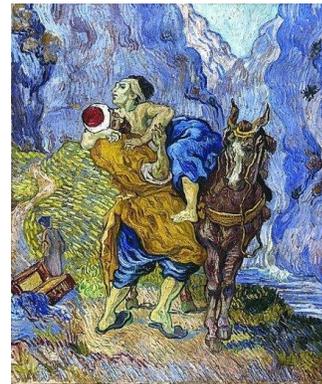


*Virtual Worship Service for the Lord's Day*  
*Proper 10, Sunday, July 10, 2022*  
*Crossnore Presbyterian Church*  
*200 Chapel Drive, P.O. Box 386*  
*Crossnore, NC 28616*



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Good Samaritan, Vincent van Gogh

Welcome and Announcements (PDF attachment)

Choral Call to Worship # 175 *Seek Ye First*  
<https://youtu.be/4C-fIDs33Dg> - Chris Brunelle

Seek Ye First The Kingdom Of God  
And His Righteousness  
And All These Things Shall Be Added Unto You  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

You Shall Not Live By Bread Alone  
But By Every Word  
That Proceeds From The Mouth Of God  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Ask And It Shall Be Given Unto You  
Seek And Ye Shall Find  
Knock And It Shall Be Opened Unto You  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Call to Worship:

Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great –  
**God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.**  
Let us worship God today, for God is good –  
**God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.**  
Let us worship God today –  
**Because we are God's people.**  
Let us praise and worship God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

Hymn of Praise # 475 *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
<https://youtu.be/XKOoeTbjSel> - Celtic Worship

NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
mount of God's unchanging love!  
Here I raise my Ebenezer;  
hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart; O take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

**Call to Confession:**

We are invited to pray - all who have hurt someone else, and all who have been hurt by another. We are called to pray: for hope, for healing, for mercy. We pray to the One who seeks to make us whole; whose will it is to restore us to new life. Let us confess our sins before God and each other.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**

God, we do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you invite us to share our weaknesses and failures with you. Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others. Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need. Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us, rather than seeking peace and reconciliation for our world. Forgive us, merciful God. Open our eyes to our sisters and brothers all around us. Open our ears to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors of your kingdom, that all might find life with you (moment of silent confession). In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

Here is the good news, my friends: Christ came searching for us, calling us by name, leading us into God's kingdom.

In Christ, we become new people: broken, we are made whole; lost, we are found; forsaken, we are restored to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

**Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 647 Give Thanks**

GIVE THANKS

<https://youtu.be/X9-PxeNrd9c> - Cece Winans & Nashville Life Music Team

Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given  
Jesus Christ, His Son

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us

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#### **First Lesson: Colossians 1:1-14**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### **Special Music: *My Life Flows On***

<https://youtu.be/VLPP3XmYxXg>: NYC Virtual Choir and Orchestra

#### **Second Lesson: Luke 10:25-37**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and

took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**Sermon: "A Story that Challenges Our Perception" (PDF attachment)**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

**Affirmation of Faith: A Portion of the Brief Statement of Faith**

**In life and in death we belong to God.**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,**

**and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,  
Fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:**

**preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed  
and blessing the children,  
healing the sick**

**and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts,**

**forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,**

**suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.**

**God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,**

**breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**Hymn of Meditation # 451 *Open My Eyes that I May See***

**OPEN MY EYES**

**<https://youtu.be/-PcYNJdxOCA> – First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte**

**Open my eyes, that I may see  
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.**

**Place in my hands the wonderful key  
that shall unclasp and set me free.**

**Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.**

**Open my eyes; illumine me,  
Spirit divine!**

**Open my ears, that I may hear  
voices of truth thou sendest clear.**

**And while the wave notes fall on my ear,  
everything false will disappear.**

**Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.**

**Open my ears; illumine me,  
Spirit divine!**

**Open my mouth, and let me bear  
gladly the warm truth everywhere.  
Open my heart, and let me prepare  
love with thy children thus to share.**

**Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart; illumine me,  
Spirit divine!**

**Prayers of the People:**

God of love, give us a deep love for you,  
so that we can see the world as you see it,  
feel the compassion you feel,  
and be a people whose lives mediate your love to others.

So open our eyes that we might see what the Good Samaritan saw.  
Grant us the insight to see the need in others,  
the wisdom to know what to do, and the will to do it.

And so we pray for all those, who in many and various ways,  
have been stripped, beaten and left for dead.

We pray for children who must grow up  
in the most awful of circumstances,  
especially for those starved of love, or food, or shelter or security.  
May they receive the future you have planned for them.

We pray for those we might cross the road to avoid.  
Who have been excluded socially because of their race,  
class, religion, gender, or their history.  
May the dignity that is theirs be restored to them.

We pray for those whose need we would rather not face up to,  
because it requires action of us,  
those who suffer atrocities because of war, unjust trade rules,  
or oppressive governments.  
May the world receive a true picture of their suffering  
and the factors that cause it, that justice may be done.

Open our eyes, that we might not cross the road from human need.  
Give us a deep love for you,  
that we might see your love at work in this world,  
and that we might Go and do likewise.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, who loves all, and taught us to pray:  
Our Father...Amen.

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:**

God has so richly blessed you this past week. Count your blessings and then count the ways you want to dedicate your life to God's ministry of compassion in the coming week. Let us receive this morning's offering.

**Doxology # 608**

**GOD (Hopson)**

<https://youtu.be/VXKULgrCpUg> - First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, Alabama

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise triune God, whom we adore.**

**Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

Gracious and merciful God, as you have done with us, may we do for others, holding nothing back, but offering our treasures and lives that hope may be restored, that healing might touch the broken, that the suffering might be revived, and that all might know of your steadfast love in their lives. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**Closing Hymn #744 *Arise, Your Light is Come***

**FESTAL SONG**

<https://youtu.be/Md3Fb8nQGWO> - University Place Presbyterian Church

**Arise, your light has come!  
The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God  
which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light has come!  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captive's liberty,  
good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light has come!  
All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokenhearted ones  
and comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light has come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing,  
God's power will make us strong.**

**Charge and Benediction:**

Go from this time of worship  
as witnesses of what you have seen and heard.  
Share God's love with those you meet.  
Bring hope to those who are in despair.  
Live lives of gratitude and praise.  
And may the love of God, the peace of Jesus Christ,  
and the ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit  
be within you and among you until we meet again.

**Amen.**

**Postlude: Down By the Riverside**

<https://youtu.be/nQ1gHm8v3ek>: Playing for Change (celebrating the 100th Playing For Change video)