

# February 12, 2023

6th Sunday after Epiphany



## Come Worship the Living



### PRELUDE

### OPENING PRAYER

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HYMN

*Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*

UMH# 273

1 Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing  
good to all,  
healing pain and sickness, blessing chil-  
dren small,  
washing tired feet, and saving those who  
fall;

Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing  
good to all.

2 Take my hands, Lord Jesus, let them  
work for you;  
make them strong and gentle, kind in all I  
do.

Let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle  
too,  
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work  
for you.

### SPECIAL MUSIC

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 25:21-37

### NRSV

21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken

### NLT

21 "The master was full of praise. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' 22 "The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.' 23 "The master said, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' 24 "Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, 'Master, I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn't plant and gathering crops you didn't cultivate. 25 I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.' 26 "But the master replied, 'You wicked and lazy servant! If you knew I harvested crops I didn't plant and gathered crops I didn't cultivate, 27 why didn't you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.' 28 "Then he ordered, 'Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. 29 To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. 30 Now throw this useless servant into outer

away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink?

darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 31 "But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. 32 All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left. 34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. 36 I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' 37 "Then these righteous ones will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink?

**PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be  
done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CONSECRATING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS****DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**HYMN***Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

UMH# 140

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail  
not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

**Refrain:**

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2. Summer and winter and springtime and har-  
vest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

**Refrain**

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**Refrain****DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Virginia Abbott  
Alice Alford  
Matt Amason  
Betty Lou Brame  
Peggy Burch  
Mabel Campbell  
Melinda Campbell  
Justin Chamberlain  
Mitzie Conner  
Ralph Conner  
Lois Crafton  
Dot Davis  
Mitch Early  
Sherry Fox  
Cicero Gainer

Jackie Gray  
Doris Hancock  
Sibyle Harmon  
Elnora Holmes  
Nancy Hulon  
Brittany Johnson  
Judy McDaniel  
Andrew Miles  
Joe Miller Sr.  
Debbie Mullins  
Frances Owen  
David Pittman  
Sara Katherine Reid  
Vance Richardson  
Amy Salley

Janet Sheek  
Nell Simmons  
Fred Snyder  
Darlene Thomas  
Helen Wallace  
Curtis Walsh  
Jeff Walsh  
Iris Ward  
Sally Wheat

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Full calendar can be found at [www.ramseymemorial.org](http://www.ramseymemorial.org)

February 16	Prayer Group	(11:00am)
February 19	Transfiguration Sunday	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
February 22	Drive-Thru Ashes	(12:00pm-1:00pm, Door 5)
February 22	Ash Wednesday	(7:00pm, Sanctuary)
February 23	Prayer group	(11:00am)
February 26	1st Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
March 2	Prayer Group	(11:00am)
March 5	2nd Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)

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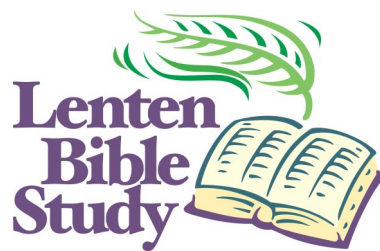
## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Our 2023 Lenten Offering will run from February 26 through Easter Sunday, April 9. We have set a goal of \$6,000 and the money we raise will go toward improvement projects at Ramsey. Whether you give online through Vanco or in the offering plate, please include the designation "Lenten Offering" in the note or memo section.

During Lent, Ramsey Church is studying together "He Chose the Nails" by Max Lucado. Sundays, February 26-April 2 9:00AM Study Guides are available. To receive a copy, call or email the church office at 804-276-

4628 / [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org). A donation of \$10 is appreciated but not required.



### ASH WEDNESDAY

On Ash Wednesday, February 22, Ramsey will offer two opportunities for you

to receive the imposition of ashes:

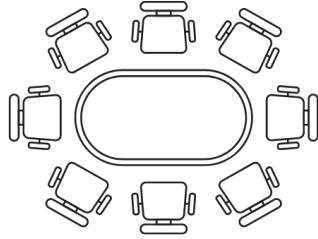
Noon-1pm Ashes To Go -- drive-by imposition of ashes in the church rear

parking lot by the awning area. Drive-by to receive your ashes in your vehicle.

7pm In-Person Worship Service -- in the Ramsey sanctuary



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## LEADERSHIP BOARD

Ramsey Church's new governance structure, the Leadership Board, will hold its monthly meeting in-person on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00pm in the CLC lobby.

All are invited to attend.

## 55+ LUNCHEON

We would like to invite you to the 55+ luncheon on Friday, March 10 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please give your RSVP to the church office (804-276-4628) by March 8.

Bring a friend!

