



MATTHEW  
13:45 and 46

*AGAIN*, the  
kingdom of heaven  
is like a merchant seeking  
**BEAUTIFUL PEARLS,**  
WHO, when he had found  
*one pearl* of **great price,**  
went and sold all that he had, *& bought it.*

*Welcome To Hillcrest Presbyterian Church*

## *A Service For The Worship Of God*

July 30, 2017

We give thanks that God has called us to worship together.

### **Opening Hymn: Shine Jesus Shine**

Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
In the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, light of the world, Shine upon  
us;

Set us free by the truth you now  
bring us.

Shine on me; shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine;  
Fill this land with the Father's glory.

Blaze, Spirit, blaze;  
Set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow;  
Flood the nations with grace and  
mercy.

Send forth you word.

Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome  
presence,

From the shadows in to your  
radiance;

By the blood I may enter your  
brightness.

Search me; try me; consume all my  
darkness.

Shine on me; shine on me.

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Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly  
brightness,

So our faces display you likeness;  
Ever changing from glory to glory,  
Mirrored here may our lives tell you  
story.

Shine on me; shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine;  
Fill this land with the Father's glory.

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### **Call To Worship**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds  
among the peoples.

**People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**People: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the  
judgments he uttered,

**People: O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen  
ones, let us celebrate God's love together.**

## ***A Word of Welcome and Announcements***

### ***Prayer of Invocation*** (in unison)

***Rock of Israel and cornerstone of our common life, you are not bound by our visions, our structures, or our doctrine. We cannot predict your coming or going, yet you have given us your story, your family, your work to do. Meet us here. Shape us for service in your world, for we carry the name of Jesus and live by the power of your breath. Amen.***

### **Hymn: As The Deer**

As the deer panteth for the water  
So my soul longeth after Thee  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

You alone are my strength, my shield  
To you alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

You're my friend and You are my  
brother  
Even though you are a king  
I love You more than any other  
So much more than anything

You alone are my strength, my shield  
To you alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

I want You more than gold or silver  
Only You can satisfy  
You alone are the real joy giver  
And the apple of my eye

You alone are my strength, my shield  
To you alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

### **Call To Confession**

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this; while we were sinners Christ died for us.

Because of faith, we can approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### **Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

**God of mystery, God of life,  
we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and  
goodness.**

**We trust our own standards;  
we separate and categorize;  
we mark the performance of others.**

**We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things.**

**We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes.**

**Gracious God, both hidden and manifest, transform our shallow  
imaginings until we yield to a love we cannot control.**

(Silent Confession) — In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The good news is that God forgives us and gives us Christ to be living water and true bread. Let us accept with joy these precious gifts of abundant life

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God**

**\*Gloria Patri: *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.***

## Passing The Peace Of Christ

Leader: *As a forgiven people, let us share the peace of Christ  
The Peace Of Christ Be With You.*

**People: And Also With You.**

Leader: *Let us turn and greet one another*

## Children's Message

### Hymn: Thy Word

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

When I feel afraid

Think I've lost my way

Still You're there

Right beside me

Nothing will I fear

As long as You are near

Please be near me to the end

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

I will not forget

Your love for me and yet

My heart forever is wandering

Jesus be my guide

And hold me to Your side

And I will love You to the end

Thy Word

Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

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Is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

## Prayers Of The People and Lord's Prayer

(You are invited to share out loud your prayer concerns and joys)

Leader: Lord in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

### **Lord's Prayer (in unison)**

**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.**

### **Prayer Response**

Hymn #325 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Spirit divine, attend our prayers,  
And make this house your home;  
Descend with all your gracious powers;  
O come, great Spirit, come!

### **Offering (let us present our Offerings, Tithes and Gifts to the Lord)**

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

\*Doxology

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.

### **Scripture**

**Matthew 13:31-33; 44-52**

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

## Message

Pastor, Rev. Jack Cormack

### *Holy Communion*

All who proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior are invited to participate in this the Lord's Supper

#### **Hymn:** Because He Lives

God sent His son-  
They called him Jesus,  
He came to love,  
Heal and forgive;  
He lived and died  
To buy my pardon,  
An empty grave is there to prove my  
Savior lives.

Because he lives  
I can face tomorrow,  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone;  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.

How sweet to hold  
A newborn baby  
And feel the pride  
And joy he give;  
But greater still  
The calm assurance:  
This child can face uncertain days  
Because Christ lives.

Because he lives  
I can face tomorrow,  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone;  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.

And then one day  
I'll cross the river,  
I'll fight life's final war wth pain;  
And then, as death  
Gives way to victory,  
I'll see the lights of glory-  
And I'll know He lives.

Because he lives  
I can face tomorrow,  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone;  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.

#### **\*Charge and Benediction**

## \*Response

May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.  
May the grace of God shine down upon us, down upon us, and everyone we know.  
This is our prayer as we leave this place with our hearts full of love and grace.  
May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.

\*=Those for whom it is comfortable are invited to stand

Rev. Jack Cormack  
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## Communion Ushers

Kyle Miller  
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Maddison Reynolds  
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Norm Meester

I'VE HEARD PEOPLE  
SAY THAT THE YEAST IN  
THIS STORY IS THE  
CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS.



I THINK THAT'S A  
REASONABLE  
INTERPRETATION.



ALLELUIA, HE  
IS RISEN?



HE IS RISEN  
INDEED!  
ALLELUIA!



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**Liturgist**  
Maddison Reynolds

**In Our Prayers**  
Our homebound: Harold Hiser, Gusta Zweerink, Wayne & Gladys Zweerink,

**Celebrating Birthdays**  
Jane Butler, July 31

**Celebrating An Anniversary**  
Leonard & Joanne Throne, August 2

**SUNDAY, JULY 30**  
Communion  
Fifth Sunday Dinner

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 6**  
Communion

Van Driver: Jim Downing  
Nursery: Debbie Hill  
Sound:  
Building Monitor: Jack Throne

**Ongoing Missions:**

Food Pantry  
Meals on Wheels  
Rare Breed meals  
Ronald McDonald House meals

Food Pantry Needs

Mashed Potatoes  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Cereal



The Millers are adding to their nest.

Please join us for a baby shower  
In honor of



Alex & Kayla Miller



Sunday, August 13th  
at 6:00pm

A light supper will be served

They are registered at Target,  
Babys-R-Us, and Amazon.



The outreach committee is collecting schools supplies for Watkins Elementary. The supplies needed are listed page 6 of the bulletin. The school supply drive will continue through August 6th. If you need help with school supplies or know someone who needs help please contact a member of the outreach committee.

**Back to School Supply Drive  
for Watkins Elementary School**

Backpacks  
Pencils  
Glue Sticks  
Tissues  
Black & White Composition Books  
24 Pack Crayons  
Yellow Highlighters  
2-Pocket Folders  
Hand Sanitizer  
Colored Pencils  
Pens  
Scissors  
Large Pink Erasers  
Zip-Lock Bags (all sizes)  
Flash Drives  
Disinfecting Wipes  
Pencil Pouch or Box  
Wide-Ruled Notebook Paper



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