

Early Service

Teaching | Responding | Communing

All Night in Prayer | Luke 6: 12-19

In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. 13 And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles: 14 Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, 15 and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, 16 and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

17 And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, 18 who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. 19 And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

Personal Reflection Question

Question: What “treasures” have you received from prayer? What does Jesus’ all-night prayer make you think or feel?

Notes

Family Business Seeking Congregants with Gifts to Offer

As a part of the Time, Talent, Tithe pledge drive, go to the First & Calvary website under Growth and click on the Gift Exchange to fill out an “Offering Gifts” form to pledge your help for 2023.

Events

- On Sunday, January 22, following the 11:00 am service, the Annual Congregation Meeting will convene in the Sanctuary. All are invited to attend and view the proceedings while members vote to approve past minutes.
- On Sunday, January 29, there will be no Youth Choir or Bell Choir Practice.

Sundays at 9:45am. we have classes for all ages to encourage our growth as disciples. Classes start again on January 8th. You are welcome to join anytime! Here are the options for our Adult classes:

Ancient Discipleship

The first generations of Christians developed a training manual for mentors to use with new Christian converts to help them understand the way of Jesus and how to live it out in their everyday settings. Steeped in the teachings of Jesus, this short training manual (called The Didache) can give us a fresh understanding of the vitality of Jesus’ teachings and the importance of apprenticeship in the life of today’s Christians. Led by Rev. Don Everts.

Hosted in the McClung Class (Room 026/Reception Room).

Gospel of Luke: From the Outside In

This study will focus on the Gospel of Luke, which is a stunning portrait of Jesus, the Son of God. Luke believes his book is the most important narrative we could ever read and invites his readers to witness His life, death, and resurrection and be transformed as a result. This is a book that presents the reader with an accurate account of Jesus but also a pathway to get to know Him personally.

Hosted in the March Fellowship Class (Room 015).

The Minor Prophets

This class will be looking at the books Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. Books of prophecy relate not only to the Ancient Israelite but also to believers today with themes like God’s promises, His return, injustice, obedience, repentance, and grace.

Hosted in the Little-Bacon Class (Room 020).

Proverbs and Psalms

This study looks at wisdom, the impact of words, and righteousness vs. wickedness in the proverbs. Starting in February, this class will be studying Psalms, songs of praise to God, our creator, sustainer, and redeemer. We are grateful to God for His concern, help, and mercy in times of trouble.

Hosted in the 49ers Class (Room 115).

Visit the First & Calvary Website for more information on each of the above events by going to <https://www.firstandcalvary.org>.

A HOUSE OF PRAYER

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Liturgical Service

Prelude | Dr. Jim Davidson

*Call to Worship | Neil Stenger

Leader: In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

All: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come now, all who thirst,

and drink the water of life.

Come now, all who hunger,

and be filled with good things.

Come now, all who seek,

and be warmed by the fire of love.

*Hymn 86

We Come, Oh Christ, to You

Words: Margaret Clarkson, 1946, rec. 1984

Music: John Darwall, 1770

Confession of Sin

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 817

Hear Our Prayer

Words: Based on Psalm 143:1; Music: George Whelpton

Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news!
There is no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus.
For the law of the Spirit
of life in Christ Jesus
has set you free from the law of sin and death.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone;
a new life has begun.
Know that in Jesus,
God embraces you, forgives you,
and strengthens you to live a renewed life.

Thanks be to God.

—based on Romans 8:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Hymn 805

Glory Be to the Father

Words: Gloria Patri; Music: Henry Greatorex

Time for Children | Rev. Jamie Swope

Jesus Loves Me

Oh How I Love Jesus

Scripture

Luke 6: 12-19

See Early Service Panel for text

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem | Camerata

Cantate Domino (Sing to the Lord)

Words: Psalm 149; Music: Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni;

Edited by Richard D. Row

Sermon | Rev. Don Everts

All Night in Prayer

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Feel free to use the offering plates or contact the church for online or direct deposit giving.
Guests, please do not feel obligated.

Offertory | Chancel Choir

Alegre Luz (O Gladsome Light)

Words: Phos Hilaron, Greek, ca. 200; English tr. composite; Music: Carlos Colón

O gladsome light of the holy glory
of the immortal Father,
heavenly blessed, Jesus Christ.

Now that we have come to the setting of the sun
and we behold the light of the evening.

We praise the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
It is right at all times to worship you with voice of praise,
O Son of God and giver of life.

O gladsome light of the holy glory
of the immortal Father,
heavenly blessed, Jesus Christ.

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and we behold the light of the evening.

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It is right at all times to worship you with voice of praise,

O Son of God and giver of life.

Therefore, all the world glorifies you. Amen.

*Hymn 809

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

*Offering Prayer

*Closing Hymn 622

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Words: Joseph M. Scriven, c. 1855

Music: Charles C. Converse, 1868

*Benediction & Benediction Response

Go Now In Peace

Words and Music: Don Besig and Nancy Price

Postlude

Notes