



Sunday, October 13, 2024

Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵ Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life^{al}? ²⁶ Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷ “Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. ³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Luke 12:22-34 (NIV)

- Highland, A Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved -

Greeters: Sharon & Tom Kennedy, Mary Lou & John Hershey, Dotty Leaman, Barb & Ron Mable

Ushers: Gary & Sandy Cross, Harry & Eileen Flick, Jennifer Funck, John Herr

The white roses recognizes and bears witness to the life and memory of Robert "Bob" Coup and James "Jim" Pressley

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Prelude

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.

At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

Video—Crop Walk

*Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases!

People: God's mercies are everlasting.

Leader: They are new every morning!

People: Great is God's faithfulness.

*Opening Hymn #461

"God is Here"

Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

Rev. Matt Drumheller

At this time, children 5th grade and under are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex.

Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Everlasting God, you promise us provision and abundance. But we often live with a mindset of scarcity. We accumulate so much. And most of what we accumulate are "wants" and not "needs." You tell us of the joys of the simple life. Help us to live simply, grateful for what we have, content with your provision. Remind us that the most important things in life aren't things at all; they are relationships with our friends, family, and above all, You. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Leader: Remember Jesus Christ, "who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped but emptied himself taking the form of a servant. He bore our sins on the cross so that we might die to sin and rise to new life

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 12:22-34

Youth of Highland

Message

"The Unhurried Life: Simplicity"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Linda Shugarts

Offertory

"Simple Gifts"

Shaker hymn arr. Joan Coates, Jr.

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

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.

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #345

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

* Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST

A-V TEAM: KEN OSBORNE

Please be advised that services are recorded and you may be incidentally captured on video as part of the recording of the service. The back of the right side of the sanctuary as you enter is out of the range of the camera.

A description of the stained Chancel window can be found in the front of the hymnal.

FM sound devices are available. Please ask an usher for your own personal receiver.

Cell Phones should be silenced during the worship service.

Video Recordings of the service can be found on the Highland website at www.HighlandPC.org

In the event of an emergency, please refer to the card in the pew racks for evacuation and re-assembly information.