

# July 3, 2022 | 10:00 AM | Worship Guide

## † GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

### Welcome & Announcements

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### Call to Worship

\*Opening Songs.....We Hunger and Thirst  
.....Your Name is Matchless

### \*God's Word of Greeting

Children's Song of Praise.....To Be Like Jesus

## † GOD SHOWS US HIS GRACE

### Prayer of Confession

### God's Word of Assurance

Song of Response.....PH436 This is My Fathers World

### God's Call to Faithful Living

Song of Thankfulness.....In Christ Alone

**Bethany Kids 3-5 are dismissed**

Prayers of God's People and for the proclamation of the Word

## † GOD'S SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

**Bible reading:** Isaiah 58:6-11, Matthew 25:31-40, Luke 14:12-14

**Message title:** "I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

**Prayer of blessing on the message & the offering**

## † WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY AND COMMITMENT

### Thankful giving

**Offering:** Ministries here at Bethany + Hands at Work-Zambia

\*Song of Response.....PH601 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

### \*God's Word of Blessing

\*Closing Song of Praise.....As You Go

### \*Postlude

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"



Isaiah 58: 6-11

Matthew 25: 31-40

Luke 14: 12-14

Three Questions you can ask of every sermon:

### 1. What is God doing in the story?

*In this story/sermon, God is...*

### 2. What is God saying to me?

*I hear God's voice saying through the passage/pastor...*

### 3. What do we get to do?

*Because God is doing \_\_\_\_\_, we get to...*

### **Isaiah 58:6-11**

“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:

to loose the chains of injustice

and untie the cords of the yoke,

to set the oppressed free

and break every yoke?

7 Is it not to share your food with the hungry

and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—

when you see the naked, to clothe them,

and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

8 Then your light will break forth like the dawn,

and your healing will quickly appear;

then your righteousness[a] will go before you,

and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard.

9 Then you will call, and the Lord will answer;

you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

“If you do away with the yoke of oppression,

with the pointing finger and malicious talk,

10 and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry

and satisfy the needs of the oppressed,

then your light will rise in the darkness,

and your night will become like the noonday.

11 The Lord will guide you always;

he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land

and will strengthen your frame.

You will be like a well-watered garden,

like a spring whose waters never fail.

### **Matthew 25:31-40**

#### **The Sheep and the Goats**

**31** “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. **32** All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. **33** He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

**34** “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

**37** “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

**40** “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

### **Luke 14:12-14**

**12** Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. **13** But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, **14** and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

**1. \*Mark\* the names/titles of all the different people in this passage.** *Who all is involved? Who is present? Imagine the story from their point of view. Who do you most identify with?*

**2. Circle all the words that refer to God: names, adjectives, etc.**  
*What does this text teach us about who God is?*

**3. Underline the verbs**  
*What is God doing? What are others doing? What are we invited to do?*

**4. Put a box around a sentence, phrase, or word that stands out to you.**  
*What do you think the Spirit is saying to you through this passage?*

**5. Journal a short prayer of response/thanksgiving**