Boulevard United Methodist Church on Broad



Congregations respond to this text in the same way my children respond to seeing cooked spinach on their plate at dinner. No matter how much I explain the nutritional value, no one around the table really wants to dig in... Goodness, Jesus, who wants to love an enemy?

- Vaughn Crowe-Tipton

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7th Sunday after the Epiphany 4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad St.

Greeting

Opening Words

It is good.

It is good.

To be in a house of the Lord.

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One more time.

One more time.

Hymn

Come by Here, Lord

Time with Children

Joys & Concerns

Prayer

Interlude

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Scripture

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Sung Prayer

Oh Light Divine vv. 1,3

Scripture

Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

"We Can Afford To"

Rev. Rachel G. May

Hymn

His Eye is on the Sparrow

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Offering

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord's Supper

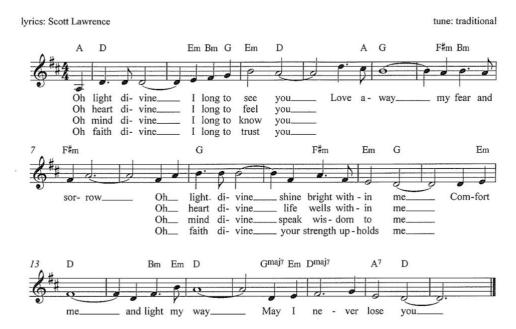
Hymn

I Will Trust in the Lord

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Benediction

Oh Light Divine



Luke 6:27-38

²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

NURTURE

caring for one another and for our growth as disciples {Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for Grayson Foy, Nancy Tate, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Tammy Estep & David Outten, Jim & his family, and Nancy Tate. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 year olds begins after the children's moment (approximately 4:15). They rejoin us for Communion. Ms. LaRonda is an experienced childcare provider currently employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

GIVING GROWS YOU and us.

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OUTREACH

participating in ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy {Outward}

YOUR EXPERIENCES AND PERSPECTIVES have shaped our mission calendar in the past. Though it is mid-February, it is not too late to infuse March – December with Spirit and structure! We also have time to name a Lenten mission focus.

To that end, there will be two meetups (or imagine sessions). Come to Pies & Pints on Thursday, February 21 at 5:30pm. If that does not suit, you can take part in the discussion here at 1837 W Broad on **Sunday, March 3 at 11am**.

Genesis 45:3-11,15

³Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt.5And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. 10You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."15And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.