

THE CHILDREN: 'Alive, Alive' / 'He's got the whole world (projected) (these are a couple of the songs which were ring our 'at home worship' – let's listen or if you wish sing children and the Praise Team)

THE WORD – WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Responsive Psalm 13 / Matthew 4:1-25 / Hebrews 4:15 & 16 (projected)

SERMON: 'Fisher- of- people lessons'

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER, REFLECTION AND REST

#### OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION AND PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS: \*Doxology:

All that I am, all that I do, All that I have, I offer now to you.

Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord.

Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.

All that I dream, all that I pray, All that I'll ever make, I give to you today.

\*Prayer of Dedication:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

(begin together singing quietly... Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace. (2 X's)

### SENDING OUT INTO WORLD

\*PARTING HYMN: 'Follow me the Master said' (projected) \*BENEDICTION:

\*GOING OUT SONG: 'May the God of hope...' (projected)

NORMAN KENNEDY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH The Presbyterian Church in Canada June 28, 2020 Pastor: Ronda Bosch Ministry Assistant: Sumi Jung Pianist: Katie Boyce

# The TEACHER according to Matthew (sermon series)





A very warm welcome to Norman Kennedy Presbyterian Church. We, at NKP, are very glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Whether you are here for the first time, visiting with family or friends, or one of our regular attendees, we hope that you will feel at home and at peace among us and that you sense God's Spirit in our time of worship and fellowship.

As you enter, prelude music is for preparation and QUIET meditation.

## THE GATHERING – WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

THE BIBLE IS OPEN – inviting us to hear God's Word

# WORDS OF GREETING:

Welcome in the name of Christ.

God's grace, mercy and peace be with you. **And also with you.** I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" (*Psalm 122:1-2*)

Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! Our help is in the Name of the Lord, Maker of heaven and earth. (*Psalm* 121:1-2)

PREPARATION SONG: '*Rejoice in the Lord always*' (music only) ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH:

# CALL TO WORSHIP:

Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### Amen

We are here, we have come back to this house of worship, this house of prayer. We hear the invitation- "Come in, blessed of the Lord! Why do you stand outside since I have prepared the house..." (Genesis 24:31)

# Come, Lord Jesus, lead us.

*Praise Team: 'Shine Jesus, Shine (vs. 1 & chorus)* Shadows of doubt and fear cloud our lives.

# Bring us to your radiant Glory, O Christ.

Praise Team: 'Shine Jesus, Shine (vs. 2 & chorus)
Free us from our fears, so that we can step into the light.
Open our eyes, our hearts, our spirits, to receive your glory.
Praise Team: 'Shine Jesus, Shine (vs. 3 & chorus)

### OPENING PRAYER: (unison)

God our Father we gather together to ask for Your blessing in that you would cloth us in garments of grace—compassion,

kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. We trust you for strength to extend to each other the same loving-kindness you have poured on us richly in Jesus. Bring glory to yourself, as we bring our convicted and grateful hearts to you. Accept our worship we pray, in Jesus tender and loving name. Amen.

WORSHIP HYMN: 'Now let the vault of heaven resound' (Sung by 'Hymn Group')

#### WE CONFESS OUR SINS:

Lord, you are the giver of life and the God of love.

You made each person in your image, and you tell us in your Word to love each other as you have loved us.

Yet, as we think over this past week, we know we have failed to follow that command. Forgive us Lord when instead of loving all people, we choose to love only those who are like us and are easy to love.

Forgive us when we turn away from people who look different or think differently. We confess that we cannot love as you have commanded us to on our own. You tell us that love lays down its life for others, and you showed us that on the cross. But we are weak and selfish. We cannot even lay down our preferences and rights for others, let alone our lives. Teach us Lord. Though we are weak, you are strong. Fill us with your love and compassion for all people so we have eyes to see those around us in need of love. Give us hands and feet willing to reach out. Stir us to invite others to use their gifts for your glory. As You have loved us, help us to love others. In your name we pray, Amen

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.** Amen.

#### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN: Scripture Verses to Learn

The Children have been memorizing Bible verses during the Covid shut-down. This morning I invited them to share a Bible verse.



[Each week, Pastor Ronda will choose one of the devotions which are part of her daily readings to share with the congregation. We trust these will be a blessing and a stimulus for your own daily devotional habits.]

We live our lives based on what we think is true. For example, if I think it's true that it's going to rain, then I'm going to grab an umbrella when I head outside. But if I don't, I won't. If I think it's true that my child is about to get hit by a car, then I'm going to quickly pull him to safety. But if I don't, I won't. Here's where I'm going with this.

A popular expression these days is that "it's all relative." I've also heard people say: "You have your truth and I have my truth." But the idea of total relativity is chaos. Maybe you've heard the illustration of the woman who ran a red light and killed someone in another car. In the courtroom the judge asked her why she didn't stop because "red means stop." She shrugged and said: "It's all relative. Red means stop to you but not to me." It's meant to show how total relativity quickly descends into chaos. But when people are talking about faith and someone says "it's all relative," I wonder if it isn't mean to undermine the idea that we can have any certainty about God, morality, or the love and truth of Jesus. That's why I think we should humbly yet confidently stand firm on the trustworthy words of Jesus. He doesn't allow us relativity. Instead he tells us like it is-not to be harsh, but to be loving! He wants the best for us. Loving people are honest with those they love. That's why he tells us the truth, even when it's uncomfortable. Toward the end of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says: "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it" (Matthew 7:13-14). If I think that's true, then I'm going to find out more and live my life accordingly. If I don't, I won't. We live our lives based on what we think is true. So let's humbly yet confident stand firm on the trustworthy words of Jesus. From - UP! Your Daily Devo by Matthew Ruttan



Welcome, everyone to Norman Kennedy Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together!

It is indeed a special Sunday as we come back to this House of God where we, by faith, meet with God and share together the blessings of being the family of God. Please come on Sundays as you feel able and safe – we are offering this time of worship, within respectful considerations for the Covid guidelines as provided by the Gov't of SK.

As you entered, you received a greeting, you picked up a bulletin, you were directed to a seat where you could safely maintain social distance. If you wish, wear your own mask or take one from the back. But, please don't let this hinder you in sharing your own greetings to others and smiling because of the joy of being together or even singing – masked if you are within 6 ft. of another not of your household. In today's service, some are designated to sing and we can listen. Other times join in when words are projected. Children will remain with their families during worship – please help them to follow along with the parts of worship and provide for their attention spans with something you/they have brought from home. Please also speak with Pastor Ronda if you have other questions or wish her support in prayer or visitation.

**SUMMER WORSHIP HOUR** – please note that this hour of **10:30 a.m**. will be our worship time until and including Labour Day weekend.





Serving in Worship & Work TODAY:

Greeters & Ushers: Graham & Judy Page & Leanne Irving Offering Counters: Katie Boyce & Bev Wood



An opportunity for families church families & community families. Every Tuesday, beginning July 7<sup>th</sup> until August 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. This is the NKP New Outdoor

Program with a purpose of supporting our community during these challenging times and providing for family fun where interaction and play can happen in a social distant way. All activities (weather-permitting) will be in the church parking lot. You can expect music and dancing, competition games, balloons, hopscotch, chalk art and so much more. Pass the word around! Invite cards are available to share.

**NKP Please Remember:** 

 RECYCLING! Thanks for the continuing contributions. Also remember that you can drop off your own items at *Sarcan* and leave the church # 306-543-9080 - the amount is credited to our church.



- Ladies all are welcome to a lunch & conversation time on Tues., June 30<sup>th</sup> @ 12 noon at the church – ordering in Chinese Food. Let Mae know today if you will accept the invitation and be here.
- When a when an urgent need arises, and you want your



church family to pray immediately please contact the coordinator **Mae Morris** @ 306-761-0217.



# Spring /Easter Flowers & Plants

Having missed Easter Sunday in our sanctuary, we are pleased to provide a display for this our welcome back Sunday. The flowers and plants are placed in memory of: Lilibet Sheppard; Murray Carey; Ingles & Ella Dunnett; Ada & Dave Hunter; Dennis Irving; Vivien Smith; Bill, Bob, June McMurray; Ken MacFarlane; Glen Morris; Isaac & Annie Tipping; and various family members of Anne Schmidt.

**Psalm 91:1-16** "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty."

**FREE to you** – one plant from this display. Meet Leanne at the front at the end of the service so you can receive your plant!

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Pastor Ronda & Sumi are **not** in the office on Mondays.

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The Church Email: <u>nkpreschurch@gmail.com</u> The week of June 29 to July 6 Sumi is on holiday.

Visiting or New to NKP: We encourage you to make yourself known to Pastor Ronda as you exit and sign our guest book. If you are wishing a visitor envelope, speak with the usher. FM hearing assist receivers and ear sets are available for any experiencing hearing difficulties. An elevator is available for access to the lower hall where washrooms are located. The congregation is invited to respond with the words in boldface in your bulletin or printed in yellow font on the screen. An asterisk (\*) marks an invitation to stand.