

ORDER OF WORSHIP February 12th, 2023

# **MORNING WORSHIP**

Thomas Winn — Elder/Pastor

The Prelude	Prepare your heart for worship
The Call to Worship	
Hymn	
The Prayer of Confession and Praise	
Hymn	"How Firm a Foundation"
Hymn	"His Mercy is More"
The Reading of the Word — Ecclesiastes 5:8-20	Hal Pritchard
Hymn	"Fairest Lord Jesus"
The Sermon — "Treasure on Earth and in Heaven" (Matthew 6:19-21)	Pastor Winn
A Time of Reflection Upon the Word Preached	
The Benediction	Hal Pritchard
The Postlude	
EVENING WORSHIP	
The Prelude	Prepare your heart for worship
Hymn	"Thy Works Not Mine, O Christ"
Hymn	"For the Beauty of the Earth"
The Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Winn
The Sermon ——"A Prelude to the Exodus" (Exodus 1-2:10)	
Hymn	
The Benediction	
The Postlude	



### **COMMENTARY**

### Matthew Henry

Worldly-mindedness is as common and as fatal a symptom of hypocrisy as any other, for by no sin can Satan have a surer and faster hold of the soul, under the cloak of a visible and passable profession of religion, than by this; and therefore Christ, having warned us against coveting the praise of men, proceeds next to warn us against coveting the wealth of the world; in this also we must take heed, lest we be as the hypocrites are, and do as they do: the fundamental error that they are guilty of is, that they choose the world for their reward; we must therefore take heed of hypocrisy and worldly-mindedness, in the choice we make of our treasure, our end, and our masters. In choosing the treasure we lay up. Something or other every man has which he makes his treasure, his portion, which his heart is upon, to which he carries all he can get, and which he depends upon for futurity. It is that good, that chief good, which Solomon speaks of with such an emphasis, Eccl. 2:3. Something the soul will have, which it looks upon as the best thing, which it has a complacency and confidence in above other things. Now Christ designs not to deprive us of our treasure, but to direct us in the choice of it. A good caution against making the things that are seen, that are temporal, our best things, and placing our happiness in them. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth. Christ's disciples had left all to follow him, let them still keep in the same good mind. A treasure is an abundance of something that is in itself, at least in our opinion, precious

and valuable, and likely to stand us instead hereafter. Now we must not lay up our treasures on earth, that is, (1.) We must not count these things the best things, nor the most valuable in themselves, nor the most serviceable to us: we must not call them glory, as Laban's sons did, but see and own that they have no glory in comparison with the glory that excelleth. (2.) We must not covet an abundance of these things, nor be still grasping at more and more of them, and adding to them, as men do to that which is their treasure, as never knowing when we have enough. (3.) We must not confide in them for futurity, to be our security and supply in time to come; we must not say to the gold, Thou art my hope. (4.) We must not content ourselves with them, as all we need or desire: we must be content with a little for our passage, but not with all for our portion. These things must not be made our consolation (Luke 6:24), our good things, Luke 16:25. Let us consider we are laying up, not for our posterity in this world, but for ourselves in the other world. We are put to our choice, and made in a manner our own carvers; that is ours which we lay up for ourselves. It concerns thee to choose wisely, for thou art choosing for thyself, and shalt have as thou choosest. If we know and consider ourselves what we are, what we are made for, how large our capacities are, and how long our continuance, and that our souls are ourselves, we shall see it is foolish thing to lay up our treasures on earth.



## RESPONSIBILITIES

## **Today's Nursery Volunteers**

## February 12th

Morning

Kelly Jackson & Bridgette Kimbrell

Evening/Afternoon

Mary Price & Lawanda Winn

Wednesday - February 15th

Katie Crocker & Mary Margaret Pritchard

Today's Sound Operator - Richard Jackson



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

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

#### **VALENTINE'S BANQUET**

This year the Valentine's Banquet as been rescheduled to Wednesday, February  $15^{th}$  from 6 pm - 8 pm at Georgia Blue in Flowood.

#### **SERIES IN EXODUS**

Tonight, during our Sunday evening service, we will begin a sermon series continuing for the next 6 months, going through the book of Exodus. All are encouraged to attend as Hal Pritchard, Dirk de Waal, and Seth Lirette rotate each week leading us through this study of this foundational book of the Old Testament and God's word.

#### **LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

The Ladies Bible Study will meet this Thursday, February 16th at 11 am.

### **MEN'S BOOK STUDY**

A book study for the men of our church will begin February  $18^{th}$  at 7 am and meet every 2 months on a Saturday morning over breakfast. We will begin with 'Family Shepherds' by Voddie Baucham. See Prashant for details or questions.

