

THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 14, 2022

Mary Reed, Assistant Music Director – Jim Wert, Pianist – Bill Dawson, Organist –
Gloria St Onge, Worship Leader

Rev. Ted Althouse, Pastor - Guest Choral Conductor – Sam Estes

To Be Obedient To God Is To Be Faithful To Him In Every Possible Way!

THE PRELUDE

“I’ve Found A Friend In Jesus”

Jim Wert, Piano

THE PROCESSIONAL No 162

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

THE WELCOME, GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RESPONSE, PRESENTATION

*“Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place. I Can Feel His Mighty Power
And His Grace. I Can Hear The Brush Of Angel’s Wings. I See Glory On Each
Face.*

Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place.”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Happy and joyful are those whose life is obedient to God and who walk in the law of the Lord.

PEOPLE: HAPPY ARE THOSE WHO KEEP GOD’S DECREES, WHO SEEK GOD WITH THEIR WHOLE HEART.

Leader: Happy are we, when we do no wrong and walk in God’s ways.

EVERYONE: O THAT OUR WAYS MAY BE STEADFAST AND OBEDIENT IN KEEPING YOUR COMMANDMENTS, O LORD. LET US WORSHIP GOD AND PRAISE HIS NAME!
AMEN

THE HYMN OF PRAISE No 717

“The Battle Hymn of The Republic”

THE PRAYER FOR OUR SINFUL ACTIONS (Unison)

*“SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND; CALL ON HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR. LET THE
WICKED FORSAKE HIS WAYS AND THE EVIL PERSON HIS THOUGHTS. LET HIM TURN TO
THE LORD, AND THE LORD WILL HAVE MERCY ON HIM, AND TO OUR GOD, FOR HE WILL*

*FREELY PARDON. AS THE HEAVENS ARE HIGHER THAN THE EARTH, SO ARE MY WAYS
HIGHER THAN YOUR (EARTHLY) WAYS AND MY THOUGHTS THAN YOUR THOUGHTS.”*

AMEN! (From ISAIAH 55:6-9)

THE CHORAL ANTHEM Chancel Choir

“Trust And Obey”

THE OFFERING, OFFERTORY

“El Shaddai”

Jim Wert, Piano

*PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERING IN THE PLATES AT THE CHURCH
ENTRANCE!*

*"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Him, All Creatures Here
Below; Praise Him Above, Ye Heavenly Host, Praise Father, Son, And Holy
Ghost. Amen*

THE PRAYERS

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Response No 471

THE APOSTLES CREED

No 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

Luke 9:47-52

THE SERMON “The Cost Of Following Jesus Through Obedient Action!”

Rev. Ted Althouse

THE HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION

“Blessed Assurance”

No 369

THE PASTORAL BENEDICTION AND LAITY RESPONSE (Sung in Unison)

*“Bless Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love: The
Fellowship Of Kindred Minds, Is Like To That Above.”*

THE POSTLUDE

“The Lord Bless And Keep You”

Jim Wert, Piano



Next Sunday: August 21, 2022
SERMON TOPIC: "Opening Doors!"
Scripture Reference: Revelation
4:1-2, 6-8

One Altar Flower Arrangement Is Presented By Rev. Althouse and family in memory of their mother and his wife Ardis. (1942-2021)

One Altar Flower Arrangement Is Presented By Burns & Carolyn Severson In Honor Of Their Mother Marjorie Severson's Birthday.

*Today We Also Celebrate The Marriage Of Mr. Dennis Curry And Ms. Lea La Branche.
(Daughter Of Roy And Gloria St Onge).*



Bev Baskie, Carol Cessna, Diana Hoatson (Linda Brown sister), Jim Daniels' family, Cal Eells, Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Cindy Fiska, Rhonda Hotlzclaws' Family, Cyndi Koski, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Kit Olen, Pat Rhoda, Bill Sadd's Family, Dot Streck, Aline Wolf, and all other individuals who need God's healing touch. **Pray For Healing And Peace Of Our Country Under The Siege Of Gun And Political Warfare And Peace Of The Ukrainian/Soviet War.**



WHAT ARE THE ACTIONS OF OBEDIENCE?

Obedience is a form of social influence that involves performing an action under the orders of an authority figure. By obeying in all things, even the mundane, you are showing God that you are willing and able to obey whatever he asks of you. Obedience to God is not only a way to worship him, but a way to get closer to him, prepare for whatever he leads you to and grow as a person.

One of the many ways to worship and glorify God is through obedience. Living in obedience to God in all things is a great way to show your love and respect for him. Obedience is also a suiting way to draw near to him

and grow in your relationship with him. For many reasons, obedience is an important part of a Christian's relationship with Christ.

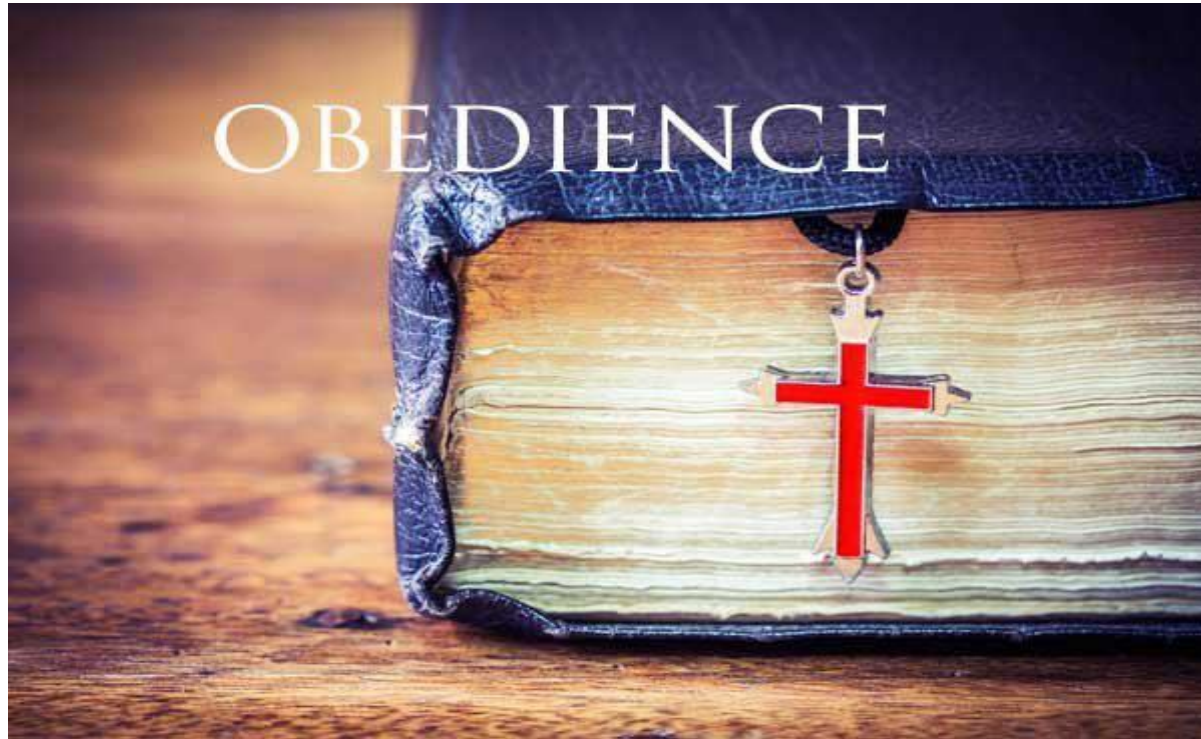
"Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.'" (Genesis 1:26) God created man to rule over the Earth. He created us to shepherd the animals and work the ground. God is calling us to obedience and relationship with him through respect and duty of all things. By obeying his call to take care of this earth we learn more about him and can grow in understanding of his heart and desires for our lives. Obedience also leads to personal growth. Every command God asks of us isn't just for his sake, but for ours. The call to obedience is for our benefit. He knows what is best for us and how to grow us to be stronger people and followers of Christ.

You reap what you sow! When we choose to shepherd what God has given us, we show him that we are grateful for the blessings he has bestowed upon us. When we take care of what he has given us, we show him that we are capable of being obedient to his commands, big or little. By practicing obedience in the small things, we are laying the foundation for obedience in the big things...when it may be hard to trust him and obey. Fostering good habits in the small things God asks of you will help make obedience in the bigger tasks easier. By fostering good habits of spiritual discipline and sowing seeds of selflessness and sacrifice, day by day, you will resemble Jesus more.

What are you doing today that is preparing you for the future God has for you and the future you are hoping for? By gratefully taking care of the small things God has placed in your life, like making your bed and watering your plants, you are showing him that you are a good shepherd of what he gives you. You are obeying God and he will reward you for your actions. Obedience to God is not only a way to worship him, but a way to get closer to him, prepare for whatever he leads you to and grow as a better person. As Christians, we know we are not saved by our works but that our faith without works is dead. Obeying God should not be a burden but rather a joy, a way of worshipping him and growing in your faith. Ultimately, we will feel most satisfied when we are in right relationship to and with God – which can only come through obedience.

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“Obedient Action!”

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