

# Sunday Service

May 12, 2024

Worship  
Leader

## PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Theme of the Day: He is Able

Rev. Albert  
Gillin

### *How Great Thou Art (Hymn)*

Ms. Sarah  
Thomson

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice and be glad!

People: The Heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the people behold His glory.

Leader: For You, O LORD, are most high over all the earth.

People: You are exalted far above all gods.

Leader: The LORD loves those who hate evil; He guards the lives of His faithful.

ALL: We rejoice in the LORD and give thanks to His holy name!

(adapted from Psalm 97)

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

Rev. Gillin

### *Mighty To Save*

Mr. G.  
Louis  
Hemenway

### *Goodness Of God*

### DISMISSAL & BLESSING OF CHILDREN & TEACHERS

Rev. Gillin

### CONFESSION

Invitation

Unison Prayer:

Holy and merciful Father, we are anxious and fearful people. We hide our faces from You in shame and regret as the sin of this world and in our own lives weighs heavy on our hearts and minds. In anguish, we cry aloud, "What can we do?," and all the while You, our good and Loving Father, waits on us in eager anticipation for us to turn our hearts to You. We repent now and receive the promise of Your forgiveness and the hope of salvation. Amen

### AFFIRMATION (ASSURANCE OF GRACE MERCY & PEACE)

### *Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult #399*

Ms.  
Thomson

**SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY: Matthew 19:13-30**

(p. 696)

Then little children were brought to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them.

14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." 15 When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.

16 Now a man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?"

17 "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, obey the commandments."

18 "Which ones?" the man inquired.

19 Jesus replied, " 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, honor your father and mother,' and 'love your neighbor as yourself.' "

20 "All these I have kept," the young man said. "What do I still lack?"

21 Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

22 When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

23 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. 24 Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

25 When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished and asked, "Who then can be saved?"

26 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

27 Peter answered him, "We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?"

28 Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. 30 But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first."

Mr. Steve  
Reiff

**SERMON**

"Children and God's Goodness"

Rev. Gillin

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

*The Father's House*

Mr.  
Hemenway

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

*Doxology #382*

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**POSTLUDE**

Mr. Dolph