



FOURTH SUNDAY
in
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“Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.”

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

My Savior's Love

Charles Gabriel

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

* Opening Words

Working Preacher

One: You sent Moses to speak law to the people and bring order to chaos.

People: You sent prophets to speak repentance and bring hope to the hopeless.

One: You sent your Son, Jesus, to become your Living Word.

People: Open our ears to hear your word and our hearts to reflect the light of your truth to others for the sake of Jesus.

* Opening Prayer

* Opening Song

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Paul Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.

Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see you, I want to see you. (repeat)

To see you high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory.

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.

Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see you, I want to see you.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you. (repeat)

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Time with Our Children

Congregational Prayer

Song *Christ be in my mind (Teresa's Prayer)* # 1 | 1 3 3

Christ be in my mind and in my thinking,
Christ be in my eyes, in everything I see,
Christ be in my ears and in my hearing,
Christ be in my mouth, in every word I speak,
Christ be in my heart and in my loving,
Christ be in my life, each moment that I live.

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Thoughts on Giving

Our lives are surrounded by things that steal our lives, inflict and destroy us. The tithes and offering we share this day are a way of keeping us focused not on the things that would take life away but will renew our lives: hope, love, compassion, empathy.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Special Music *Pavane* Gabriel Faure

Scripture Lesson Luke 16:19-31 (NRSV)

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being

tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Sermon “Income Disparity and Jesus”

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*** Closing Hymn** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (vv. 1-3) #37

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
All who hear; now to God’s temple draw near.
Join me in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy heart’s wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper thy work and defend thee.
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
as with his love he befriends thee.

*** Benediction** (in unison)

Sarum Liturgy, England, 13th Cent., Alt.

**God be in your head, and in your understanding.
God be in your eyes, and in your looking.
God be in your mouth, and in your speaking.
God be in your heart, and in your thinking.
God be at your end, and at your departing.**

*** Postlude**

More Like the Master

Charles Gabriel

** Please stand as able and led*



Pastor	David Whitten
Worship Leader	Bob Gangwer
Children’s Time	Terrie Glass
Song Leader	Bob Gangwer
Special Music	Sarah Beers & Bob Phillips
Flautist.....	Sarah Beers
Guitarist	David Whitten
Pianist.....	Bob Phillips
Dir. of Technology & Media.....	Kevin Beers

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