

**OUR WORSHIP OF THE LORD** November 13, 2022

**Pastor:** Reverend William Hough

**Organist/Choir Director:** Joyce Keedy

Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude:** "Prelude" F. Mendelssohn

**\*Call to Worship**

Come, let us present ourselves before our God.

Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.

**Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers.**

**We find strength for living as we praise God.**

Lay down your arrogance and false pride.

Admit your needs as you seek God's favors.

**We pour out our souls before the living God.**

**We do not withhold from God our misery and distress.**

God grants our petitions and gives us peace.

The counsel of our God gladdens our hearts.

**All-In God's presence there is fullness of joy.**

**As we meet together, we are encouraged and comforted.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:**

Worthy of Worship In Red Hymnal: 3

**Old Testament Lesson:** Psalm 100:1-5 pg. 936

**\*Hymn of Testimony:**

For the Beauty of the Earth In Red Hymnal: 44

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**Special Music:** "Let All Things Now Living"  
by The Praise Band"

**Offering:**

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
In Red Hymnal: 253

Offering Prayer

Offertory Music

**Children's Message**

**Dismissal of Children** Grades up to 5

**New Testament Lesson:** Acts 16:16-34 pg. 1720

**Message:** Thanksgiving Is Power Giving  
Rev. William Hough

**\*Hymn of Commitment:**

Shout to the Lord - Sing 2x In Black Hymnal 2074

**\*Benediction**

*Please stay seated and enjoy the Postlude.*

**Postlude:** "God is Our Refuge" B. Price

\*All who are able, please stand

.....  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Fellowship hour following morning worship.**

**Operation Christmas Child boxes are due today.**

**ACTC Thanksgiving baskets and monetary gifts are due  
November 16th – 18<sup>th</sup>.**

**Youth Group Meeting Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm.**

**Craft Time, Saturday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am thru 12:00 noon**

**Baby Shower for Alain & Ida is on November 19<sup>th</sup>  
at 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm.**

## **SERMON NOTES**

**Title:** Thanksgiving Is Power Giving

**Text:** Psalm 100:1-5; Acts 16:16-34

### **I. Introduction**

Throughout the scriptures, the believer time and again is exhorted to give thanks and praise unto God. The reason for this is that praise giving is power giving. This morning I'd like for us to see the powerful good that comes from giving God praise and thanks.

### **II. In What Ways is Thanksgiving Power Giving?**

A. First of all, thanksgiving is power giving in that it can liberate the believer.

B. Secondly, thanksgiving is power giving in that it can bless the lives of others.

C. Thirdly, thanksgiving is power giving in that it can strengthen the believers' Christian witness.

### **III. Conclusion**

**OUR WORSHIP OF THE LORD** November 20, 2022

**Pastor:** Reverend William Hough

**Organist/Choir Director:** Joyce Keedy

Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude:** “Allegro” J.B. Loeillet Martha Wylie, Flute

**\*Call to Worship**

Bless God, all people of faith and hope.

God has looked on us with great favor.

**God is our refuge and strength in times of trouble.**

**God is our guide and inspiration when things go well.**

God gives light to those who live in the shadows.

God offers stillness amid the turbulence of our times.

**We live in covenant with God, who gives us the best.**

**We are eager to give our best to God in return.**

By the tender mercy of our God, we meet for worship.

God has brought the dawn of a new day for our use.

**All-Praise God for signs and wonders all around us.**

**Praise God for peace and reconciliation.**

**Time of Praise and Thanksgiving:**

**\*Hymn:**

Thank You, Lord – 2x

**See Insert**

Praise and Testimonials

**\*Hymn:**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty In Red Hymnal: 14

**Old Testament Lesson:** Psalm 105:1-4 pg. 942

**\*Hymn:**

We Gather Together In Red Hymnal: 636

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

**Bell Choir:** “Be Still, My Soul” J. Sibelius, arr. by E. Rush

**Offering:**

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
In Red Hymnal: 253

Offering Prayer

Offertory Music

**Children’s Message**

**Dismissal of Children** Grades up to 5

**New Testament Lesson:** Luke 17:11-19 pg. 1629

**Message:** The Praise of Lepers  
Rev. William Hough

**\*Hymn:**

Now Thank We All Our God In Red Hymnal 638

**\*Benediction**

*Please stay seated and enjoy the Postlude.*

**Postlude:** “Now Thank We All Our God” J. Yates

*\*All who are able, please stand*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Church Council Meeting Following This Morning’s Service.  
Sunday School starts at 9:45 am – 10:30 am.

**ACTC Thanksgiving Offering total was \$330.00.**

**World Mission Offering total was \$618.00.**

December 11<sup>th</sup>, Children and Youth Christmas Presentation  
Following the Sunday Service, there will be  
a Christmas Time Celebration.

## **SERMON NOTES**

**Title:** The Praise of Lepers

**Text:** Psalm 105:1-4; Luke 17:11-19

### **I. Introduction**

Christ and the Gospel message can be found throughout all the Scriptures, and the same can be said concerning you and me (and humanity at large.) This is certainly true in regard to this morning's passage narrative, the miracle of Jesus cleansing the ten lepers. The spiritual reality is we are all like the lepers in this passage. This Sunday morning, I'd like for us to see in what ways we are like these lepers.

### **II. The Praise of Lepers.**

A. First of all, like the lepers we were separated from God.

B. Secondly, like the lepers Jesus has cleansed us.

C. Thirdly, like the lepers we have the choice of thanking Jesus for that cleansing or not.

### **III. Conclusion**

OUR WORSHIP OF THE LORD November 27, 2022

**Pastor:** Reverend William Hough

**Organist/Choir Director:** Joyce Keedy

Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude:** "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" G. Boehm

**\*Lighting of the Advent Hope Candle**

Tammy and Ken Geelhaar

**\*Hymn:**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus In Red Hymnal: 77

**Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 7:10-14 pg. 1071

**\*Hymn:**

Arise, Your Light Is Come In Red Hymnal: 83

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**Special Music:** "Of the Father's Love Begotten"  
(Divinum Mysterium)  
arr. by Joyce Keedy

**Doxology:** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
In Red Hymnal: 253

Offering Prayer  
Offertory Music

**Children's Message**

**Dismissal of Children** Grades up to 5

**New Testament Lesson:** John 1:1-18 pp. 1646, 1647

**Message:** The Impossibility of the Impossible  
Rev. William Hough

**\*Hymn:**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel In Red Hymnal 76

**\*Benediction**

*Please stay seated and enjoy the Postlude.*

**Postlude:** "Noel on a Sicilian Carol" A. Guilmant

\*All who are able, please stand

.....  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, Children & Youth Play Practice.**

**December 11<sup>th</sup>, Youth & Children Presentation of  
"Christmas in Reverse"  
followed by Christmas Cobbler & Coffee Event.**

**Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Caroling at 2:30 pm,  
meet at Calvary Church. Following caroling, there will be  
food and fellowship.**

## **SERMON NOTES**

**Advent Series:** When God Stepped into our Shoes

**Title:** The Impossibility of the Impossible

**Text:** Isaiah 7:10-14; John 1:1-18

### **I. Introduction**

There is no greater miracle than the Incarnation. That is God becoming one of us in Christ Jesus. Although it is difficult for our human intellect to grasp fully the concept of Jesus being fully God as well as fully human, it is vital to everything we do and say. This morning as we begin our Advent Series and the incarnation of Jesus, I'd like for us to consider what it means to worship our almighty miracle-working God.

### **II. The Impossibility of the Impossible.**

- A. First, to worship our almighty miracle-working God means we worship a God for whom nothing is impossible.
  
- B. Secondly, to worship our almighty miracle-working God means the believer need not live in fear.
  
- C. Thirdly, to worship an almighty miracle-working God empowers the believer to take the steps of faith God has called them to take.

### **III. Conclusion**