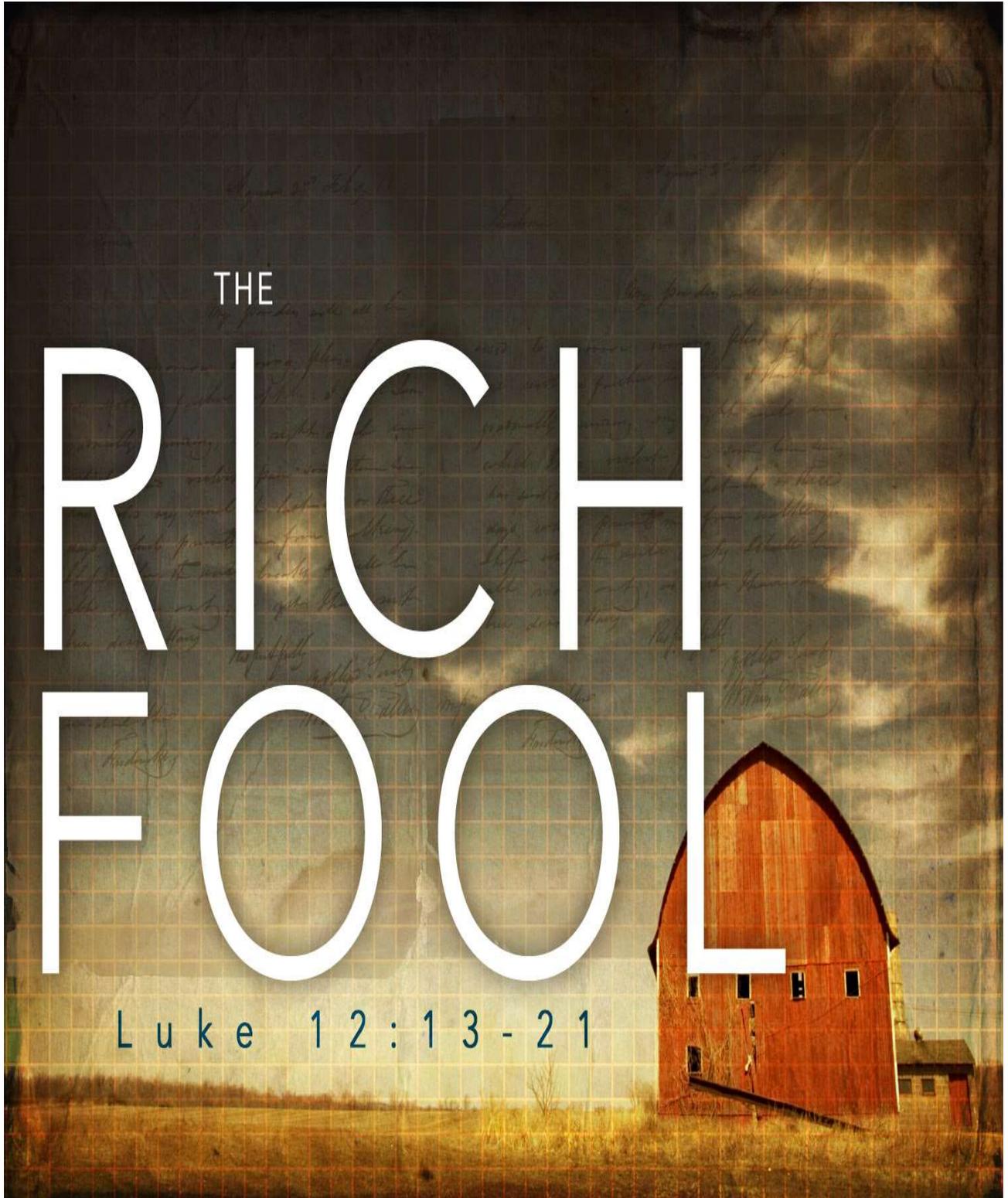


Grace Community Presbyterian Church
September 11, 2022

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Thought for Meditation:

“What do you think it is that drives people to want far more than they could ever use or need? I frankly think it's insecurity. How do we let the world know that the trappings of this life are not the things that are ultimately important for being accepted?” *Fred Rogers*

Prelude Jesus Loves Me Travis

Welcome and Announcements Doug Marshall

Call To Worship Psalm 71:22-23 Cathy Brady

L: I will praise you for your faithfulness, O my God;

P: I will sing praises to you, O Holy One of Israel

L: My lips will shout for joy when I sing praises to you,

P: For you have rescued my soul.

L: Let us join our voices in joyful adoration.

P: Let us sing to the God of glory, the Lord of love.

* **Hymn of Praise** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #90

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Silent Prayer of Confession...*

Assurance of Forgiveness Romans 5:1-2

L: We are set right with God through faith.

P: We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: Through Jesus we have received the grace of God in which we stand.

P: Through Jesus we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

L: O people of God, hear and live in the good news:

P: Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

ALL: Alleluia! Amen.

* Passing of the Peace

L: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Please pass the peace of Christ to your neighbors in the pews and introduce yourself to those you do not know.

* **Glory Be To The Father** #813

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen. Amen.

Duet	You Are Mine	Judy Barbiaux, Wendy Aurednik
Scripture	Luke 12:13-21	
Sermon	The Barn Builder	
* Hymn of Response	Have Thine Own Way, Lord	#591
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	
	I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended to heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.	
Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer		
Call for Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	More Love to Thee	Travis
* Doxology		#815
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
* Prayer of Dedication		
* Hymn of Dedication	We Are an Offering	#678
* Charge and Benediction		
* Congregational Response	We Are an Offering	#678
	All that we have, all that we are, All that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to You; We are an offering, we are an offering.	
* Postlude	Fugue in C	Bach

The ideas for this sermon come from Eugene Peterson's book, "Tell It Slant: a conversation on the language of Jesus in his stories and prayers."

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

Welcome to Grace Community Presbyterian Church this morning. Beulah Brown will be your greeter today. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in Cana Hall after worship today. Sharon Rupert will be your host.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST(S) AND GREETER(S) NEEDED Please sign up to volunteer to be a coffee fellowship host and/or a greeter. Sign-up sheets on the bulletin board by the office. Thanks in advance.

Holy Habits: For the Christian Journey

Does God think we want too much, or too little from Him? C.S. Lewis once wrote, "If we consider the unblushing promises of reward and the staggering nature of the rewards promised in the Gospels, it would seem that our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased."

If you desire more from your own spiritual life at this point in time (who could ever be satisfied?) you are invited to cultivate a "holy greed for God." To grow spiritually, each person needs to develop certain Holy Habits, spiritual practices that will help us to know God better, to love God more deeply, and to serve God more faithfully. Join the Adult Sunday School class as we look at ten Holy Habits, using Richard Foster's classic book, Celebration of Discipline. These Holy Habits are activities we do, through which God will work in our lives, transforming us and renewing us in His image.

Next Week – THE HABIT OF PRAYER - Sunday, September 18 @ 9:00AM in the Library. Led by Pastor Doug Marshall

TODAY'S MUSIC: "Jesus Loves Me" first appeared in a novel, Say and Seal, published in 1860. The book was co-authored by Susan and Anna Warner, and the hymn itself was written by Anna. In Say and Seal the hymn was sung to a very ill little boy by his beloved school teacher and friend. The child-like faith expressed in "Jesus Loves Me" was inspired by Anna's own profound faith in God.

Susan and Anna Warner are the only civilians buried in the military cemetery at West Point - an unusual exception to the rules! Their uncle, the Rev. Thomas Warner, had been the Academy Chaplain, and the sisters taught Bible classes for cadets for 40 years. We can only wonder at the powerful effect their humble ministry had on the cadets to be accorded such a high honor.

"**You Are Mine**" is based on texts from Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know..."; Isaiah 43:1b, "Do not fear...you are mine"; and John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you; ... Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." The hymn is written as if God is speaking, assuring, comforting, and encouraging, in good times and troubling times. "You Are Mine" is a reminder that no matter where we are we may know that God is always there, calling to us, and inviting us to follow.

*I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice, I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am near*

*I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night I will be your light
Come and rest in Me*

*Do not be afraid, I am with you,
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me, I will bring you home
I love you and you are mine*

*I am strength for all the despairing,
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,
And all will know My name*

*I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
Stand up, now, walk, and live*

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September 11 - 17**

Sunday	Adult Sunday School Holy Habits: For the Christian Journey	9:00am
	Sunday School (all ages)	9:00am
	Fellowship & Nurture Meeting	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Youth Group	6:00pm
Monday	Mission Meeting	6:30pm
	Cub Scouts Committee Meeting	6:45pm
Tuesday	Bible Study	1:00pm
	Garden Club	6:30pm
Wednesday	Cub Scouts Pack Meeting	6:00pm
	Finance Meeting	6:30pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thursday	Ladies Club	6:30pm

**Looking Ahead
September 18 - 24**

September 18	Adult Sunday School	9:00am
	Sunday School (all ages)	9:00am
	Deacons Meeting	11:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Youth Group	6:00pm
September 20	Bible Study	1:00pm
September 21	Cub Scouts Den Meeting	6:00pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
September 22	Cub Scouts Den Meeting	6:00pm
	Men's Club	6:30pm
September 24	Rummage Sale	8am - 1pm

CALENDAR SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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