

# Worshiping Our Wise God, Who Teaches Us Mercy!

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JUNE 28, 2020  
10:30 AM

**PRELUDE** *Impromptu* Louis Vierne  
*Prelude and Fugue in D Major* Dietrich Buxtehude  
Dennis Bergin, organ

## WELCOME

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

## WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP *O That I Had a Thousand Voices!*

Tonya Zanders, Emily Fictorie, Shelly Hannaford, Rod Cunningham, Brian Roby, vocalists;  
Prudence Barker, violin; Laura Quinn, cello; Charis Baker, flute; Will Barker, trombone;  
Tom Orear, euphonium; Carrie Smith, piano

O that I had a thousand voices to praise my God with thousand tongues!  
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, would then proclaim in grateful songs  
To all, wherever I might be, what great things God hath done for me.

O Father, deign thou, I beseech thee, to listen to my earthly lays;  
A nobler strain in heav'n shall reach thee, when I with angels hymn thy praise  
And learn amid their choirs to sing loud hallelujahs to my King.

## \*GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP Psalm 72:1-8

David Barnes, Student Ministry Director

Pastor: Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the royal son!  
**People: May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice!**  
Pastor: Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people, and the hills,  
in righteousness!  
**People: May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to  
the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor!**  
Pastor: May they fear you while the sun endures, and as long as the moon,  
throughout all generations!  
**People: May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water  
the earth!**  
Pastor: In his days may the righteous flourish, and peace abound, till the moon  
be no more!  
**All: May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends  
of the earth!**

**\*WE DWELL ON HIS LOVE WITH SWEETEST SONG!**

THE CHURCH:

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**Jesus Shall Reign**

*He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. Ps. 72:8*

♩ D A<sup>7</sup> D G C<sup>dim</sup> D A E<sup>7</sup> A 7 D

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -  
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner  
 5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

G D Em D A D A<sup>7</sup> D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from shore to  
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per - fume, shall  
 • love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es shall pro -  
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e - ter - nal  
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -

A 7 D G C<sup>dim</sup> D Em<sup>7</sup> D Em D A<sup>7</sup> D 7

shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 • claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 rest, and all the sons of want are blest.  
 gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Based on Psalm 72  
 Isaac Watts, 1719

DUKE STREET, L.M.  
 John Hatton, 1793

**\*WE INVOKE HIS PRESENCE**

**GOD EXPOSES OUR NEED** Psalm 51:1-4

Reverend Bill Myers

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

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# God, Be Merciful to Me

*Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Ps. 51:1*

1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
 2. My trans-gres-sions I con-fess, grief and guilt my soul op-press;  
 3. I am e - vil, born in sin; thou de - sir - est truth with - in.  
 4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust by thy wrath and judg-ment just,

plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, blot out my trans - gres - sions now;  
 I have sinned a - gainst thy grace and pro - voked thee to thy face;  
 Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art, teach thy wis - dom to my heart;  
 let my con - trite heart re - joice and in glad - ness hear thy voice;

wash me, make me pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.  
 I con - fess thy judg-ment just, speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.  
 make me pure, thy grace be - stow, wash me whit - er than the snow.  
 from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound - less grace.

## **WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

### **CHRIST PROVIDES FOR OUR NEED** Psalm 51:12-14

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

**\*WE SING ALOUD OF YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS! vs. 4-6**

Peter Lilley, Ariana Stout, guitar; Rod Cunningham, keyboard; Matthew Wightman, drums

## *God Be Merciful to Me*



1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, _____	On thy grace I
2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess, _____	Grief and guilt my
3. I am e - vil, born in sin; _____	Thou de - sir - est
4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust. _____	By thy wrath and
5. Gra - cious God, my heart re - new, _____	Make my spi - rit
6. Sin - ners then shall learn from me, _____	And re - turn O



rest my plea;	Plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, _____
soul op - press;	I have sinned a - gainst thy grace _____
truth with - in.	Thou a - lone my Sav - iour art, _____
judge - ment just,	Let my con - trite heart re - joice _____
right and true	Cast me not a - way from thee, _____
God to Thee	Sa - vior all my guilt re - move, _____



Blot out my trans - gres - sions now;	Wash me, Make me
And pro - voked thee to thy face;	I con - fess thy
Teach thy wis - dom to my heart;	Make me pure, thy
And in glad - ness hear thy voice;	From my sins O
Let thy Spi - rit dwell in me;	Thy sal - va - tion's
And my tongue shall sing Thy love	Touch my si - lent



pure with - in, _____	Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
judge - ment just, _____	Speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.
grace be - stow, _____	Wash me whit - er than the snow.
hide thy face, _____	Blot them out in bound - less grace.
joy im - part, _____	Stead - fast make my will - ing heart.
lips O Lord, _____	And my mouth shall praise ac - cord.

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**GOD REVEALS MERCY!** Luke 10:25-37

Pastor: And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?”

People: **And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.”**

Pastor: And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

People: **But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”**

Pastor: Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

People: **But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’**

Pastor: Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?”

People: **He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”**

**\*WE SING THE THEME OF OUR SONG!**

## *Thy Mercy, My God, Is The Theme of My Song*



1. Thy mer - cy, my God, is the theme of my song, the  
 2. With - out thy sweet mer - cy I could not live here;  
 3. Thy mer - cy is more than a match for my heart which  
 4. Great Fath - er of mer - cies thy good - ness I own and the



joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue. Thy  
 Sin would re - duce me to ut - ter de - spair; but  
 won - ders to feel its own hard - ness de - part; dis -  
 cov - e - rant love of thy cru - ci - fied Son; all



free grace a - lone from the first to the last hath  
 through thy free good - ness my spi - rits re - vive and  
 solved by thy good - ness I fall to the ground and  
 praise to the Spir - it whose whi - sper di - vine seals



won my af - fec - tions and bound my soul fast.  
 he that first made me still keeps me a - live.  
 weep for the praise of the mer - cy I've found.  
 mer - cy and par - don and right - eous - ness mine.

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### **WE INVOKE HIS HELP** Psalm 5:1-3 David Barnes, Student Ministry Director

Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray. O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.



**\*WE PREPARE FOR GOD’S WORD!** *Lord, Have Mercy*

Tonya Zanders, Emily Fictorie, Shelly Hannaford, Rod Cunningham, Brian Roby

In peace we have come to pray and to seek the Lord today,  
For salvation from His hand, for the healing of our land. Let us pray, let us pray.

*Chorus:* Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy,  
For we have placed all our hopes in Thee.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy,  
For we have placed all our hopes in Thee.

For our sin, we repent, O Lord; We believe Your holy Word.  
Have mercy, Lord, we pray, and take all our sins away. Kyrie, Christe. (*Chorus*)

If You would mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand?  
Mercy, like a fountain, flow from Your hand! (*Chorus*)

<b>GOD PROCLAIMS HIS WORD</b>	Reverend Bill Myers, Associate Pastor
<b>SERMON SERIES</b>	“Proverbs: Short Sentences, Long Remembered”
<b>SCRIPTURE TEXT</b>	Proverbs 3:27-32
<b>SERMON TITLE</b>	<i>Won’t You Be My Neighbor?</i>

<sup>27</sup> Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due,  
when it is in your power to do it.

<sup>28</sup> Do not say to your neighbor, “Go, and come again,  
tomorrow I will give it”—when you have it with you.

<sup>29</sup> Do not plan evil against your neighbor,  
who dwells trustingly beside you.

<sup>30</sup> Do not contend with a man for no reason,  
when he has done you no harm.

<sup>31</sup> Do not envy a man of violence  
and do not choose any of his ways,

<sup>32</sup> for the devious person is an abomination to the LORD,  
but the upright are in his confidence.

**\*WE RENDER BACK THE LOVE THY MERCY GAVE US!**

## Hope of the World

1. Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en, bring - ing to hun - gry  
2. Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us from death and dark de -  
3. Hope of the world, O Christ o'er death vic - to - rious, who by this sign didst

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souls the bread of life, still let thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en to heal earth's  
spair, from sin and guilt; we ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us; take thou our  
con - quer grief and pain, we would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious: Thou art our

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**REFRAIN:**

wounds and end her bit - ter strife. Hope of the world O Je - sus our  
lives, and use them as thou wilt. reign!  
Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

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Lord, Trans - form our lives by the pow - er of your Word!

Words: Georgia E. Harkness; Music: THOMSON

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Today we thank Pastor Bill for faithfully  
shepherding the flock of Twin Oaks for 20 years.**

# Won't You Be My Neighbor?

Reverend Bill Myers, Associate Pastor

Proverbs 3:27-32

## What Makes A Wise Neighbor?

1. Your neighbor \_\_\_\_\_ (27)
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
2. Your neighbor might need \_\_\_\_\_ (28)
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
3. Your neighbor needs \_\_\_\_\_ (29)
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
4. Your neighbor needs \_\_\_\_\_ (30)
5. Your neighbor needs you to \_\_\_\_\_ (31)
6. Your neighbor needs you to need \_\_\_\_\_ (32)
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
  - e.

Inspector Goole's final word:

"But just remember this. One Eva Smith has gone – but there are millions and millions of Eva Smiths and John Smiths still left with us, with their lives, their hopes and fears, their suffering and chance of happiness, all intertwined with our lives, with what we think and say and do. We don't live alone. We are members of one body. We are responsible for each other."

\*Congregation please rise

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