

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

March 11, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Steve Hollaway

PRELUDE

Carrie Todd and Heather Littlefield

****CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Ephesians 2:8-10)

We are what God has made us,

created to do good works that God has prepared for us.

This is not our own doing,

Grace is the gift of God.

Come, join in this time of worship:

May we prepare for the good work God has given us;

May we prepare to follow Jesus.

****HYMN**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

#345

****INVOCATION (Unison)**

Lord Jesus, we come here to focus our thoughts on you. We gather to pray to you. But we know that you are not calling us merely to think and pray, but to act on your behalf in the world you love. Keep us from being observers of this world, as if it were someone else's responsibility. Help us not to be overwhelmed by evil or human need, so that we retreat to a safe place where we can fellowship with you. Give us that deep love which you have, love that shows itself in touching and healing and feeding and sacrifice.

****THE LORD'S PRAYER** (using 'sins')

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 7:24-27 (Pew Bible NT p. 7)

CHILDREN'S SONG: *The Wise Man Built His House upon the Rock*

The wise man built his house upon the rock (3x)

And the rains came tumbling down.

The rains came down and the floods came up (3x)

But the house on the rock stood firm.

The foolish man built his house upon the sand (3x)

And the rains came tumbling down.

The rains came down and the floods came up (3x)

And the house on the sand fell flat.

*** All who are able, please stand*

EPISTLE READING: James 2:14-17 (NLT), 1 John 3:18 (CEB)

¹⁴What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone?¹⁵ **Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, ¹⁶and you say, "Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well"—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do?**

¹⁷So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

¹⁸**Little children, let's not love with words or speech but with action and truth.**

****OFFERTORY HYMN**

#658

Let Your Heart Be Broken

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Carrie Todd and Heather Littlefield

****THE DOXOLOGY**

(#706)

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Pastor

SERMON

Steve Hollaway



Thoughts and Prayers and Action

HYMN OF RESPONSE

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If We Just Talk of Thoughts and Prayers

SHARING JOYS, CONCERNS, AND OPPORTUNITIES

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

POSTLUDE

Carrie Todd