

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
9:30 PARKING LOT & 11:00 BULLETIN**

Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**OPENING SCRIPTURE: New Testament Lesson Luke 9: 51-62  
9:30 Chris Berry 11:00 Sharon Riley**

**Samaritan Opposition**

<sup>51</sup> As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" <sup>55</sup> But Jesus turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then he and his disciples went to another village.

**The Cost of Following Jesus**

<sup>57</sup> As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." <sup>59</sup> He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

<sup>61</sup> Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

<sup>62</sup> Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

**\*HYMN "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Hymnal 220**

1. Angels from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye who sang creation's story  
now proclaim Messiah's birth:

***Refrain:***

Come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the newborn king.

2. Shepherds, in the field abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing;  
yonder shines the infant light:

***(Refrain)***

3. Sages, leave your contemplations,

brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great Desire of nations;  
ye have seen his natal star:

***(Refrain)***

4. Saints, before the altar bending,  
watching long in hope and fear;  
suddenly the Lord, descending,  
in his temple shall appear:

***(Refrain)***

**WELCOME          Pastor Scott Clawson**

**CALL TO WORSHIP 9:30 Chris Berry 11:00 Richard Riley**

God is a God who calls.

**We have gathered to worship and to hear that call.**

God is a God who equips.

**We are here to worship and to be shaped into the body of Christ.**

God is a God who sends.

**We are here to worship so that we can carry that spirit of worship out into the world where we live.**

God is a God who blesses.

**We are here to worship and to request a double share of that blessing.**

Let us worship God.

**Amen!**

**CAN I GET A WITNESS?**

**HYMN "Abide With Me"          Hymnal 700 V1-3**

1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

3. I need thy presence every passing hour.  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORDS PRAYER

### HYMN "Abide With Me"

Hymnal 700 V4-5

4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5. Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

### Gospel Lesson 1 Kings 19: 13-21

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<sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

<sup>14</sup> He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too."

<sup>15</sup> The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. <sup>16</sup> Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. <sup>17</sup> Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. <sup>18</sup> Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him."

### The Call of Elisha

<sup>19</sup> So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. <sup>20</sup> Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. "Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye," he said, "and then I will come with you." "Go back," Elijah replied. "What have I done to you?" <sup>21</sup> So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his servant.

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Anthem (11:00)**

### **Sermon "We Got Big Buts..." Pastor Scott Clawson**

#### **HYMN "Where He Leads" Hymnal 338**

1. I can hear my Savior calling,  
I can hear my Savior calling,  
I can hear my Savior calling,  
"Take thy cross and follow, follow me."

***Refrain:***

Where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow;  
I'll go with him, with him all the way.

2. I'll go with him through the garden,  
I'll go with him through the garden,  
I'll go with him through the garden,  
I'll go with him, with him all the way.

***(Refrain)***

3. I'll go with him through the judgment,  
I'll go with him through the judgment,  
I'll go with him through the judgment,  
I'll go with him, with him all the way.

***(Refrain)***

4. He will give me grace and glory,  
He will give me grace and glory,  
He will give me grace and glory,  
and go with me, with me all the way.

***(Refrain)***

#### **BENEDICTION Pastor Scott Clawson**

Go out into the world in peace.  
Live as those who have already passed from death to life.  
Give aid and be willing to receive it,  
trust and be trusted,  
forgive and be forgiven,  
give respect and be respected,  
love and be willing to be loved.  
In the name of the three person'd God I bless you.  
Grace mercy and peace be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Amen!*

## Postlude: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal 95

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

Great Buts of the Bible

Notice in these scriptures the difference that a holy 'but' makes.

Romans 3: 21-23 <sup>21</sup> **BUT** now, irrespective of law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ<sup>Ⓜ</sup> for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup> since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, **BUT** the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 5:8 "**BUT** God demonstrates his love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

1 John 4:18 "There is no fear in love. **BUT** perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love."

1 Peter 3:13-14 "Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? **BUT** even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. 'Do not fear what they fear, do not be frightened.'"

Psalms 73:26 "My flesh and my heart may fail, **BUT** God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

1 John 3:18 "Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue **BUT** with actions and in truth."

1 Corinthians 2:9-10 "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him, **BUT** God has revealed it to us by His Spirit."

Matthew 6:33 "**BUT** seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well."

Galatians 5: 22-23 "**BUT** the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law."

Genesis 50:20 "You intended to harm me, **BUT** God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives."

Romans 12:2 "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, **BUT** be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is... His good, pleasing and perfect will."

Matthew 6:19-20 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. **BUT** store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal."

Matthew 7:21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord', will enter the kingdom of heaven, **BUT** only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven."