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Friday Evening

“The Gift of Giving”



“Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the Lord.”

1 Chronicles 29:9a

The “gift” of giving in this instance would be experiencing the joy of giving willingly and with their whole heart.



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Prelude

Call to Worship and Invocation

Psalm 89:1-5

- ¹ I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.
- ² For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness."
- ³ You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant:
- ⁴ "I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations."
- ⁵ Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

*Hymn

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.

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*Scripture Reading

1 Chronicles 29:1-9

¹ And David the king said to all the assembly, "Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, is young and inexperienced, and the work is great, for the palace will not be for man but for the LORD God.

² So I have provided for the house of my God, so far as I was able, the gold for the things of gold, the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, besides great quantities of onyx and stones for setting, antimony, colored stones, all sorts of precious stones and marble.

³ Moreover, in addition to all that I have provided for the holy house, I have a treasure of my own of gold and silver, and because of my devotion to the house of my God I give it to the house of my God:

⁴ 3,000 talents^[a] of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and 7,000 talents of refined silver, for overlaying the walls of the house,^[b]

⁵ and for all the work to be done by craftsmen, gold for the things of gold and silver for the things of silver. Who then will offer willingly, consecrating himself^[c] today to the LORD?"

⁶ Then the leaders of fathers' houses made their freewill offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, and the officers over the king's work.

⁷ They gave for the service of the house of God 5,000 talents and 10,000 darics of gold, 10,000 talents of silver, 18,000 talents of bronze and 100,000 talents of iron.

⁸ And whoever had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the house of the LORD, in the care of Jehiel the Gershonite.

⁹ Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

Message

"Mentoring the Next Generation"

Rev. Chris Vogel

*Hymn

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord!"

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Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after Thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power, all power, surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

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Postlude

*Benediction

*Please Stand if Able