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Welcome to Church
If you are a visitor to our service this morning, please provide your name and address so we can acknowledge your visit by sending you a welcome note.

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And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”
“And He said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
And with all your soul, and with all your mind.’
This is the great and foremost commandment.

The second is like it,
‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’
On these commandments depend
The whole Law and the Prophets.”

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT
Matthew 22:36-40

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying,
“All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
Go, therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them
In the name of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
Teaching them to observe all that I commanded you;

And lo, I am with you always, even to
The end of the age.”

THE GREAT COMMISSION
Matthew 28:18-20

You can use the tear off on the edge of the bulletin and drop it in the offering box or the box in the foyer. Alternatively, you can click [here](#) or use the contacts below if you would like to:

- Acknowledge your visit with us (physical or virtual) OR
- Contact us with prayer requests, questions, concerns, needs OR
- Request visitation prayer at your specific location (in your home, at the hospital, or nursing facility, etc.)

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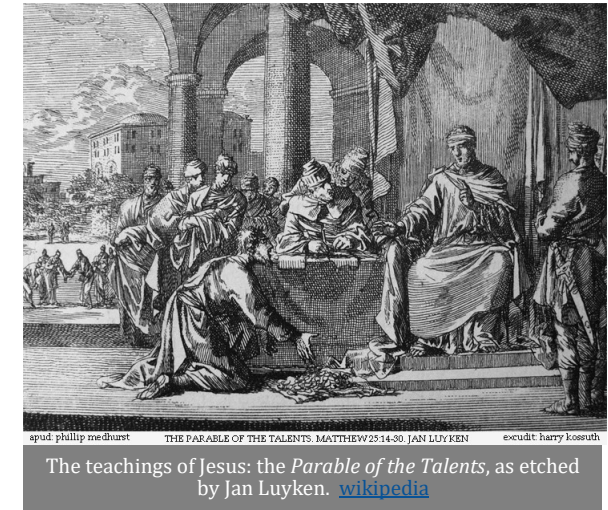
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February 12, 2023

MELBOURNE COMMUNITY CHURCH

REFLECTING CHRIST'S LOVE

Sunday Service beginning at **9:30 AM**

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ORDER OF SUNDAY SERVICE

Special video opens the service

Old Testament Reading: [Isaiah 62:1-5](#)

Worship

Offering

Announcements of upcoming events

Pastoral prayer for the children before Sunday School classes.

The Nursery is available for infants & toddlers at any time.

New Testament Reading: [1 Peter 4:7-11](#)

“While We Are Waiting”, [Matthew 24:45-25:30](#)

by Brandon Harris, Teaching Pastor

The Lord’s Supper is offered, along with prayer ministry while worship continues.

Benediction & Closing Prayer



This Sunday Morning:

We need to retake your photo for the MCC directory. Please see Denice Hemenway in the *middle class room* after this or the following Sunday services.

This Sunday Morning:

Children’s Church: Pre-school—1st grade class and 2nd—6th grade class.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

02/12: This Sunday Evening:

Young Adult Small Group, **6:00 PM**, at Nathan and Heather Eley’s home.

02/14: Tuesday:

Memoirs Group, led by Barbara Murgatroyd, at **4:00 PM** in the church sanctuary. Text Barbara at [\(321\) 355-9705](#) for more information or just join us.

The Chosen Study for Ladies, in the MCC Sanctuary at **6:15 PM**. Contact Anne Straub, [\(321\) 750-2742](#).

02/15: Wednesday Evening

Under the Cross (UTX), this week with pizza at **6:00 PM**, then a lesson from **6:30 PM—7:30 PM**. For ages pre-school through 6th grade.

Youth Group will be meeting **6:00 PM—7:30 PM** at MCC.

Adult Gathering from **6:30 PM—7:30 PM** to pray, and discuss any questions regarding Sunday’s teaching and other items of devotional interest. We also have a *Zoom* option available.

02/16: Thursday:

Bible Art Journaling Group from **10:30 AM—12:30 PM** also from **2:30—4:00 PM** in the MCC sanctuary. Text Barbara Murgatroyd [\(321\) 355-9705](#).

Women’s Prayer Group, meeting at **1:30 PM—3:30 PM**, For weekly meeting location, please contact the lead, Laurie Wilson [\(321\) 961-3658](#).

Intermediate Guitar Lessons, We’ll be working on songs and more complicated picking patterns & techniques. Alternating weeks with *Beginners+ Guitar Lessons*.

02/18: Saturday:

Ladies’ Morning Prayer Group at **8:00 AM** on *Zoom*. See Cindy Coleman.

UPCOMING EVENTS

02/19: Next Sunday

Sunday Service at **9:30 AM**. For next Sunday’s sermon read ahead [Matthew 25](#).

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Date 02/12/2023 I have a Prayer Request Questions Need

Prayer Requests or Questions for the Pastoral Team?

If you have questions or a prayer request, write in the space below and place in the offering basket or the box in the foyer.

(Optional) Name _____ Phone _____

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Sermon Notes

Last week: ““Christian ‘Preppers’”, [Matthew 24:36-44](#), by Brandon Harris, Teaching Pastor

Old Testament Reading: [Genesis 6:11-14, 17-](#); New Testament Reading: [2 Peter 3:3-13](#)

Outline

I. Encouragement to stay alert ([24:36-25:30](#))

A. Only the Father knows ([24:36](#))

B. Illustrative Encouragements ([24:37-25:30](#))

1. As in the Days of Noah ([24:37-39](#))

2. One taken, one left ([24:40-42](#))

3. The homeowner & the thief ([24:43-44](#))

C. Parables on How to Wait ([24:45-25:30](#))

II. The Final Judgment ([25:31-46](#))

W. D. Davies and Dale C. Allison Jr., *A Critical and Exegetical Commentary on the Gospel according to Saint Matthew*, vol. 3, International Critical Commentary (London; New York: T&T Clark International, 2004), 374.

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Old Testament Reading: [Isaiah 62:1-5](#); New Testament Reading: [1 Peter 4:7-11](#)

Parable of the Wise (not Wicked) Servant — [Matthew 24:45-51](#)

In the time of Jesus, what were the responsibilities of a steward or servant?

Are you waiting as someone who knows they will give an account for what you did in the waiting?

Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids (or Virgins) — [Matthew 25:1-13](#)

Why would the bridesmaids have to be watching through the night for when the groom would come to take his bride home?

Who was it that decided when the groom would go fetch his wife home?

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How might you interpret the need for the bridesmaids to continually refill their lamps with oil as they waited?

The late arrival of the unprepared virgins and others led to their rejection from entering into the wedding banquet. The Lord say that he doesn't know them. God knows those who are His. (See [Jeremiah 1:5](#); [Hosea 13:5](#); [Amos 3:2](#); [Galatians 4:8-9](#); [2 Timothy 2:19](#))

Are you waiting as someone who knows their Master's return is long delayed?

The Parable of the Bags of Gold — [Matthew 5:14-30](#)

What did the wicked servant do even though he knew his Master required an increase in his investment?

Are you waiting in such a way that you are improving your master's assets?

Encouragement for *While We Wait*

- We *wait* by *expecting* His unexpected (time of) return.
- We *wait* by staying awake and *watchful*.
- We *wait* by carrying on and *carrying out our duties*.
- We *wait* by *preparing* to play the long game.
- We *wait* by *investing* His investment in us.

Additional Notes:

Internet Resources: [The Bible Project: Matthew 14-28](#); [Matthew Overview Poster](#)