



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost;  
**Stewardship Sunday**

## **Sunday Worship (In-Person & Online)**

October 10, 2021, 10 a.m.  
First United Methodist Church of Riverside

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ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN-PERSON OR ONLINE AT 10:00 AM

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(Audio Only: To listen to Sunday Livestreaming - Call 1-877-755-5136)

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

\*Please stand if you are able.

**PRELUDE:** *"Contemplation"* (By Richard I. Purvis) / Robert Phillips, Organist

\***TRINITY BELLS** / Robert Phillips, Organist

\***CHORALE INTROIT:** *"Make a Joyful Noise"* (By Jane M. Marshall) / The Aldersgate Chorale; Directed by Yvonne Flagg

\***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from Hebrews 4) / Greg Laird, Liturgist  
(Liturgist) Come and worship.

**(People) God is here.**

(Liturgist) Listen for God's word.

**(People) It is alive and active.**

(Liturgist) Draw near to the source of mercy.

**(All) The God of grace is with us! Amen!**

\***OPENING HYMN:** #170 *"O How I Love Jesus"* (Words by Frederick Whitfield; Music: 19<sup>th</sup> century USA melody) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

#### **Verse 1**

**There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.**

### Refrain

O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
because he first loved me!

### Verse 2

It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free;  
it tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea.

[Refrain]

### Verse 3

It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe;  
who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below.

[Refrain]

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (UNISON)** (Adapted from Ps 22, Mark 10)

Holy One, we call upon your name this day. When you seem most absent, we yearn to hear your voice. When you seem most present, we long to follow your teachings. Be with us now. Strengthen and guide us, that we may trust your call and follow your lead. In doubt, in trust, but most of all in hope, we pray. Amen.

**PRAYER RESPONSE:** *"This Is Our Prayer"* (By Sally Ahner) / The Aldersgate Chorale  
(Directed by Yvonne Flagg)

CHILDREN'S TIME / Greg Laird

**ANTHEM:** *"All Praise to Thee"* (By Thomas Tallis, arranged by Marie Pooler) / The Aldersgate Chorale (Directed by Yvonne Flagg)

**\*GOSPEL READING:** Mark 10:17-31 (NRSV) / Greg Laird, Liturgist

*The Rich Man*

<sup>17</sup>As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and

you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age – houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions – and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

(Liturgist) This is the Gospel of Christ!

(All) Glory to You, O Christ! Amen!

**SERMON: "CERTAIN FAITH IN UNCERTAIN TIMES"** (Stewardship Sermon: 1 of 2) /  
The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION: #467 "Trust and Obey"** (Verses 1, 2 & 3 only) (Words by John H. Sammis, Music by Daniel B. Towner) / Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips

### Verse 1

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,  
what a glory he sheds on our way!

While we do his good will, he abides with us still,  
and with all who will trust and obey.

### Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

### Verse 2

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss,  
not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

[Refrain]

### Verse 3

**But we never can prove the delights of his love  
until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows,  
for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.  
[Refrain]**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Greg Laird, Liturgist**

Jesus challenged the rich man to sell what he had and give to the poor. He challenges us today to be generous in our giving, trusting God's provision for our lives.  
**(All) Amen!**

**HOW TO GIVE / Greg Laird, Liturgist**

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Thank you so much for being faithful to God through our Church!

**\*DOXOLOGY:** #95 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* / All (Led by Kris Lovekin, Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING / Led by Greg Laird, Liturgist**

**Generous God, we bring you our gifts today. We recognize that all we have comes from you. May these gifts bring hope to places of pain and need. We want to be followers of Jesus, who leads us from greed into service. We offer ourselves. Amen.**

**LEGACY GIVING MOMENT: "Dave Mann & Oliver Moore" / Bill Ashworth**

**LAITY BLESSINGS / Mimi Luker, Co-Lay Leader**

**\*SENDING HYMN:** #369 *"Blessed Assurance"* (Words by Fanny J. Crosby; Music by Phoebe P. Knapp) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**Verse 1**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

**Refrain**

This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

**Verse 2**

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

[Refrain]

**Verse 3**

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

[Refrain]

**\*BENEDICTION** / The Rev. J. T. Kim

**POSTLUDE:** *"Prelude on Blessed Assurance"* (By Gordon Young) / Robert Phillips, Organist

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**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**(Since August 2021)**

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