

ORDER OF WORSHIP January 23rd, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP

Thomas Winn — Elder/Pastor

| The Prelude | |
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| The Call to Worship | |
| Hymn | "Praise the Savior, Now and Ever" |
| The Prayer of Confession and Praise | Hal Pritchard |
| Hymn | "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" |
| Hymn | |
| The Reading of the Word — Psalm 32:1-11 | Hal Pritchard |
| Hymn | "Worthy of Worship" |
| The Pastoral Prayer | Pastor Winn |
| The Sermon — "The Only Way to True Happiness, Pt. II" (Matthew 5:1-12) | Pastor Winn |
| A Time of Reflection Upon the Word Preached | |
| Hymn | "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound" |
| The Benediction | Hal Pritchard |
| The Postlude | |
| EVENING WORSHIP | |
| The Prelude | |
| Hymn | "Thy Works Not Mine O Christ" |
| Hymn | "I Need Thee Every Hour" |
| The Sermon — "One Church Under God" (Ezekiel 37:15-28) | Hal Pritchard |
| A Time of Reflection Upon the Word Preached | |
| Hymn | |
| The Benediction | Pastor Winn |
| The Postlude | |



COMMENTARY

Dr. M. L. Jones

The reason, then, why I believe it is important for us to take the Sermon [on the Mount] as a whole before we come to the details, is this constant danger of 'missing the wood because of the trees'. We are all of us ready to fix on certain particular statements, and to concentrate on them at the expense of others. The way to correct that tendency, I believe, is to realize, that no part of this Sermon can be understood truly except in the light of the whole. Some good friends have already said to me, I am going to be most interested when you come to state exactly what is meant by "Give to him that asketh thee",' etc. That is a betrayal of a false attitude to the Sermon on the Mount. They have jumped to particular statements. There is a great danger at this point. The Sermon on the Mount, if I may use such a comparison, is like a great musical composition, a symphony if you like. Now the whole is greater than a collection of the parts, and we must never lose sight of this wholeness. I do not hesitate to say that, unless we have understood and grasped the Sermon on the Mount as a whole, we cannot understand properly any one of its particular injunctions. I mean that it is idle and useless and quite futile to confront anybody with any particular injunction in the Sermon on the Mount unless such a person has already believed, and accepted, and has indeed already conformed to, and is living, the Beatitudes. That is where the so-called social application of the Sermon

on the Mount to modern needs' idea is such a complete fallacy and such a heresy. People have often applied it in way, for example they were select this matter of turning the other cheek they take that out of the sermon and isolated and on the basis of that they have denounced all form of war as being on Christian I do not want to discuss the question of pacifism now; All I am concerned to show is this that you cannot take the particular injunction and hold it up to an individual or to a nation or to the world unless the particular individual or that particular nation or the whole world is already living and practicing and conforming to the be attitudes all the particular in junctions which we shall consider follow the beatitudes which the sermon starts. That is what I mean when I say that we must start by kind of synoptic, General view of the whole before we begin to consider the particular parts in other words everything in the sermon if we trade it lightly and if we are to derive benefit from considering it must be taken in it's setting and as I have just Been emphasizing, the order in which the statement comes in the sermon is really of supreme Importance. The beatitudes do not come at the end they come at the beginning and I do not hesitate to say that unless we are perfectly clear about them we should go no further we have no right to go further



RESPONSIBILITIES

Today's Nursery Volunteers

January 23rd

Morning

Rhia McDonough & Amanda Spansel

Evening/Afternoon

Bridgette Kimbrell & Mary Margaret Pritchard

Wednesday - January 26th

Bridgette Kimbrell (Jessica Mullins)

Today's Sound Operator - Cody Wallace



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Preschool and Children's Choir will meet this afternoon.

YEAR END BUSINESS MEETING

We will have our 2021 end of year business meeting where we will be voting on the proposed 2022 budget Sunday, February 6th, immediately following our fellowship meal.

