# Wellspring CONTEMPORARY

# **MATTHEW 13:1-9**

# October 3, 2021 10:05 & 11:10

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All of us have ambitions and long to do more in this life. But we also have all kinds of distractions, misunderstandings, and assumptions blurring what we need to do to bring our dreams to life. In order to tap into our deepest passions and unleash the purpose God has for us, we must assess our understanding of who we are and how God sees us. We need to become fully awake to ourselves and to the God-given purpose for our lives. That is what **Dream Big** is all about – exploring your hopes, dreams, ambitions, and the real purpose God has implanted within you.

It is good to be with you in worship! We are a place where everyone is welcome, accepted, and encouraged to discover the fullness of life in Jesus Christ. If you are new, please feel free to ask questions, be yourself, get connected, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable.

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## Sermon: Clear the Paths Scripture: Matthew 13:1-9

## Sermon Notes

Take time this week to read over the Scripture and ask these questions to see how they might shape your life.

- 1. What limiting beliefs did you receive in your childhood (messages about your talent, intelligence, body, size, ethnicity, etc.)? How does this limiting belief affect you presently?
- 2. What's one thing you would change about yourself if you could? Why?
- 3. Read in the bible, Matthew 13:1-9.
- 4. Consider your resources (time, money, energy, things) as seeds. When have you felt like you were scattering your "seeds" in non-fruitful directions? What do you use to evaluate the fruitfulness of your seeds?
- 5. Where do you need to stop planting to maximize your resources in ways that actualize your dreams?
- 6. When have you seen your efforts explode with good things beyond what you imagined?
- 7. Where does God want you to plant right now?
- 8. Spend time in prayer.

#### Dream Big – Small Groups

It is not too late to join a group. We have three groups available:

- Sunday mornings 9:00am in room C200
- Sunday mornings 10:05am in room C205
- Sunday evenings 5:00pm in room E215 & Online. Email <u>kmelvin@sharingtheheart.org</u> for Zoom link.



"Like" our Facebook page and be sure to check-in online! For every new "like" and "check-in" we receive, we will provide three meals to hungry kids!

That's right! Your simple check-in helps spread the word about Wellspring and feeds kids. This is a simple click of the button that can have a big impact. Scan the QR code with your smart phone camera to be taken to our Facebook page.

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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### WELCOME, CJ!

Today is new Youth Minister CJ Rice's first Sunday! She will be at The Hub this morning and tonight getting to know our wonderful youth group. We're excited to have her! You can reach out to her at cirice@sharingtheheart.org.

#### **NEW ONLINE DEVOTIONALS**

Each week on Tuesday morning, see a short devotion from our pastors as they share what is making their fall fresh! Videos can be found on our Facebook page or the church website. Share with your friends during our Fresh Start Fall!

#### TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us for the First Annual Trunk or Treat from 5-7 pm on 10/24 for this churchwide and community-wide event! Decorate your trunk, dress up, and make some children smile! You may also donate bags of candy to the cause! Share this event with friends, family, neighbors, and on social media! It is sure to be a spooky, fun event. There will be prizes, so start planning your costume and theme! Sign up your trunk on our New + Upcoming page on the website.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

We are still encouraging people to wear masks, maintain distance, and get vaccinated if possible. Online worship and classes are available if you feel ill and need to stay home.

#### **ONLINE RESOURCES**

- Attendance
- Giving
- Prayer Request
- Newsletter
- Join the church

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**NEW WIFI** Network: FUMC Guest

#### GENEROSITY

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

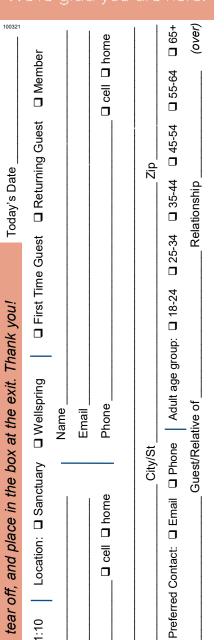
Today's Communion Rail Offering will go toward construction costs for the Panama mission trip. The Team departs Oct. 16-24. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Join us 10/10 at 4:30 in the parking lot as we bless our pets! Bring your bunnies, cats, dogs, iguanas...even stuffed animals! We will also have pet bandanas with the church logo for sale so your pet can match your church shirt!

#### PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Friday, October 8th from 6-9:30 for kids ages 3 years through 5th grade. You can find more info and the sign up link on the Children's Ministry page. Fun night for kids and parents!



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#### STAY CONNECTED

For the latest news and events. subscribe to the weekly church newsletter, "The Echo," online at SharingTheHeart.org/Newsletter

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Engage with us on social media for up to date information and deeper connections.



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Melissa Church, Rev. Stacey Piyakhun stacey@melissaumc.com

Please remember these names in your prayers

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

† Greg Bullmer and Family on the loss of his older Brother, Mike Bullmer

† Omar Alvarez and Family on the loss of his Grandmother, Maria Alvarez

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- Braxton Pinero
- Dana Brown
- Delilah Sanderson
- Don Childs
- Don White
- · Dorothy Whitfield
- Ed Mapes
- Fred Wilkins
- Garrel Dean
- Gary and Peggy Rima
- Jackie Zarate
- Jackie Lynn
- Jay Harris
- Jennifer
- Jenny
- Juanita
- Judy Cox
- Justin Melvin
- Marti Kale
- · The Browns Family
- Tina Cristino

Thomas R. Storey

- · Rev. David & Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama
- · Friends in care facilities · Everyone affected by the
- Coronavirus and Variants Families experiencing job loss
- · Church families in transition
- Those experiencing homelessness
- Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
- Melissa United Methodist Church
- Caldwell Elementary School
- · Military service members including:

Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, Jose Almaguer, 1st Lt Joe Beeby, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CTI2 Abigail Burns, CPT Aaron Bush, CPL Bradley Bush, AFC Drew Causey, Rev. Dr. Capt Adam Cavalier, 2nd Lt Vincent Chavez, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, MSG Brian Franck, PFC Cody Furstenberg, Charlie

Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., LT Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Capt John Martin, Lt Logan McQuerry, Maj. Richard Milam, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT, SFC Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt Austin Rine, SPC Blake Robertson, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Colby Seamster II, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Jonathan Spiegal, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier

Please submit updates and new prayer requests to www.sharingtheheart.org/pray Thank you.