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**METHODIST
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Led by Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy,
Deputy Superintendent Minister

Preacher: Deacon Ali McMillan

Luke 12:13-34

LIVE STREAM WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy and Deacon Ali McMillan

VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP - We Give You Thanks
Centreline New Media

VIDEO HYMN - Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart
STF 78

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.

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And now let the weak say, 'I am strong,'
let the poor say, 'I am rich,'
because of what the Lord has done for us;
And now let the weak say, 'I am strong,'
let the poor say, 'I am rich,'
because of what the Lord has done for us;

Give thanks.

Henry Smith (b. 1952)

OPENING PRAYERS

Led by Deacon Ali McMillan

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please join in using your own language or the version you prefer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

VIDEO

Hymn and Her

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Revd Lansford Penn-Timity and Deacon Ali McMillan

GLOBAL GREETING

Alan Robson

OFFERING PRAYER

Led by Revd Lansford Penn-Timity

**VIDEO HYMN - For The Beauty Of The Earth
STF 102**

For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

*Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise*

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light:

*Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise*

For thyself best gift divine
To the world so freely given
For that great, great love of thine
Peace on earth and joy in heaven

*Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise*

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835–1917)

**GOSPEL LESSON Luke 12:13-34
Read by Michael Annoh**

13 Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.'
14 Jesus replied, 'Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?' 15 Then he said to them, 'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.'

16 And he told them this parable: 'The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. 17 He thought to himself, "What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops."

18 'Then he said, "This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. 19 And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"

20 'But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

21 'This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich towards God.'

22 Then Jesus said to his disciples: 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear.

23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes.

24 Consider the ravens: they do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! 25 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? 26 Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

27 'Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. 28 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you – you of little faith! 29 And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. 30 For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them.

31 But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

32 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

SERMON 'Fearless Generosity'
Deacon Ali McMillan

VIDEO HYMN - O Lord The Clouds Are Gathering
SoF 429

O Lord, the clouds are gathering,
the fire of judgement burns.
How we have fallen!
O Lord, You stand appalled
to see Your laws of love so scorned
and lives so broken.

*Have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord.
Forgive us, Lord, forgive us, Lord.
Restore us, Lord; revive Your church again.
Let justice flow, let justice flow,
like rivers, like rivers,
and righteousness like a never failing stream.*

O Lord, over the nations now,
where is the dove of peace?
Her wings are broken.
O Lord, while precious children starve,
the tools of war increase;
their bread is stolen.

*Have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord.
Forgive us, Lord, forgive us, Lord.
Restore us, Lord; revive Your church again.
Let justice flow, let justice flow,
like rivers, like rivers,
and righteousness like a never failing stream.*

Yet, O Lord, Your glorious cross shall tower
triumphant in this land,
evil confounding;
through the fire, Your suffering church displays
the glories of her Christ,
praises resounding.

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*Graham Kendrick (born 1950)
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PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

Led by Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy

VIDEO HYMN Earth Rejoice Our Lord Is King H & P 811

Earth, rejoice, our Lord is king!
Sons of men, his praises sing;
Sing ye in triumphant strains,
Jesus the Messiah reigns!

Power is all to Jesus given,
Lord of hell, and earth, and heaven,
Every knee to him shall bow;
Satan, hear, and tremble now!

Angels and archangels join,
All triumphantly combine,
All in Jesu's praise agree,
Carrying on his victory.

Though the sons of night blaspheme,
More there are with us than them;
God with us, we cannot fear;
Fear, ye fiends, for Christ is here!

Lo, to faith's enlightened sight,
All the mountain flames with light!
Hell is nigh, but God is nigher,
Circling us with hosts of fire.

Christ the Saviour is come down,
Points us to the victor's crown,
Bids us take our seats above,
More than conquerors in his love.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

CONTACTING THE HEALING PRAYER TEAM
Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy

THE BLESSING
Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Sinfonia 29 (Bach) - Gerard Brooks

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were the best father ever.

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wise.

Rest in peace Papa.”

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