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 programming and services just for them that happen at the same time as the 9:30 AM service. Kids are also always welcome in the main services.

1st- 5th graders: Join us downstairs in the multipurpose room in the church basement (accessible from the chapel/bagel room).

All other kids (0-18): Join us across the parking lot in the Ministry Center.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

OPENING MUSIC

Our worship leader will pray for us, and our band will lead us in a song.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON

MUSICAL WORSHIP, PRAYER, AND ARTS

Our band will lead us in 1 or 2 worship songs. You'll have the chance to receive healing prayer in the back right of the room, if you like.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion. Gluten free and juice options are available in the back left of the room.

FINAL SONG

Our band will lead us in a final song. An offering basket will be passed during this time. If you're new, please don't give!

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I Samuel 25:2-44 (NRSV)

²There was a man in Maon, whose property was in Carmel. The man was very rich; he had three thousand sheep and a thousand goats. He was shearing his sheep in Carmel. ³Now the name of the man was Nabal, and the name of his wife Abigail. The woman was clever and beautiful, but the man was surly and mean; he was a Calebite. ⁴David heard in the wilderness that Nabal was shearing his sheep. ⁵So David sent ten young men; and David said to the young men, "Go up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name...

¹⁴But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, "David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he shouted insults at them. ¹⁵Yet the men were very good to us, and we suffered no harm, and we never missed anything when we were in the fields, as long as we were with them; ¹⁶they were a wall to us both by night and by day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep. ¹⁷Now therefore know this and consider what you should do; for evil has been decided against our master and against all his house; he is so ill-natured that no one can speak to him."...

²³When Abigail saw David, she hurried and alighted from the donkey, and fell before David on her face, bowing to the ground. ²⁴She fell at his feet and said, "Upon me alone, my lord, be the guilt; please let your servant speak in your ears, and hear the words of your servant. ²⁵My lord, do not take seriously this ill-natured fellow, Nabal; for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him; but I, your servant, did not see the young men of my lord, whom you sent...

³⁶Abigail came to Nabal; he was holding a feast in his house, like the feast of a king. Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunk; so she told him nothing at all until the morning light. ³⁷In the morning, when the wine had gone out of Nabal, his wife told him these things, and his heart died within him; he became like a stone. ³⁸About ten days later the Lord struck Nabal, and he died...

³⁹When David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, "Blessed be the Lord who has judged the case of Nabal's insult to me, and has kept back his servant from evil; the Lord has returned the evildoing of Nabal upon his own head." Then David sent and wooed Abigail, to make her his wife.
⁴⁰When David's servants came to Abigail at Carmel, they said to her, "David has sent us to you to take you to him as his wife."

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3) Don't fear the fool let faith build courage to
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4) critique and back off of
made and commitments.
5) Where you're prone to folly,
it down.