



Laurel Street Mennonite Church
Woodcrest Retreat
July 17, 2022

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Music Leader: Laura Metzler
Table Church Facilitator: Rhonda Good

Ushers & Greeters Today:

Rob & Wendy

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July 17, 2022

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Music Leader: Laura Metzler
Table Church Facilitator: Rhonda Good

Ushers & Greeters Today:

Rob & Wendy

Last week

Attendance: 45

Offering: \$1,897

Preaching next week:

Janelle Bitikofer

Welcome to Woodcrest! This is a relaxed weekend with lots of time for conversation, hikes, playing games, miniature golf, etc. Here is today's schedule:

Sunday

8:30 – Breakfast (fruit and pastries provided) and fellowship time

10:00 – Table church

Noon – Fellowship Meal

1:00 – 3:30 – Swimming/Water Slide, \$7 for day guests (pay Jill)

3:00 – Checkout for those in overnight accommodations

CALL TO WORSHIP

Gathering Song: Over My Head (VT 594)

Welcome

Announcements & Celebrations

Responsive Reading

One: Take heart! For we are gathered in the Father's presence

Many: to proclaim the wonders of the Lord.

One: Get up! For we are beckoned by the Risen Son

Many: to respond to grace undeserved.

One: God is calling us! For we are united by the Spirit

Many: to follow Jesus on the way.

One: Come, let us worship God, as we pray together saying....

Opening Prayer (unison)

Creator of all, Redeemer of all, Sustainer of all,

we are gathered in your presence

to stand side by side with those who have gone before us,

who have lived the mystery of your grace

and responded by following you on the way.

May your Holy Spirit guide us as we follow you

to the places that you are calling your church to be. Amen.

Singing: I Saw A Tree by the Riverside (VT 514)
Si Tuvieras Fe (If You Only Had Faith) (VT 593)

CALL TO SHARE
Offering Prayer

CALL OF GOD'S VOICE
Scripture: Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶ Then they reached Jericho, and as Jesus and his disciples left town, a large crowd followed him. A blind beggar named Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus) was sitting beside the road. ⁴⁷ When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁸ "Be quiet!" many of the people yelled at him.

But he only shouted louder, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹ When Jesus heard him, he stopped and said, "Tell him to come here."

So they called the blind man. "Cheer up," they said. "Come on, he's calling you!" ⁵⁰ Bartimaeus threw aside his coat, jumped up, and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked.

"My Rabbi," the blind man said, "I want to see!"

⁵² And Jesus said to him, "Go, for your faith has healed you." Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus down the road.

Table Church Discussion

Questions to answer during the first discussion time:

Why do you think people rebuked Bartimaeus for crying out to Jesus?

Bartimaeus said, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" How has God shown mercy to you?

Mark 10:32 says that they were on their way to Jerusalem. As the crowd is walking with Jesus and the disciples they are getting closer to Jerusalem and Jesus' triumphal entry. With this in mind, how do you think you would have responded to Bartimaeus if you were one of the disciples or someone in the crowd?

Why do you think Jesus asked Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus would have known Bartimaeus was blind. Why didn't he just touch his eyes, heal him, and move on?

Questions to answer during the second discussion time:

Who are the Bartimaeus' you might often come in contact with in your own life? How do you respond to them? Do you notice them? Silence them? Ignore them? Care for them?

If Jesus asked you, "What do you want me to do for you?" how would you answer him?

Song of Response: Healer of Our Every Ill (VT 644)

CALL TO LOVE THE BODY OF CHRIST
Sharing & Prayer Time

CALL TO GO FORTH IN GOD'S LOVE
Sending Song: Here I Am, Lord (VT 545)
Benediction