

Scripture: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sermon: An Enemy Did This

This worship experience is for in-home use and is designed to give you and your family a more Spirit-filled worship experience as we continue to be confined to our homes. Feel free to divide the readings and prayers up if you are blessed to have others worshiping with you. When you come to hymns, special music and the sermon click on the YouTube link provided and your computer, tablet or Smart TV should take you directly to the video. May God bless you as you enter worship! Grace & peace, Pastor Jon.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Light a candle to symbolize the presence of Christ in your midst and to signal that you are entering into a sacred time of worship.

Prelude Pat Trostel

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1GGEtl7EJTw&t=66s>

Call to Worship

Weeds and seeds, growing together.

Each will influence the other.

What will we learn from the weeds?

Trials and tribulations, choices that have not always worked out. Weeds can teach us about perseverance — consider the tough dandelion plant pushing its way up through the pavement — for some it's just a weed, but for others there are lessons to be learned.

What will be gained from seeds?

Inside each one of us is a special person, waiting to be nurtured to

Words of Assurance

God's seeds of love have already been sown in your midst. Come and see the love of God outpoured for you. You are God's beloved ones. Come, live in the light of God. **AMEN.**ⁱⁱ

Scholarship Presentation Chase Hinnegan

<https://youtu.be/KxAWxOm4LLY>

Praises

- Sunshine
- Rainbows
- Time outside

Prayers

- Tina Jurcevic (Melonie Mottice's Aunt)
- Brittany Mikolajewski (The Mottice's Babysitter)
- Jeff and Alicia (Dohner) Lehman (for the loss of Jeff's Dad)
- Ruth Millhouse
- Kent (Judy Welborn's cousin)
- Les Karns (Judy Welborn's friend)
- The family of Don Barnes (Sylvia Warner's friend)
- Tom & Susan Carrigan (for the loss of Tom's mom)
- Mary Ann Cornell
- Rich & Sarah (Sylvia Warner's friends; prayers for peace and healing)
- The Family of George Floyd.
- For all the families who have lost loved ones to Covid 19.

- For our political leaders, that they may work together to put forth policies to end systemic injustice in our country.
- For our community, that we may receive the grace to see every human being as a child of God.
- For our Church, that we would be led by the Spirit of Christ, as we stand against the systems within our society which oppress people of color.
- All essential workers, caregivers, doctors, nurses and healthcare employees
- Carol Jackson
- Sharon Schwanitz

Prayer Song

“The More I Seek You”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NI_1YliutzA

Community Prayer

*Lord, we wonder about you. We look around us at the mighty power and majesty of nature, and it is easy for us to sing songs of praise for your creation. But then we look at the ways in which people treat one another. Too often, lying and cheating are touted as the ways in which we should live. We see deceit and anger, hostility and hatred, and we wonder where the visions of the angels descending and ascending are today. We long for times of peace and joy yet are drawn into the horrors of the world. Be with us, Lord. Help us see and feel your presence in our lives. Help us place our trust in you. For there is much work to be done in your world, and you have called us to this work. Guide our steps and guard our lives. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. **AMEN.**ⁱⁱⁱ*

Invitation to the Offering

As we commit our morning offering, remember all the ways in which God has entered your lives, and be grateful.^{iv}

Offerings can be mail directly to:

Jenny Hausfeld
320 Green Oak Dr.
Troy Ohio, 45373

Peoples Response

Take my Life

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9speOjVQ3ZA&pbjreload=101>

Contemporary The New Doxology

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gF0MgnOjeiw>

Prayer of Dedication

Lord, we present these tokens of the many blessings you have poured into our lives. Make us people who are unafraid to proclaim your healing mercies. Help these gifts to bring hope and comfort to all those in need. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.^v

The Holy Scripture Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The Parable of Weeds among the Wheat

²⁴ He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Jesus Explains the Parable of the Weeds

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷ He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are

angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Sermon **“An Enemy Did This”** **Pastor Jon**
<https://youtu.be/xANpzYvuPjs>

Sending Hymn **Traditional: Be thou My Vision**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6CMclLT_Hjg

Contemporary: Heaven Is All Around

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kIoKHyVub20>

Benediction / Sending Forth

May the road rise to meet you

May the wind be at your back

May the sun shine warm upon your face

May the rain fall softly on your fields

And until we meet again

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Brethren

May you keep safe

In the gentle loving arms of God

ⁱ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/8282/worship-connection-july-19-2020>

ⁱⁱ IBIT

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/5129/worship-connection-july-19-2020>

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