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
Children of God, hear and believe the good news:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing the Peace of Christ (responsive)

The grace of Jesus Christ frees us to live together in the security of his powerful love. May we be reconciled to each other and share Christ's peace.
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

All Sit

Prayer for Illumination

A Time with Young Christians (children welcomed to the front of the sanctuary)

Hearing the Word

Epistle Reading (responsive)

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Anthem

All Shall Be Amen and Alleluia
Text by Augustine of Hippo, 354-430

Gerald Custe

All Stand

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

All Sit

Sermon

Traveling Light

Kyle Otterbein

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 722

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

CANONBURY

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

from *A Brief Affirmation of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

All Sit

Offering

Offertory

Fantasia on the IVth tone

Giovanni Gabrieli

All Stand

Doxology

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*





Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Generous and merciful God, we thank you for your indescribable gift of Jesus Christ. As we present our offerings today, give us grateful and generous hearts, that we may always follow Jesus in what we say and do. Help us to remember that every generous act of giving and every perfect gift is from above, from you, our heavenly Father. Amen.

All Sit

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

A Moment of Silence

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen*

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

All Stand

Closing Hymn 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

Benediction

Postlude

Suite du deuxième ton: Plein jeux

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

*"...when his (Tissot) carefully researched collection of 350 watercolors depicting the life of Jesus was first published as a book in 1896, it found a large and enthusiastic audience. No one who had followed his previous career could have anticipated that this painter of urban life in Paris and London would undertake the project of painting virtually every event in the Gospels.

The Life of Our Lord Jesus Christ project took nearly ten years to complete. When it was done, it chronicled the entire life of Jesus as recorded in the New Testament in a series of 350 watercolors. To research the project Tissot traveled to Egypt, Syria, and Palestine in 1886-87, and again in 1890.

While in the Holy Land he closely observed the landscape, the vegetation, the architecture, and the manner of dress, and filled sketchbooks with what he saw. He talked with rabbis and studied Talmudic literature as well as theological and historical volumes. He believed that there was still a remaining "aura" in the places where the Gospel events took place, and he spoke of having mystical experiences that added to his careful research. What he wanted to create was something as close as possible to an eyewitness account of the life of Jesus." [from Terry Glaspey's "75 Masterpieces Every Christian Should Know"]

Announcements

USHERS: Polen and Thomison families

COLLEGIATE ENSEMBLE: Johnna Smith, Aletheia Burt, Mack Overfelt, Wyatt Edmonds, Jeremiah Simpson and Quinn Hixon

LAY READER: Margaret Stein

MEDIA PERSONNEL: Laura Parkerson

NURSERY: Alisia Simmons, Yamilet Bruno Sanchez

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 20: Job 38:1–7 (34–41); Psalm 104:1–9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1–10; Mark 10:35–45

TODAY

DEACON OF THE WEEK this week will be Sally Calkins. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES continue to meet at 9:15 a.m. and will conclude an hour later in time for 10:30 a.m. church service.

BUCK IN THE BASKET for today will be for hurricane Helene relief efforts in Montreat. If you would like to make monetary donation online, please scan the QR code and it will take you directly to Montreat's donation page.



AFTER CHURCH EATING OUT GROUP The After Church Eating Out Group will be dining at Ichiban Japanese Restaurant , 1423 U.S. 31 Bypass, this Sunday. We welcome you to join us!

BLESSING OF THE PETS will take place **today**, October 13th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Courtyard. Bring your pets for fun, fellowship, apple cider and fall treats!

COMING UP:

CECELIA MEMORIAL is having their 177th Church Anniversary Service on Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 3:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. at 716 College Street, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101. There will be a keynote speaker from Lakeside, California, music from The Gospel Troop, and a short service. We will also have refreshments after the service. Thank you in advance and we are looking forward to your support; we hope see you there! Cecelia Memorial Presbyterian Church was established in 1847.

Pastor Tim Williams, CRE, CP.

THE OCTOBER POTLUCK proposed by our Deacons and Fellowship Committee will be after worship next Sunday, **October 20th**. Plan to join us for a “Ghastly Affair,” and bring something “Spooky” to share! We will have a Halloween theme for the month and there will be Halloween Grub, so bring in your favorite finger food for a “Halloween luncheon” in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m.

FALL FESTIVAL AT ROB BYRD'S FARM will take place on Sunday, October 27th. Rob Byrd is inviting our youth to have a Fall Festival at his farm from 3:00-6:00 p.m. This is a family event, so parents, grandparents, siblings and friends are welcome. Activities being planned include a hayride, fishing in the pond, volleyball, games, painting pumpkins and gourds, s'mores around a bonfire, and more. Bring a snack to eat with hamburgers!

OUR PRESCHOOL LEARNING CENTER is having their Annual Trick-or-Treating for the preschoolers at the church on the mornings of October 30th and 31st. We would love to have the church members to participate by setting up areas within the church for the preschoolers to pick up a treat or to do an activity (*Please note that some of our kids have peanut and garlic allergies*). We will also accept treat donations to help make this a fun and memorable day for our kids. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Cheryl or Robin at 270-843-4707 to be added to the sign up sheet. Thank you in advance. -Kimberly Watkins, PLC Director.

OTHER NEWS

LAY READERS NEEDED FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER A signup page is online for upcoming lay readers in the coming weeks. If you are willing to serve on one Sunday, please scan the QR code to visit this link and sign up for a date. Lay reader information will be emailed on the Friday prior to the date. Thank you!



WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by ministers, officers, and congregation.

Clerk of Session: Debbie Trickey **Treasurer:** Steve Moore

Elders: Class of 2025- Karol Kirby Ahmed, Buzz English, Pamela Napier, Julia Roberts, Julie Wedge; Class of 2026- Pam Bratcher, Rachel Crocker, J.B. Hines, Susan Howard, Mike Kanan; Class of 2027-Sam Evans, Nathan Love, Susan Thomison, Debbie Trickey, Larry Warden **Deacons:** Class of 2025- Barbara Brindle, Craig Long, Teri Polen, Ernie Small, Dan Stelling, Fred Trickey; Class of 2026- Phil Burkeen, Kim Ferguson, Kathy Higgins, Brianna Trickey; Class of 2027-Trudy Burkeen, Georgeanna Capito, Sally Calkins, Nancy Carwell, Evan Goad, Frederica Kernohan

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Calendar

Sunday, Oct 13

8:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Children's Music
9:45 a.m. Godly Play
10:30 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Eating Out Sm. Group
4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Pets
5:00 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, Oct 14

9:00 a.m. GOD/DOG is Love
7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry

Tuesday, Oct 15

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga
11:00 a.m. Special Care
6:00 p.m. Session

Wednesday, Oct 16

7:00 a.m. Breakfast Group
5:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, Oct 18

7:30 a.m. Mens' Breakfast Group

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