WORSHIP GUIDE: SUNDAY AM — November 12th, 2023 – 10:15am

Growing in Christlikeness

Welcome: [Pastor Bernie]

- Deacon Care Groups today
- Scripture Focus: Philippians 2:19-30 Timothy and Epaphroditus. Last week we examined how the example of these men gave us a theology of discipleship. This week we will observe how these men give us a model of personal growth. How ought we to grow in Christlike maturity?
- Service Focus: We will praise God, remember Jesus, and consider Philippians 2:19-30 together.

PRAISE TO THE ETERNAL GOD

Call to Worship: Psalm 100 [Pastor Bernie]

LEADER:

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

CONGREGATION:

³Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

LEADER:

⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

CONGREGATION:

⁵For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Congregational Song: To You Alone [Sing 3 stanzas]

Let us join our hearts together and give thanks in one accord. We would glorify the Father and give praise to Christ, our Lord. O, indwelling Holy Spirit, guide our thoughts and tongues we pray, For our pride and selfish vanity too often cloud our praise.

To You alone we sing today; To You alone our prayers we raise. To You alone we give the glory, For You alone, Lord, are worthy of our praise.

O, what joy there is in knowing Jesus Christ is lord of all, That each step in my life's journey is in answer to His call In the cheerful meditation that His blood has ransomed me, I find hope and reassurance His plan is best for me.

To You alone we sing today; To You alone our prayers we raise. To You alone we give the glory, For You alone, Lord, are worthy of our praise.

Congregational Song: How Great Thou Art [Sing 3 stanzas]

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in – That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

REMEMBER JESUS: THE SACRIFICIAL SERVANT

Scripture: Mark 10:35-45 [Pastor Steve]

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." 36 And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" 37 And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." 38 Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" 39 And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 42 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Congregational Song: Alas and Did My Savior Bleed? [Sing both stanzas]

Alas, and did my Savior bleed And did my Sovereign die? Would He devote that sacred head For such a worm as I? Was it for sins that I had done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown And love beyond degree

My God, why would You shed Your blood So pure and undefiled To make a sinful one like me Your chosen, precious child? Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut His glories in When Christ, the mighty Maker, died For man, the creature's, sin Thus might I hide my blushing face While His dear cross appears Dissolve my heart in thankfulness And melt my eyes to tears

My God, why would You shed Your blood So pure and undefiled To make a sinful one like me Your chosen, precious child?

Congregational Song: Rock of Ages [Sing all 4 stanzas]

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed, be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hands I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling; Barren, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

*Children 3yr – 6th Grade dismissed to back

Message: Philippians 2:19-30 [Pastor Steve]

¹⁹ I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be cheered by news of you. ²⁰ For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. ²¹ For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. ²² But you know Timothy's proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel. ²³ I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, ²⁴ and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.

²⁵ I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need, ²⁶ for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. ²⁸ I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. ²⁹ So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, ³⁰ for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

Congregational Song: Piano plays during time of personal prayer

Announcements: [Pastor]

- Deacon Care Groups Today
- Next Sunday, November 19th Lovealls will be with us
- Thanksgiving Day Service November 23rd from 10:00-11:00am
 - $\circ \quad \text{Thanksgiving Offering Reminder} \\$
- Christmas Choir 1st Rehearsal is next week. Sign up on link from email.