

Worship Guide

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

People: May the fruit of Your Spirit grow in us!

Leader: Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

People: May the fruit of Your Spirit grow in us!

Leader: God loves us! Christ set us free! The Spirit leads us!

All: May the fruit of Your Faithfulness grow in us!

Hymns

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain:

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided-
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

Refrain

"Seek Ye First"

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find,
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!*

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Mission Moment

Music for Reflection

Scripture Luke 16:1-13

Message "Faithfulness"

Music for Reflection

Communion Invitation & Prayer (*Our Table is Open to All*)

Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Music for Meditation

Offering Invitation & Prayer

Hymn *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

*Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.*

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, how I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.*

Blessing

Worship Leaders: Rev. David Kenley & Rev. Beth Wendl, ministers; Chris Chandler, piano; Daonne Caldwell, elder.

Dates & Announcements

- **BCC Directory Photos:** After Worship in front of the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday Worship:** No Regular Wednesday Worship July 30; Please join us at an earlier time for VBS for All Ages:
 - Free dinner at 5:15 pm
 - Program at 6 pm
 - Adult study & Kids' activities at 6:30 pm
- **Vacation Bible School for All Ages:** Wednesday, July 30 - Friday, August 1 (see insert for more info and to register)
- **Back-to-School Breakfast & Backpack Blessing:** Sunday, August 3

Small Groups for Summer:

Most Small Groups are taking a summer break in July. For more information, please contact Rev. Beth. Nursery available for age 5 & under during worship.

Worship Reflections:

1. What do you think it means to be a faithful follower of Jesus? Who comes to mind when you think of that description?
2. Our scripture passage today is sometimes described as the "Parable of the Dishonest Manager." Have you ever been on the receiving end of unfaithfulness? How did you respond?
3. How does our passage today help you think differently about what it means to be faithful?
4. Homework: Is there an aspect of your life in which you feel led to respond faithfully? What is one small step you can take this week to put the fruit of faithfulness into action?



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