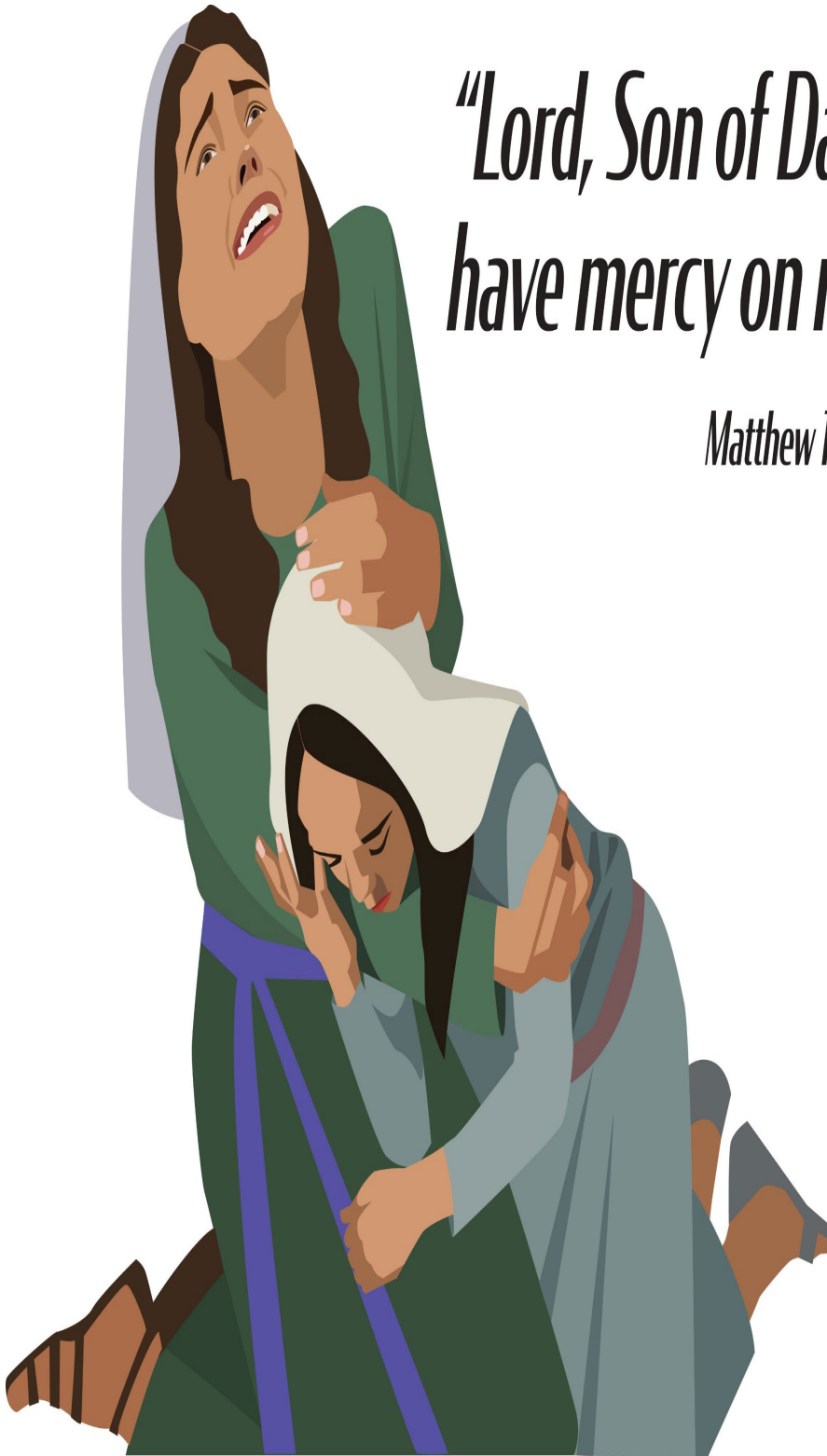


Waupun
United Methodist Church
August 20, 2023

*"Lord, Son of David,
have mercy on me!"*

Matthew 15:22, NIV



**Welcome to worship.
May you find the presence of God wherever you are.**

Prelude

Welcome

Musical Call to Worship

“For the Beauty of the Earth”
Lori Page/Laurie Vant Hoff

***Call to Worship**

Come, worship the One who lifts up the weak—
Come, adore the One who shelters the orphaned—
Come, worship the One who brings back the shunned—
Come, adore the One who touches the cursed—
Come, love the One who embraces our broken bodies and forgotten spirits, who retrieves our abandoned worlds and forsaken dreams.
Come, let us worship our God.

**And makes them grow strong.
And quiets their pain.
And welcomes them in.
And fills them with love.**

***Opening Hymn**

Black #2196

vs. 1 - 3

on supplement

“We Walk by Faith”

***Opening Prayer**

Gracious God of the universe, You have called us here from different walks of life. From our diverse backgrounds, You have knit us into a unified family of faith. We pray that, even as You have accepted us as we are, we can learn to accept others whose ways are different from our own. As we open our hearts to You, show us the way to open our hearts to others. In Your presence today, O God, may we worship together without exclusion and rejoice together without ceasing. Amen.

Message from/for the Children

“Breakfast for Gloria”

Hymn

Red #389

on supplement

“Freely, Freely”

Bible Reading

Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

¹⁰ Then Jesus called to the crowd to come and hear. “Listen,” he said, “and try to understand.

¹¹ It’s not what goes into your mouth that defiles you; you are defiled by the words that come out of your mouth.”

¹² Then the disciples came to him and asked, “Do you realize you offended the Pharisees by what you just said?”

¹³ Jesus replied, “Every plant not planted by my heavenly Father will be uprooted, ¹⁴ so ignore them. They are blind guides leading the blind, and if one blind person guides another, they will both fall into a ditch.”

¹⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Explain to us the parable that says people aren’t defiled by what they eat.”

¹⁶ “Don’t you understand yet?” Jesus asked. ¹⁷ “Anything you eat passes through the stomach and then goes into the sewer. ¹⁸ But the words you speak come from the heart—that’s what defiles you. ¹⁹ For from the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, all sexual immorality, theft, lying, and slander. ²⁰ These are what defile you. Eating with unwashed hands will never defile you.”

²¹ Then Jesus left Galilee and went north to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A Gentile woman who lived there came to him, pleading, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! For my daughter is possessed by a demon that torments her severely.”

²³ But Jesus gave her no reply, not even a word. Then his disciples urged him to send her away. “Tell her to go away,” they said. “She is bothering us with all her begging.”

²⁴ Then Jesus said to the woman, “I was sent only to help God’s lost sheep—the people of Israel.”

²⁵ But she came and worshiped him, pleading again, “Lord, help me!”

²⁶ Jesus responded, “It isn’t right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs.”

²⁷ She replied, “That’s true, Lord, but even dogs are allowed to eat the scraps that fall beneath their masters’ table.”

²⁸ “Dear woman,” Jesus said to her, “your faith is great. Your request is granted.” And her daughter was instantly healed.

New Living Translation (NLT)

Pastor’s Message

“Great was her faith.”

Tithes and Offerings

***Song of Thanksgiving on supplement**

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

Joys, Praise and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

***Closing Hymn**

Red #370

on supplement

“Victory in Jesus”

***Dismissal**

Let us leave this place with open arms

ready to embrace all those in our world.

In the mission fields of our lives,

let us welcome those of all races, creeds, and colors to the joy of the Lord in Christ Jesus.

Go forth in the name of the One who accepts us and shows us the way of acceptance.

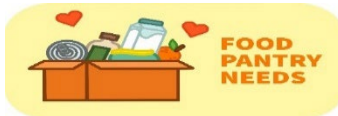
Amen.

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| Today's Worship Ministers: | All of us - wherever we are |
| Tech Operators: | Cole and Callan Bartlett |
| Pianist: | Sue Rens Guell |
| Worship Leader/Preacher: | Pastor Steve Miller |
| Counters: | Sue Duer and Marsha Schaub |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, August 21: SPRC – 5:15

Tuesday, August 22: Dream Team – 5:30



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| <p>August – Peanut butter and Jelly September - Cereal/Breakfast Items</p> |
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INTENSIVE PRAYER LIST

Phil Ruck Mike Duer Joyce Brown Tammy Kasuboski Bob Bradley
 Paula Wendt Ray Dolgner Ryan Giese Dolores Good Marilyn Siedschlag
 Those impacted by war in Ukraine The Confirmation class

Remember our homebound:

Hillside Manor, Beaver Dam: Joyce Berry
 Prairie Place, Ripon: Elaine Stanton
 Prairie Ridge, Waupun: June Witowich, Phyllis McDowell,
 Alice Chase, Betty Buchholz

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