

## WELCOME

We hope and fully expect that you'll encounter God this morning and even meet a few warm-hearted people as well.

You can expect the service to last around an hour and a half.

## RESERVOIR FAMILIES

We're excited about your kids! We have designed special programs and services just for them that happen concurrently with the 9:30am service. Kids are also always welcome in the main services.

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## TODAY'S SERVICE

OPENING SONG

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON

Steve Watson, Senior Pastor  
and Dr. Kiran Martin

WORSHIP

An opportunity to take Communion,  
receive prayer in the Chapel, and  
participate in musical worship.



# Welcome!

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9:30 & 11:30 A.M.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples.

<sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the sabbath; his disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat.<sup>2</sup> When the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the sabbath."<sup>3</sup> He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry?"<sup>4</sup> He entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him or his companions to eat, but only for the priests.<sup>5</sup> Or have you not read in the law that on the sabbath the priests in the temple break the sabbath and yet are guiltless?"<sup>6</sup> I tell you, something greater than the temple is here.<sup>7</sup> But if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless.<sup>8</sup> For the Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

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## Steps for Learning Mercy

- 1) Use communion each week to \_\_\_\_\_ your own sins, \_\_\_\_\_ God's embrace, and \_\_\_\_\_ to hospitality and embrace of others.
- 2) Treat your own \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ – not the people who cause it – as a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) Greet each person in your life as someone God already \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) Make sure you have a place where you're \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and a place where you are stretched to embrace across difference.

## Notes

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