Sunday Morning Worship Celebration

Luke 11:5-13; 18:1-8 | "How Is Your Prayer Life?"

November 24, 2024

The Gospel of Luke: Love Came Down

Gathering

Gloria Patri

Welcome & Announcements Rhonda Manis announces Advent Tea.

Greet One Another

Praise

Prelude

Jesus Paid It All by John T. Grape; Arranged by Tom Fettke.

Call to Worship | Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

The Invocation

Hymn of Praise | Come Thou Fount (Above All Else) [No Bridge Arr.]

Confession & Assurance

Need of Confession | Romans 8:12–13

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

Personal Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin | Based on Psalm 23

Unison

Lord, You are our Shepherd, yet we still want. You promise us rest, but we refuse to be still. You are our Righteousness, but we look to our own works. You are with us, but yet we still fear and do not trust Your promises of protection and cower at our enemies. Lord, forgive us. Cause us to embrace Your goodness and mercy that we may truly believe that You will be with us all the days of our life. We pray this in the name of Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon | Romans 8:14–15

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

Affirmation of Faith | The Nicene Creed

Unison

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; he was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of Praise | The Solid Rock [Indelible Grace]

Corporate Prayer & Giving

The Lord's Prayer (unison) / Pastoral 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 the 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.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Let All Things Now Living," Arranged by Joel Raney.

Doxology

Hearing of the Word

Sermon Text | Luke 11:5-13; 18:1-8

[5] And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, [6] for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; [7] and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? [8] I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. [9] And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. [10] For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. [11] What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; [12] or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? [13] If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

[1] And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. [2] He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. [3] And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' [4] For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, [5] yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" [6] And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. [7] And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? [8] I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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Hymn of Response | Your Will Be Done [CityAlight]

Sending

Benediction

Postlude