

## Jonah 1: 11-16 Playing Favorites

### Exegesis (Background)

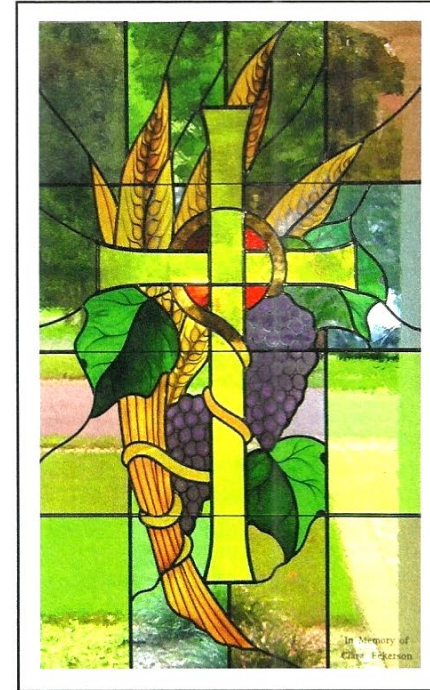
1. They are \_\_\_\_\_ morally.
2. They care more about the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
3. They \_\_\_\_\_ better than the Hebrew.

### Life Application

1. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ a book by its cover.

We don't know God's \_\_\_\_\_.

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**W**e live in a world where we keep so busy, yet we wonder if we're getting anything done – if there's meaning in any of it.

*Christ pours meaning into our lives by showing us who we are created to be.*

We live in a world with such a frenetic pace, where we are anxious and uncertain.

*Jesus brings us peace by showing us how deeply we're loved.*

We live in a world where we're surrounded by people and yet we often feel alone.

*Christ calls us into a loving community.*

Here, in this church, we are in the process of discovering the meaning, peace, and life-giving love of Jesus Christ.

*We invite you into that journey with us.*



## Order of Worship

*We are caring believers who grow, share, and live out our faith in Christ.*

October 20, 2024

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE                      *"Bind Us Together"*                      Bob Gillman  
Amy Duran, Piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS                      Rev. Zach Waldis

CHORAL INTROIT

### ***Our Approach to God***

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)                      from Psalm 30

Leader: I will exalt you, Lord.

**People: For you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.**

Leader: Lord, my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.

**People: You, Lord, brought me up from the real of the dead; you spared me for going down to the pit.**

Leader: Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people, praise his holy name.

**People: For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime.**

Leader: When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken."

**People: But when you hid your face, I was dismayed.**

\*HYMN                      *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*                      #43

CHILDREN'S MOMENT                      Rev. Zach Waldis

CHANCEL CHOIR                      *"The Call"*                      Z. Randall Stroope  
Amy Duran, piano

### ***The Word of God***

GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

\*HYMN                      *"Seek Ye First"*                      #713

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE                      Jonah 1:17-2:4                      p. 859 (OT)  
Romans 8:23-27                      p. 30 (NT)  
Justin Johnson, liturgist

SERMON                      *"Prayer Status? It's Complicated"*                      Rev. Zach Waldis

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

### **Our Response to God**

BELL CHOIR                      *"Footsteps in Faith"*                      Jason W. Krug  
Amy Duran, piano

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY                      #815

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN                      *"More Love to Thee"*                      #634

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE                      *"And Should It Be That I Should Gain?"*                      Campbell  
Amy Duran, piano

**\*Please stand if you are able.**

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**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Sharon Brahs; DeAnna and Roger Carman; Ernie Hepperle; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzaletto; Robin Schwarte; Ed Serrano; Craig Terjanian; Barry Wood.

**UNITY PRAYER:** We pray, Lord, that by reading your Word and through prayer, we would gather with wisdom and insight on how to move and react to events occurring in our community and in the world.

**THE FLOWERS** are given in loving memory of Tom Robinson by the Lupfer Family and by Ellen and Paul Nelson in celebration of the first anniversary of their daughter, Sarah, and her husband, Jeremy, and in anticipation of the birth of their first child in November

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4. Pray for the child who will receive your shoebox.
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