

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024

10:45am

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

#### **Prelude**

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Keveren

## **Call of Approach**

Chad Hartsock and People

In the midst of the congregation
I will give thanks to God with all my heart.

Great are the mighty works of the Lord!
God's deeds are studied by all who delight in them.

The Lord gives food to those who fear God, always remembering the covenant.

God's deeds are established forever and ever, because they are conceived in truth and justice.

Holy and awesome is the name of the Lord who has commanded the covenant forever.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; the praise of the Lord endures forever.\*\*
Let us worship and praise the Lord!

## \*Hymn of Praise 326

How Majestic Is Your Name

**HOW MAJESTIC** 

(Children meet your leader at the front of the Sanctuary for Bible Study)

## **Prayer of Confession**

Kaylin Hartsock

Ruler of all,

We confess that we have sought to please ourselves instead of glorifying you.

We have set aside the fear of the Lord, which is the beginning of wisdom, and have relied upon our own strength rather than upon your Spirit.

Forgive our stubborn insistence on doing things our own way, and serving you on our own terms; teach us to seek your kingdom first, and your justice before all else, confident that your promise to care for us is fully trustworthy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.\*\*

# **Response of the People 436**

Seek Ye First

## **Offertory Prayer**

Jean Love

**LAFFERTY** 

# Offertory

Blessings arr. Keveren

# \*Sustaining Hymn 71

Be Thou My Vision

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## **Scripture Reading**

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Robert Burts

Then David slept with his ancestors and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David, and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David, except that he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **Musical Offering**

Richer Than Before

Sorenson

Pam Hester, solo; Worship Ensemble

My doubts cannot undo the words You've said. Your silence does not mean that hope is dead. But the lies we eat when our souls are starved Leave us with malnourished hearts.

The things dissolved were never mine to keep.
I'm letting go of treasures that were cheap.
But I'll focus on the positives:
My hands are filled with promises from You.

So use my doubts to draw me near,
And use my needs to show You're here.
My table might be empty, but my cup is overflowing.
My riches might be smaller now,
But Lord my faith is growing.

And maybe I am learning less is more.

Maybe I am richer than before.

It's good that I can't see the road ahead.
It's good that You are leading me instead.
Now the walls feel small and the noise is gone;
I hear You sing a new love song.
And though the world should crash and burn,

I'm wealthy in these lessons learned.

My table might be empty, but my cup is overflowing.

My riches might be smaller now,

But Lord my faith is growing.

And maybe I am learning less is more.

Maybe I am richer than before.

And though the world should crash and burn,

I'm wealthy in these lessons learned.

Your goodness and Your mercy are still a-running after me. You bless me with a feast of love before my enemies.

And maybe I am learning less is more.

Maybe You are op'ning other doors.

Maybe this is time to be restored.

Maybe, maybe I am richer than before.

#### Sermon

This Is a Test Major Treadway

# **Time of Reflection and Response** *Be Thou My Vision*

\*Hymn of Service and Departing 660

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O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

**MARYTON** 

arr. Forrest

\*Benediction

**Major Treadway** 

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#### THE COMING WEEK AT FBC

## Sunday, August 18

5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

## Monday, August 19

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

8:00pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

## Tuesday, August 20

12:00pm Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Office

#### Wednesday, August 21

5:00pm Deacon's Meeting/Parlor

5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

6:00pm Common Prayer, Bible Study, Music Ste

## Thursday, August 22

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles7:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

## Friday, August 23—Church Office Closed

#### Sunday, August 25

9:30am Bible Study Classes for Adults/Various Rooms

9:30am Chancel Ensemble Rehearsal/Sanctuary

10:45am Worship Service/Sanctuary or Facebook

and Youtube

10:45am Children's Bible Study/Birth-K Room 119,

1st-5th grade Room 218

5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

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