

September 8, 2024 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Song of Gathering: "His Glory and My Good"

Welcome

\*Song of Praise: "For the Cause"

\*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

\*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 27; John 4:23)

\*Song of Worship: "Be Thou My Vision"

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

Prayer of Assurance (based on Psalm 121)

Song of Assurance: "My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness" vs. 1 & 3

Community Connections

*(Children may be dismissed for Children & Worship)*

Offering: Christian Education Society

Offertory: "As for Me and My House"

Scripture: Matthew 6:19-24 (pg. 938)

Message: *Teach Us to Want*

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Application: "It's Yours" (The Lord's Prayer)

\*Parting Blessing

\*Parting Song: "Unbroken Praise"

Postlude

September 8, 2024 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship: Revelation 4:6b-11

\*"Holy, Holy, Holy! LORD God Almighty" #249

\*God's Greetings

\*Statement of Faith: Apostles Creed

\*"I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace" #495 vs. 1-3

Congregational Prayer

\*"How Firm a Foundation" #500 vs. 1, 4, 5

Scripture Reading: Galatians 4:8-5:15 (pg. 1130)

Message: *The Incredible Challenge of Freedom*

\*Song of Response: "And Can It Be" #267 vs. 1-3

\*Parting Blessing

\*Closing: "And Can It Be" #267 vs. 4

Postlude

*The offering baskets will not be passed during the evening service. You may place your offering in one of the baskets in the fellowship hall as you enter or exit.*

*\*Please stand, if able*

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## Teach Us to Want

Matthew 6:19-24

\_\_\_\_\_ : Good or Bad

*"The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!" -Jesus in Matthew 6:22-23*

A Question of \_\_\_\_\_

Q. Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

A. Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are \_\_\_\_\_ to God for his benefits ... -Heidelberg Catechism 86

Q. Why do Christians need to pray?

A. Because prayer is the most important part of the \_\_\_\_\_ God requires of us. -Heidelberg Catechism 116

God's Grace \_\_\_\_\_ Right \_\_\_\_\_

*I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. -Ezekiel 11:19-20*

\_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ through which  
we \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

Gratitude \_\_\_\_ Eyes \_\_\_\_ Desire \_\_\_\_ Heart \_\_\_\_ Grace \_\_\_\_

## Teach Us to Want – Small Groups Session 1

(covering sermons September 8 & 15)

Regathering Icebreaker: Share a highlight and a lowlight of your summer.

Lesson Icebreaker: Tell about a time you got something that you really wanted, but it didn't turn out as you hoped.

1. READ Matthew 6:19-24. "You cannot serve both God and Money." What other things could fit in place of money?
2. "I'm concerned about putting away enough money for retirement (kids' education, etc.). Am I serving two masters?"
3. READ Mark 10:17-22. Why does Jesus ask the young man to sell everything?
4. Some people present an understanding of Christian living that suggests that we should desire nothing. What is a better understanding? What should we desire?
5. What does HC94 tell us we should desire?

*That I rightly know the only true God, trust him alone, and look to God for every good thing humbly and patiently, and love, fear, and honor God with all my heart. In short, that I give up anything rather than go against God's will in any way.*

Group Application: Remember the illustration of big rocks, little rocks, BBs, water, etc. What are your big rocks? Why are these the big rocks? How are these rocks tied to your desires?

Individual Application: What do I put before God that becomes for me a lens through which I see the world?