

MATTHEW 22:1-14

22 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 2 “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. 4 Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ 5 But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. 7 The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. 8 Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ 10 Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

11 “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, 12 and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ 14 For many are called, but few are chosen.”

WEEKLY CALENDAR

All programming is virtual unless otherwise indicated

Event Time	Event Name
Sunday, 11 October 2020	
9:00 AM to 9:45 AM	Sunday Morning In-Person Worship
10:00 AM to 10:30 AM	New Member Presbyterian Way Class
11:00 AM to 12:15 PM	Sunday Worship (Livestream)
Tuesday, 13 October 2020	
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM	Brown Bag Lunch with Tom
4:30 PM to 5:30 PM	Keep Fit 2020-21 - Tuesday Class
6:00 PM to 6:30 PM	New Member Presbyterian Way 2
Wednesday, 14 October 2020	
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM	Buildings and Grounds
Thursday, 15 October 2020	
7:45 AM to 8:45 AM	Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM to 10:15 AM	Women's Bible Study
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Keep Fit 2020-21 - Thursday Class
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	Brown Bag Dinner with Tom
Saturday, 17 October 2020	
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	In-Person New Member Class



— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

— NINE O’CLOCK IN-PERSON SERVICE —

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Exodus 32:1-14

Philippians 4:1-9

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

Matthew 22:1-14

WELCOME

We are glad you have joined us in worship today. Please remain in your seat and wear a mask during the entire service, except during self-serve communion. Communion cups may be discarded as you exit the sanctuary. We ask that you maintain 6’ distance from other worshippers at all times. Unsettled children may be taken to the Chapel, where you may view a simulcast of the service and available seats have been marked.

EXITING WORSHIP

Please wait for an usher to dismiss your pew following worship. We ask that you do not congregate at any time.

OFFERING

Please find a box for your offering as you exit the sanctuary. Your support of this service and the work of our Church is greatly appreciated.

LIVESTREAM MINISTRY

Services are broadcast, recorded and archived each Sunday via LiveStream and are available on the Brick Church website at www.brickchurch.org.

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THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Liz Wijeratne, by her sister, Helen Lynch.



NEXT SUNDAY’S PREACHER will be The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Evans

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN SOLO

"Morning Has Broken"

Bunessan

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, Shepherd of our hearts, You know our failings. You know where we have neglected You by neglecting our neighbor. We humbly confess that we have not lived as You call us to live: we have favored division instead of building community; we have consumed more instead of living simply; we have acted with impatience instead of with understanding; we have used words that crush instead of speaking words of love. Where we have failed to place our trust in You, heal us and form us into loving disciples of the One You sent, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who mends the broken and forgives every sin. Amen.

KYRIE

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

The child being baptized today is:

Luke Robert Peers

son of Lindsey Margery Peers and Ian Robert Peers

Elder William Crutchfield III will assist with today's baptism.

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS AND PRAYER

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise...

BAPTISM

BLESSING AND WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 22:1-14

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

(See scripture text at the end of this bulletin)

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Evans
"The Wedding Banquet"

THE RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(From A Brief Statement of Faith)*

We trust in God... In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature... We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation... Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

"He That is Down Needs Fear No Fall" *(The Pilgrim's Progress)*

He that is down needs fear no fall; He that is low, no pride; He that is humble ever shall have God to be his guide. I am content with what I have, little be it or much; And, Lord, contentment still I crave, because Thou savest such. Fullness to such a burden is that go on pilgrimage; Here little, and hereafter bliss, is best from age to age. — *John Bunyan (1628-1688)*

William Ferguson, tenor

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

THE SENDING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE