



THE GOOD
SAMARITAN

LUKE 10:25-37

First United Methodist Church
Pastor Chris Hardy
July 14, 2019 ~ Worship 11:00
Loving God, Loving Others

Greeting & Announcements

Gathering Meditation

"We love others best when we love God the most."

- author unknown

Prelude & Lighting of the Candles

Holy God, this is the time when we quiet our hearts and our minds, to pay attention – to *really* pay attention – to what you have to say to us today. Fill us with your Word, and give us understanding by your Holy Spirit, that we may live lives worthy of you. **Amen.**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Love the Lord your God,

**People: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and
with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Leader: Love your neighbor as yourself,

**People: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and
with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Leader: Do this and you will live!

People: Let us worship God!

***Praise Song**

"Your Grace Is Enough"

Matt Maher

***Affirmation of Faith**

A Modern Affirmation

#885

***Opening Prayer**

**Give your church, O God, the grace to serve you with
courage, that our lives may be a witness to your compassion and
our actions a testimony to your mercy. Through Jesus Christ our
Lord and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.**

Children's Message

† Coins for Kids

Pastor Chris

A Time of Prayer – Sharing our Joys & Concerns
The Lord's Prayer

- *Hymn** "There's a Sprit in the Air" #192
- Reading of Holy Scripture** Luke 10:25-37 (NLT)
- Message** "Loving God, Loving Others" Pastor Chris
- *Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

***Passing of the Peace**

Giving Back to God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

- *Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Receive these gifts, O God. May our lives be an offering that is pleasing to you, good gifts that come from the knowledge of life in Christ our Lord. In His precious name we pray. Amen.

***Benediction**

- *Hymn** "How Great Thou Art" #77

***Postlude**

*Please stand if you are able

†Each Sunday our children will be accepting coin donations that will benefit a ministry or project of their choosing.

Today's bulletins are sponsored by Craig & Ellen Sleep
in memory of loved ones

You're Welcome Here

Here at our church we extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, gay, straight, filthy rich, comfortable, dirt poor, have lived here for decades, just moved in, or are passing on through.

We extend a special welcome to those that are newly married, never married, married again, or married for longer than they can even remember... or choose to remember. We welcome families of all shapes and sizes, those with one child that is as quiet as a mouse, those with a whole basketball team, and even moms and dads with crying new-born babies.

You're welcome here if you can sing like Garth Brooks or if you can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're 'just browsing,' just woke up or just got out of prison. Those that serve in our military or work in our community as first responders, you're welcome here, too. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Bishop of the Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference, or if you haven't been in church since your little nephew's baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome keep-fit moms, football dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters and food connoisseurs.

We welcome those who are in recovery or are still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps. We welcome you even if don't like 'organized religion' or you call yourself 'spiritual.'

If you blew all your money on the horses or the blackjack table, you're welcome here, too. We offer a welcome to those who work too hard, don't work at all, can't spell, or come just because grandma is in town and she made you go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost on route 191 and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts, and all those at different locations on their own journey of faith... and we welcome you!

We hope that you'll visit us for worship on Sunday at 11:00 and consider making us a part of your family. You're welcome here.

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