# *Third Street Church*

# *Conference Call-Midweek Prayer and Bible Study*

# *Wednesday, October 21, 2020 - 6pm*

**Introductions/ Welcome - Pastor Reid**

**Opening Prayer – Elder Carolyn Werts**

**Opening Song Elder Allen Lowery Music Ministry**

**The Word: *Exodus 33:12-23* New International Version** -***NIV***

### Moses and the Glory of the Lord

**12**Moses said to the Lord, “You have been telling me, ‘Lead these people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, ‘I know you by name and you have found favor with me.’ **13**If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people.”

**14**The Lord replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

**15**Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. **16**How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?”

**17**And the Lord said to Moses, “I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name.”

**18**Then Moses said, “Now show me your glory.”

**19**And the Lord said, “I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the Lord, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. **20**But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live.”

**21**Then the Lord said, “There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. **22**When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. **23**Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen.”

***Reflection:***

While the Israelites were camped by Mt. Sinai, God powerfully appeared to them. Moses went up to the mountain and received the 10 commandments. While he was there the people became restless and made their own god out of a golden calf. Moses saw this, broke the tablets and returned to the mountain to hear from God.

Moses spent time with God daily and therefore this can be seen as a natural step in his relationship with God. However, Christ’s death on the cross forever destroyed the barrier between us and God. Each and every one of us has an opportunity to seek after God’s face. Do you long for God’s face? We should long for God’s face just as our lungs long for each breath of air!

Exodus proclaims that we belong to God and that God never abandons us. God is with us. The promise of Immanuel is to be with us in the midst of the mess and madness. Over and over again, God leads us from brokenness to restoration.

***Guiding Questions for Bible Study Discussion***

Please feel free to join in during the study we all learn and are studying God’s Word together. This conference call study is not to judge but to support and fellowship as people of faith.

1. What is a verse from today’s passage that is meaningful to you? Why?
2. What does Moses request that God does for him? Two requests v.13
3. In v. 14 What does God agree to do for Moses and the people ?
4. God says “: I will do the very thing you have asked because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_v.17
5. What is the one thing that God does not agree to do? Why?
6. How does God protect Moses?
7. Describe a cleft in a rock.
8. When did Moses see God’s face?
9. How do you feel Moses had been set apart for his service to God?

**Apply God’s Word to your Life:**

In you medication time look at these verses (John 1:1- 14 and Hebrews 1:1-4). *Something to think about*: How has God revealed his glory in your life?

**What Inspires you these days?**

It may seem like there is little today to inspire us. Hold on to inspiration find it in the midst of troubling times. Where do you find inspiration and hope these days? Is it a song, hymn, scripture or special reading? How has it helped inspire you? We leave time in the study each week for anyone to share with the group.

﻿**Faith in Action:**. The physical church doors are closed but we are the distance church wherever we are. Give, share, pray, reach out ***We are the Church.*** We cn reach out to others: text, call, email, US mail or virtual, that is our mission as the Body of Christ.

***Third Street. Church Homecoming Pledge*** is *$132.00* per person or any amount you can give. This is one dollar for each year since the church was established. Please donate before **Nov. 20.**

First Sunday of Advent is Nov. Nov. 29. Our denomination upcoming Presbyterian Church Wide offering ***Christmas Joy* Offering Nov. 29-Dec. 20. 2020**. More information: Here is the link, click on offerings: https://specialofferings.pcusa.org

**Evening Prayer- Pastor Reid**

 **Let us lift up people/situations in God’s world for prayer. Write prayer requests and praise reports in your prayer journal each week. We can keep our brothers and sister lifted up in our daily prayer time.**

**Followed by the Lord’s Prayer*…. Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name…….***

**Closing Song: Elder Allen Lowery - Music Ministry**

**Words of Sending:**

L: My brothers and Sisters the world will be different tomorrow but we know Christ’s love and protection abides with each of us! In Christ go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
**ALL: in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen**

Thank you for joining our Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer this week! Our next study will be **Wednesday , Nov. 4 at 6pm.**

With the Love of Christ,

Pastor Reid