

**ST. DAVID'S (SHERMAN'S) UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**June 26, 2022**

**8:30 AM & 10:30 AM**

**WORDS TO PONDER**

Can He count on you?

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** The agendas of the world place many gods before us, but today we seek the counsel of the One who is truly God.

**People:** **We want to hear once more of a God who cares, a God who has high expectations of us.**

**Unison:** **Let nothing stand in the way of our listening, and no looking back prevent our following Christ.**

**HYMN:**     *"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"*     #403 NCH  
                    (Anonymous Hymn Request)

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

The works of the flesh are plain, wrote Paul: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness, dissension, party spirit, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. In Paul's list each of us will find at least one relevant word that describes our separation from life in the Spirit. Let us confess our sin to God.

### **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Keep us, O God, from totally losing heart whenever we let You down. Encourage us to overcome the urge of weakness that turns us away from Your plans. Lead us toward keeping our promise to follow You wherever You go. Hear our shortcomings and failures and forgive.

### **TIME OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION**

### **UNISON ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. You are forgiven, and the Spirit seeks a home within you. Trust the Spirit's leading. Walk by the Spirit, enjoying your new freedom in Christ. Let the fruit ripen within you, recognize its presence and celebrate each experience that gives evidence of your growth in the Spirit.

**HYMN:**           *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*  
(Anonymous Hymn Request)

**HOLY SCRIPTURES:** Galatians 5:1, 13–25, Luke 9:51–62

### **CHILDREN'S STORYTIME**

**SERMON:** "Followers, Not Fans"

### **PASTORAL 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

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**   *"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

### **\*RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION**

**Leader:** Be led by the Spirit, walking in love, joy, and peace.

**Unison:** We are ready to venture once more into the world, for we know God is with us; we are not alone.

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**\*Indicates those who are able please stand**