## Sep 19, 2021

# This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

**Prelude** Selection by PM

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

\*Call to Worship Ps 81:1-2

**ESV** 

<sup>1</sup>Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!<sup>2</sup> Raise a song; sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

## \*Hymn of Praise

We Give Thee But Thine Own

No. 432

We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be, For all we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our firstfruits give.

Our hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold, And lambs fro whom the shepherd bled Are straying from the fold.

And we believe thy word, Tho dim our faith may be; Whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, We do it unto thee.

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**Scripture Reading** Gen 45:16-28

## **Prayer of Confession**

O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as you blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto you; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Ps. 81:11-16 <sub>ESV</sub>

<sup>11</sup> "But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me. <sup>12</sup> So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels. <sup>13</sup> Oh, that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!<sup>14</sup> I would soon subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes. <sup>15</sup> Those who hate the Lord would cringe toward him, and their fate would last forever. <sup>16</sup> But he would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you."

## \*Hymn of Thanksgiving

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

No. 35

My God, how wonderful thou art, thy majesty how bright! How beautiful thy mercy seat, in depths of burning light!

Wondrous are thine eternal years, O everlasting Lord, by holy angels day and night unceasingly adored!

O how I fear thee, living God, with deepest, tend'rest fears, and worship thee with trembling hope and penitential tears!

No earthly father loves like thee, no mother half so mild bears and forbears, as thou hast done with me, thy sinful child.

How wonderful, how beautiful, the sight of thee will be, thine endless wisdom, boundless pow'r, and awesome purity!

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#### WSC 57-58

#### Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment is, Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

## Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.

## **Prayer of Intercession**

Offering Selection by PM

\*Doxology No. 731

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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All for Jesus, all for Jesus! All my being's ransomed powers: All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.

Let my hands perform His bidding, let my feet run in His ways; Let my eyes see Jesus only, let my lips speak forth His praise.

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty, cling to gilded toys of dust, boast of wealth and fame and pleasure; only Jesus will I trust.

Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus, I've lost sight of all beside; so enchained my spirit's vision, looking at the Crucified.

O what wonder! how amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings, deigns to call me His beloved, lets me rest beneath His wings.

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Sermon Luke 18:31-43

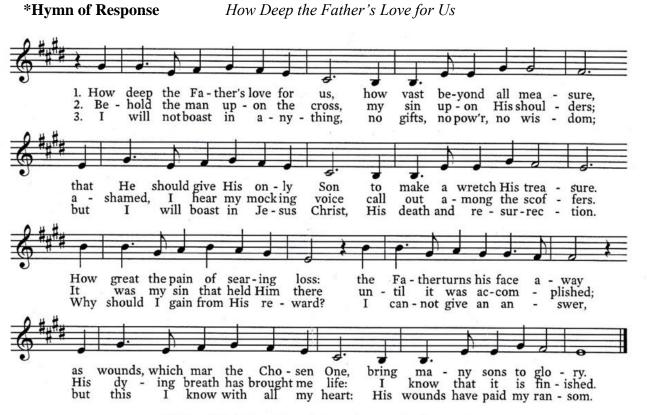
1. Missing the Point

2. Making a Mess

3. Mending Your Way

## Questions:

- 1. How is a robust view of God's sovereignty essential in our Christian thinking?
- 2. How is this especially true as it relates to who receives salvation and who does not?
- 3. What role does the Holy Spirit play in our salvation?
- 4. How does 'fear of man' hold you back or limit you in your Christian walk?
- 5. What does the title, "Son of David" mean in this passage? Why does the man use this term?



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#### \*Benediction

\*Gloria Patri No. 735

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, amen.

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Postlude Selection by PM

\* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Piano Intercessory Prayer Paige Mecyssine Andrew Gretzinger

## **Weekly Calendar**

	<b>DATE</b>	<u>TIME</u> <u>EVENT</u>		
SUN 9/19	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	<b>Sunday School</b> (refreshments at 9am) <b>Worship Service</b>		
WED 9/22	9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Women's Morning Bible Study Women's Evening Bible Study		
THUR 9/23	6:30 PM	Men's Study		
SUN 9/26	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service		

**Email List:** We know you don't all email. However, it is helpful information to have on hand to easily communicate about events, snow cancellations, and mass announcements. We try not to spam you. If you want to be added to the email list, please email the church <a href="mailto:info@goodshepherdpca.net">info@goodshepherdpca.net</a> with your name and if you want regular or irregular updates. Thank you!

**Serving the Lord** 

	9/19	9/26	10/3	10/10	10/17
AM Nursery	Felicia	Kathleen	Yon	Lorrie	Felicia
Greeters	Cherie Lee	Arlene, Ron, &	Dar	Martha	Lash
		Sandy			Fam
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanu	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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Audio	Ben Armstrong	Forrest	Joel	Grayden Lash	Josh Alderson
		Carleton	Tummond		
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger	Lindborg
Deacon of the Week	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason
Communion Prep	N/A	N/A	Oct 10/3 – Hrivnak	N/A	N/A

#### **Announcements**

## **Friendship Families & Compass Tutoring:**

Friendship Families is a ministry of several local churches in which families or individuals are matched with an incoming international student at Valparaiso University. It involves getting together a few times each semester with your student(s).

Compass warmly welcomes immigrants, refugees, students, and visiting international neighbors into our community of Valparaiso and community of learning. Walking together, we equip newcomers of all ages with the skills needed to thrive and make Northwest Indiana home. We not only provide language support and education, but also cultural training and advocacy as our families adjust to life in a foreign culture. The leaders and volunteers of Compass are also enriched by new friendships with those of differing backgrounds.

If you are interested in volunteering for either opportunity, see Lucy Hrivnak.

Apple Cider Event: Mark your calendars for this event on Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>. That means it is time to save milk and juice jugs. Only the ones with screw on lids, please other lids are a spill hazard. Once they are empty, wash and dry them. Then keep the jugs in a safe place and we'll announce when to bring them to church.