

ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN FOR LIVESTREAM SERVICE
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BAKERSFIELD, September 12, 2021 9:30 AM

Announcements		Kaitlin Perrone
Words of Welcome / Invocation		Pastor Richard
Hymn 368		<i>"My Hope Is Built"</i>
Psalm Reading: Psalm 19:7-14		Dan Schaffer
Gloria Patri (Glory Be To The Father)		Congregation
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Richard
Praise Song		<i>"How Great Is Our God"</i>
Praise Song		<i>"Who You Say I Am"</i>
Offering Talk		Dwight & Hazel Robertson
Ministry In Music	<i>"Draw Us Together"</i>	Chancel Choir
Scripture: Proverbs: 6:6-11; 13:4; Hebrews 6:7-11		Kaitlin Perrone
Message	"Diligence Pays ... In The Long Run"	Pastor Richard

Sermon Notes:

Diligence Pays ... in the Long Run

Diligence defined: _____ and _____ work or effort.

Just about anything of _____ value in life is gained through diligence.

Sister to Perseverance

Read 2 Peter 1:6.

Most of the important things in life come to us when we _____.

... The men in charge of the work were diligent ... 2 Chronicles 24:13.

A man's folly ruins his life, yet his heart rages against the Lord, Proverbs 19:3.

Diligence can save you from _____ and diligence can lift you out of _____.

(See video clip “Change The World By Making Your Bed” by Admiral William McRaven.)

Diligence At Work

_____ is rarely garnered in a short time.

The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty, Proverbs 21:5.

See also Proverbs 10:4 and Proverbs 12:24.

The Christian life must always be lived out in _____ life and work.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters... Colossians 3:23.

Diligence in God’s Work

Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress, 1 Timothy 4:12-15.

Read 2 Corinthians 8:11.

Each of us can be planting seeds for God’s harvest long into _____.

Diligence Honored

One who is slack in his work is brother to one who destroys, Proverbs 18:9.

There is a world out there that needs _____ for God.

See Proverbs 10:26 and Proverbs 14:23.

Careful and persistent effort brings transformation and _____.

_____ keeps us trusting God, but our diligence keeps us serving God.

Read Heb. 6:10-11.

*The sluggard craves and gets nothing, but the desires of the diligent are fully satisfied,
Proverbs 13:4.*

Hymn 462

“ ‘Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus”

Benediction

Pastor Richard

Doxology

Congregation

Postlude

Rebecca Spickler

Participating in today's live stream service:

Pastor: Dr. Richard Thompson

Worship Leader: Andrew Irvin

Liturgist: Kaitlin Perrone, Dan Schaffer, Dwight & Hazel Robertson

Greeters: Marti Ingalls

Ushers: Bonnie Bowles, Bonnie Casola, Gary Oldham, Tony Castro

Worship Team:

Organ: Rebecca Spickler

Keyboard: Aaron Thompson

Piano: Andrew Irvin

Drums: Dumisani Irvin

Vocals: Kathleen Schaffer, Abigail Canlas, Jindel Santos, Rebecca Spickler

Tech: James Dethlefsen, Ed French, Lucas Metcalf

Safety Team: Ray Bowles, Rick McDonald, Dusty Ramey

Announcements:

Wednesday Evening Programs Are Back!

***Our seniors are again enjoying a weekly program, an excellent lunch, and fellowship** Wednesdays at 10 AM to 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Cost for lunch is \$4.00. Unless otherwise announced, they will meet every Wednesday. Please RSVP weekly by calling the church office at 325-1267.

***Youth Ministries and Adult Small Groups have also started back up.** The Adult Co-Ed group will meet in rooms 4/5 and the Youth will meet in room 6, both starting at 6:30 PM. The Men's group will meet in room 2, and the Women's group meets in room 3, both starting at 6:45 PM. It is never too late to join in! If your small group meets on a day other than Wednesday evenings, please contact your small group leader for information.

*** Sonshine Singers – all children in pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade are** welcome to join us at 6:30 on Wednesday nights in the Children's Center (our rehearsal room is Rm 18). We will meet at 6:30 for a free play time and then begin rehearsing at 6:45. Parents may pick up their children anytime between 7:30 and 7:45. Led by organist and music educator Rebecca Spickler, Sonshine Singers is fast-paced, fun, and gives students the opportunity to learn some unforgettable songs that introduce them to God and His love.

Our Annual Church Charge Conference will be held on Saturday, October 9, at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. This is the annual business meeting for our church. All are welcome, however, only members may vote.

Children's Church Resumes TODAY! Parents, bring your kids, K-5th grade, to the children's center and check them in. We will have songs, a Bible story and craft each week. We can't wait to see your kids again!

Nursery care for ages 6 months to 4 years of age is available on Sundays in Children's Center as well.

We welcome our Chancel Choir back to worship services today. You'll notice they are in a different spot than you may expect. Some of you may remember the that in the early years of worship in this Sanctuary (which was built on the edge of town at the time!), the choir sang from this spot. This spot is accessible for all of our choir members, allowing all who wish to participate, regardless of mobility issues. Welcome, Chancel Choir. We invite all interested singers to come to a rehearsal, Thursday night at 7 in the Sanctuary.

Houchin Blood Mobile will be on campus Sunday, October 3rd. Your donation is desperately needed. Please sign up to give by calling or texting Duane Spickler at (661) 331-8090.

We appreciate your tithes and offerings! God is our source, but God uses you! We rely on the gifts of our congregation as our only source of income. Please give online at: <https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/fumcbfl>, or mail it to the church at 4600 Stockdale Hwy, Bakersfield, CA 93309. Our online giving is secure, and if you give with your debit card, feel free to uncheck the 2.5% finance charge box as that applies only to credit card donations.