

February 14th Bulletin

Prelude

Announcements (will be on Facebook Live screen)

Call to Worship:

Pastor: Good and upright is the Lord

People: Therefore He instructs sinners in the way

Pastor: He leads the humble in what is right

People: And teaches the humble his way

Opening Hymn #45 *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

Opening Prayer and Prayer of Confession

Children’s Sermon: Becky Gillaugh

Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17 OT page 66

Sermon: The Ten Commandments

Time of Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil:

for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn #537 *“Lord, Be Glorified”*

Offering Reminder (*online giving is available at www.cedarvilleunited.org*)

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction #555 v.1 *“More Love to Thee, O Christ”*

Postlude

Sermon Notes:

INTRODUCTION

- Not so much what each commandment means, but what did they represent to the Israelites

WHERE ARE WE IN EXODUS?

- Chapters 1–18 – events preceding and following flight from Egypt
- Chapters 20 on – legislation
- Ten Commandments
 - Legal contract – similar to treaties at the time
 - Covenant was not a bargain between two parties but a contract written by God which could be either accepted or rejected by the people.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- Respect
 - The message is clear: a healthy, holy society is built on respect.
 - Loss of respect for God leads to idolatry, and the loss of respect for people leads to immorality and injustice.
- Responsibility
 - Increasingly we are taught that we are not responsible for our actions.
 - God says we are responsible before him for how we live.
- Retribution
 - Capital punishment
 - Distinction between intentional and accidental death
 - Clear system of restitution

Questions To Discuss

Respect – Do we have a deep reverence and respect for God? Do we live as though we trust God with everything, or do we tend to want to control everything in our lives?

Responsibility – Do we take responsibility for our sins?

Opening Hymn #45 *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise his name – I’m fixed upon it – name of God’s redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I’ve come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here’s my heart, O, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Closing Hymn #537 *“Lord, Be Glorified”*

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In my song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In my song, Lord, be glorified today.

In your Church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your Church, Lord, be glorified today.

Benediction #555 v.1 *“More Love to Thee, O Christ”*

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee:
hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee;
this is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee!