

This Week at Mansfield 1st

Announcements:

Please remember to continue your tithe “as the Lord leads you” while we are required to practice Social Distancing. You can either mail in your check to the church or tithe online:

Mansfield 1st EPC
399 S. Trimble Road
Mansfield, Ohio 44906

“People- Helping People”: Drop off your canned food items or fresh fruit and/or vegetables. Carey’s office hours are still Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 AM – 1 PM.

Sermon Link to You Tube: <https://www.mansfield1st.com/news-and-events/sermon-connect>

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests, updates on requests, or even words of “praise”, PLEASE call them into the church office so that we can get them out to the Prayer Chain at the following number (419) 756-7066. If Carey is not there, you can still leave a voice mail!

Our Denomination Has Approved “Virtual Communion”!

By special authorization of our Stated Clerk, hosting “Virtual Communion” is allowed during these “unusual circumstances”. Here are things to know:

“Virtual Communion” will be on Sunday, May 17, 2020

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY PREPARE using 1Corinthians 11:23-32 as scripture reading; then prayer together.

Have a cup with grape juice and either a small roll, crackers, matza, etc... prepared.

Pastor Denny will lead the communion service for you to share with those present.

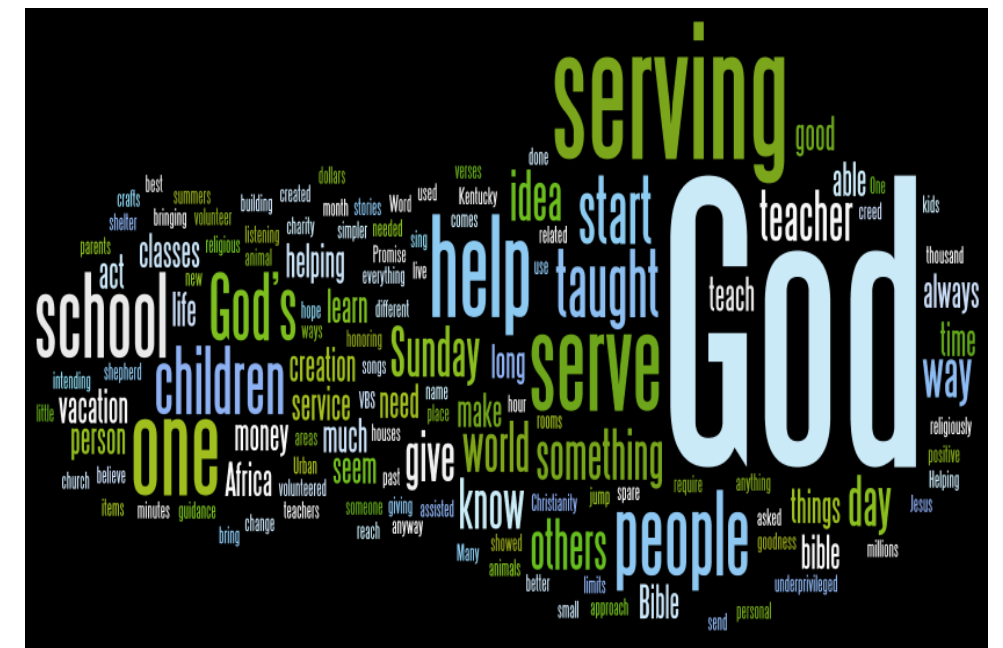
Please honor the “intent” and instructions according to our Reformed Traditions.

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“You Gotta Serve Somebody!”

Matthew 6:19-24

May 17, 2020

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Order of Worship

Online-Prerecorded

05-17-2020

Announcements

(See the end of the bulletin after Sermon Outline)

Mission Statement: *"We serve to build relationships.*

We build relationships to share the Gospel."

Call To Worship (Deuteronomy 10:12-14)

(Let's Prepare to Give Ourselves to Jesus)

ALL:

"And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it.

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Lord God, We have come to worship You as sinners in need of Your forgiveness. We have come tired from our work, in need of refreshment and re-creation. We come with worries, in need of Your guidance. But first, please lift us out of preoccupation with our own needs. Allow us to see You with eyes of faith and to hear You with ears of understanding that we may truly belong to You. Forgive us for not being thankful for our many blessings; help us to remember that You are the giver of every good and perfect gift. Awaken in us the longing to do what is right in Your eyes. May we never forget that You and You alone are where the joy is. In Jesus Name We Pray, Amen

Hymn of Praise

"Shout to the Lord"

REMINDER TO WORSHIP WITH TITHES

Scripture: Matthew 6:9-15

Sermon: *"How God Likes Us to Pray"*

Song of Response:

"Jesus, Messiah"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Our Confession of Faith Together: The Apostle's 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 into heaven; and sits 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

Invitation to the Table: Personal Preparation

Institution of the Sacrament: Blessing the Bread in Jesus' Name

Blessing the Cup in Jesus' Name

Distribution of the Elements:

PLEASE HOLD THE BREAD AND THE CUP SO THAT WE MAY TAKE THEM TOGETHER

Receive the Bread in Jesus' Name

Receive the Cup in Jesus' Name

***Closing Hymn:**

"Facing A Task Unfinished"

Benediction

(Asking for God's Blessing Upon Us)

Sermon Series: Outward Versus Inward

"You Gotta Serve Somebody!"

Matthew 6:19-24

I. **"What Do You See?"** [Matthew 6:22-23]

II. **"Jesus' Diagnosis of Our Spiritual-Eyesight's Health."**

A. **Un-Healthy Vision:** *"A Focus Upon Earthly Treasures"*

[Matthew 6:19]

- **"Spiritual Cataracts":**

- **"Spiritual Presbyopia":**

- **"Spiritual Glaucoma":**

B. **Healthy Vision:** *"A Focus Upon Heavenly Treasures"*

[Matthew 5:16; 6:20, 33]

- **The First Treasure:** spend time with *"Our Father who is in heaven"*

- **The Second Treasure:** *"Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven".*

- **The Third Treasure:** *"let your light shine before others... "*

III. **"Jesus' Offers Us Exercises for Healthy Sight".** [Matthew 6:21]

1. **Exercise Repetition #1:** *"Improve Your TIME WITH JESUS".*

2. **Exercise Repetition #2:** *"Improve in 1 Area of OBEDIENCE TO JESUS".*

- 3. **Exercise Repetition #3:** *"Improve in Your WITNESS TO JESUS".*

- **Summary:** **3 Things to Remember** About *HAVING HEALTHY EYESIGHT WITH JESUS.*

1. Jesus Cares About the Health of Our Spiritual-Eye-Sight.

Jesus Wants Our Focus to Be Upon "Heavenly Treasures".

Our "Heavenly Treasures" Are Found Only in Loving and Serving God.

LET'S PRAY...