SERMON SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12: 54-59 | Page #75 NT

Minister: This is the Gospel message of our Savior. Congregation: **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON "Rain, Rein, Reign" Rev. Joel K. Boyd

***SENDING HYMN** "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" #50

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Lift High the Cross" arr. by John Leavitt Dave Howland

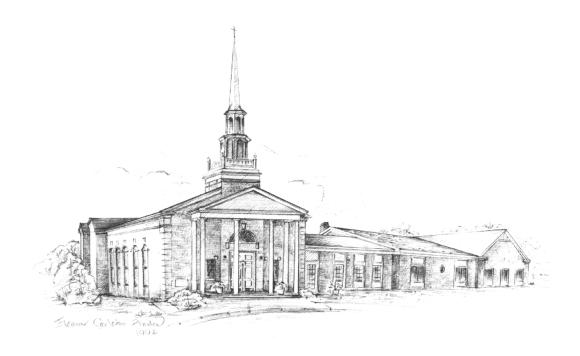
MUSICIANS: Dave Howland and Sanctuary Choir
TECHNICIAN: Scott Hokett | GREETERS: Dave and Gail McKillop
LITURGIST: Dave Milligan

Flowers gracing the Meeting House this morning are given by Steve Kellar in memory of his mother, Vivian Kellar.

The Rummage Sale team invites all for coffee and treats following the worship service. Refreshments will be served at the Fellowship Hall window so volunteers can set-up for this week's rummage sale. All helpers are welcome!

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MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



April 21, 2024 4th Sunday of Easter

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE "Allegro" by G.F. Handel Dave Howland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Minister: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

CHORAL INTROIT

*Stand in body or spirit

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively spoken) (Matt. 5:3-10, The Beatitudes)

Dave Milligan

Rev. Joel K. Boyd

Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit,

Congregation: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: Blessed are those who mourn, Congregation: for they will be comforted.

Leader: Blessed are the meek,

Congregation: for they will inherit the earth.

Leader: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

Congregation: for they will be filled.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful,

Congregation: for they will receive mercy.

Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart, Congregation: for they will see God. Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers,

Congregation: for they will be called children of God.

Leader: Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,

Congregation: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

*GATHERING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus's Name" #215

*INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison) (based on Matt. 5:11-12)

Dave Milligan

Lord Jesus, You taught us that we are blessed when people revile and persecute us and utter all kinds of evil against us falsely on account of being Your followers. You also call us to rejoice and be glad, reassuring us that our heavenly reward will be great in living as You call us to, for in the same way the prophets of old were also persecuted for righteousness' sake. Be with us by the Spirit, as we pray as You taught us:

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 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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Jesus Shall Reign" #211 v. 3

SUNDAY SCHOOL MOMENT

Tina Goodearl

(Children are released to Sunday School.)

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Dave Milligan

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. by Jay Althouse featuring Stephanie Rose Kanak and Yvonne Wilson

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Joel K. Boyd

CHORAL AMEN

OFFERTORY "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #431 v. 1, 4

(In unison, remain seated)

*DOXOLOGY (sing in unison) #563

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFERING PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE