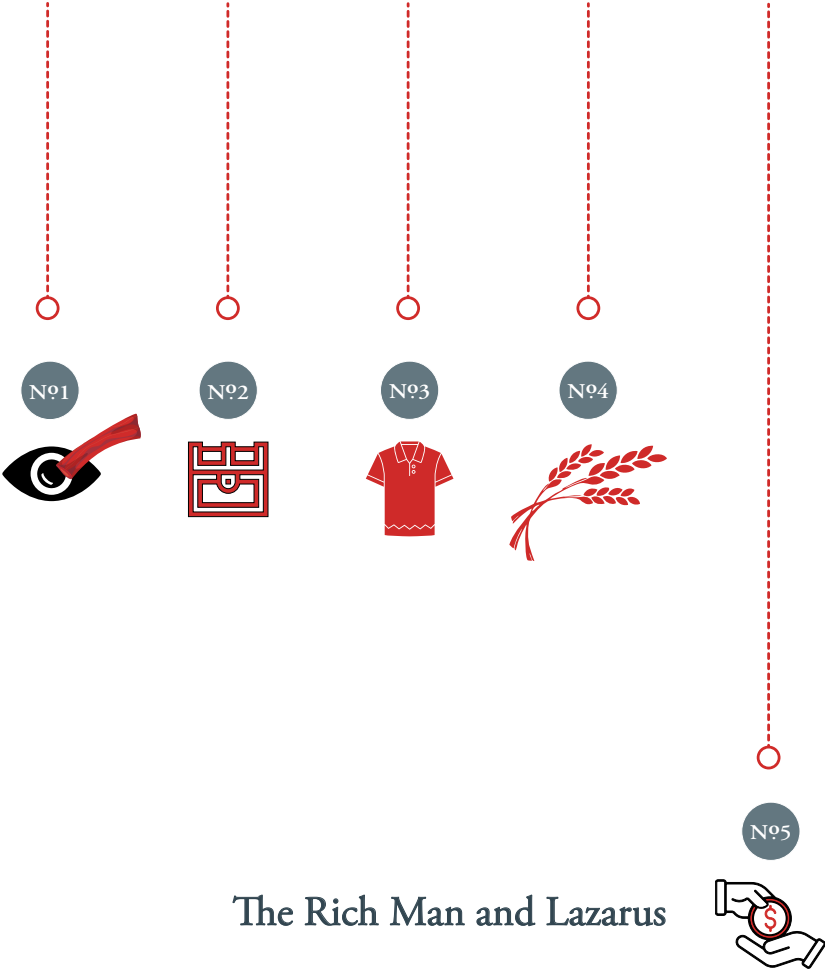


STORIES JESUS TOLD



ORDER *of* WORSHIP

June 2, AD 2024
11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Colton Underwood

Prelude

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” arranged by Michael Burkhardt
Steve Gustafson, organ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Psalm 78 & Matthew 13

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
You, Lord Jesus, have shared with us the secrets of the kingdom of heaven.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old.
Give us ears to hear!

Many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see.
Give us eyes to see!

Do not hide these things from your children.
We will tell them of your glorious deeds and sing of the wonders you have done!

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 25 “Immortal, Invisible”

ST. DENIO

***Blessing God**

***Scriptural Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Lord Jesus, we thank you that you love us as we are. And we're thankful you do not leave us stuck as we are! Your parables strike right to our core. We know that we long to be safe and insulated—not only from pain, but from the pain of others. We know that we have learned to step around difficult, needy, annoying or draining people. We know that we can wall off our hearts from others by staying distracted. Forgive us. You call us to notice, to care and to engage. Give us eyes to see and hands to heal. Amen.

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

**Standing*

*Response

**What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing he counts not their sum,
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.**

*Greeting and Announcements

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.

Offertory

"By Our Love" by Christy Nockels
Lauren Honea, soprano

Brothers, let us come together, walking in the Spirit, there's much to be done.
We will come reaching, out from our comforts,
And they will know us by our love.

Sisters, we were made for kindness,
We can pierce the darkness as he shines through us,
We will come reaching, with a song of healing, and they will know us by our love.

The time is now, come Church, arise.
Love with his hands, see with his eyes,
Bind it around you, let it never leave you,
And they will know us by our love.

Children, you are hope for justice,
Stand firm in the truth now, set your hearts above,
You will be reaching, long after we're gone,
And they will know you by your love.

*Doxology

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 293 “Rise Up, O Church of God”

ST. THOMAS

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 16:19–31

“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction,

That through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

“The Rich Man and Lazarus”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

DUKE STREET



LORD'S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer 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.

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

Please come forward to receive communion.

Communion Meditation

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts” arranged by Fred Bock



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude

“Hymn to Joy” arranged by Paul Manz



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We're so glad you could join us today. Each week we seek to press deeper into Christ and then follow his lead to go further into the world with his love. As part of that mission, we'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpibr.org, through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Confirmation Swim Party June 4. The Youth Department is having a swim party for new students. This is a great opportunity for your child to get to know the youth staff and ask questions about confirmation. Join us Tuesday, June 4 at 3 pm at the Fabres' (5700 Sandalwood Dr.). Bring your swimsuit (one-piece for the girls) and towel.

Last Week to Register for Vacation Bible School! Register today to join in Jerusalem Marketplace VBS on June 10–13. Visit fpibr.org for volunteer and camper details.

Middle School Fellowship Nights. All middle school aged children are invited to our summer fellowship nights on June 5, 12 & 19 from 6–7.30 pm in the FPC middle school room basement. Contact Daniel Croskrey (daniel@fpibr.org) for more information.

RYM Youth Parent Meeting, June 16. All parents with youth attending RYM this summer are invited to a meeting on Sunday, June 16 at 10.10 am in the Chapel.

Special Sunday School and Minute for Mission: June 16. Samuel Sesay, President of EduNations in rural Sierra Leone, West Africa, will be with us in worship June 16. Rev. Sesay will also speak during the Sunday school hour in EB 202. In addition to his ministry with EduNations, Samuel also heads up the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Sierra Leone. Join us for an exciting update on what God is doing in West Africa!

Women's Summer Luncheon: June 26. "So, I've Got a Question. . . Pastor's Edition" Join us for our Women's Ministry Summer Luncheon where you can anonymously ask a panel of pastors questions about the Bible, what we believe, or even their own faith journey! 11.30 am–1.30 pm in the FPC Reception Room. Details and registration at fpibr.org. Childcare provided.

Grab a Tag-Along Kit Today! When you take a tag-along kit on your summer adventures, you have the opportunity to expand the horizons for Gardere Community Christian School students. Take a picture with the class cutout and send it to the school. Tag-along boxes are available at the Connection Center. Contact Cheryl Lott for questions or details (cheryl@gccs.com).

So Loved Is Seeking Volunteers. We have had an increase in the number of children in our So Loved ministry. What a blessing! Volunteers are needed to care for and play with the young ones. Please contact Candace Walker to volunteer (candace@fpibr.org).

Purple Cow Needs Donations. It's a great time to declutter your home! During the month of June, donation bins will be on campus ready for you to donate gently used clothes and house ware items to the Purple Cow, a ministry of the Christian Outreach Center.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Sue & Bill Edrington and Mary & Emmett Edrington by Susie & Buzzy Heroman, Leah & Billy Edrington and Lynn & Mark Edwards.

Scripture for Next Week: Jonah 1
Sanctuary services are video recorded
and livestreamed.

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