WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday: July 29th, 2018

9:30	Welcome & Opening Prayers
10:00	Sunday School
10:40	Praises & Worship
10:55	Congregational Hymns
11:10	Today's Message
	Why Anxious?
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July Birthdays & Anniversaries

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July 8th Brother Marchant & Sister Laurel's 18th Anniversary

Why Anxious?

Text: Matthew 6: 25-31

Our world is changing very fast; there is something new every day. The pace at which the world is changing places huge depends on us. Money, fame, worldly desires drive us to the point where people become restless: we spend sleepless nights thinking about the next move, about how to keep with the pace. Anxiety sets in, and then anxiety depression takes hold of us. The consequence of these is evident: clinical depression, suicide etc. One will think that Christians are immune from these, but no! Christians get anxious as well – but why? Is God failing His Church / people, has He forgotten about us?

I believe the reason is simple: Christians have decided to serve two masters: "God and mammon!" Yet God warns us against this because it leads to anxiety and fear. For example, in Matthew 6 Jesus Christ arms us with arguments against the sin of distrustful care for the things of life i.e. He warns us not to be anxious for what we will eat and what we will wear.

In Mathew 6 we are commanded not to be anxiety because:

- It takes away the joy of the Lord and our fellowship with family and friends
- 2. It is unbelief in God who says He will provide all our needs according to His riches

Then we are given arguments for why we are not supposed to be anxious:

- 1. The heart and eyes of the Lord is upon us
- 2. He who cares for less important things (inferior) will equally care for His children

Could this be an encouragement for laziness or idealness? NO!!!

- 1. We are encouraged to learn from the birds of the air who neither saw, reap, nor gather into barns yet God feeds them, BUT we are also told to learn from the ant for they gather and plan
- 2. We are told to learn from the lilies for they do not toil nor spin yet our Father cloths them, BUT we are also told to be like the woman in Proverbs 31:19, 24 for she toils, saws and spins for her cloths

Note: our Father will forever provide for our basic needs – we should not be anxious about that. But He will also bless the work of our hands, and how we use our abilities.

Announcements:

- Welcome newcomers
- **Worship Times** (refer to the bulletin)
- **Redemption Hour** Sunday 6 pm at the Church.
- **July Birthdays** Inside bulletin.
- **Friday Morning Prayers** 9 am Prayer Session for Spiritual Power.
- **Monthly "All Night Prayers"** for the Community Every 1st Saturday at 9 pm.
- **Welfare Membership forms** available on the table at the back of the Church. We are reminded to pay our Welfare dues.
- Vacation Bible School forms 1st Church of the Brethren, July 29th – August 2nd, VBS is for children 4 – 12. The VBS forms are on the table at the back of the Church. Please return completed forms to Pastor Dadeboe or Pastor BB.
- www.ChristDisciplesUSA.com Sermons, Tithing, and more.

Visitors: If you are new to our area and are looking for a Church home, we would love to have you as a part of our Church family. Please leave us your name and phone number so that we may contact you.

Please complete our **Guest Information card** which will be presented to you by our ushers. Thanks for joining us and we hope to see you again.

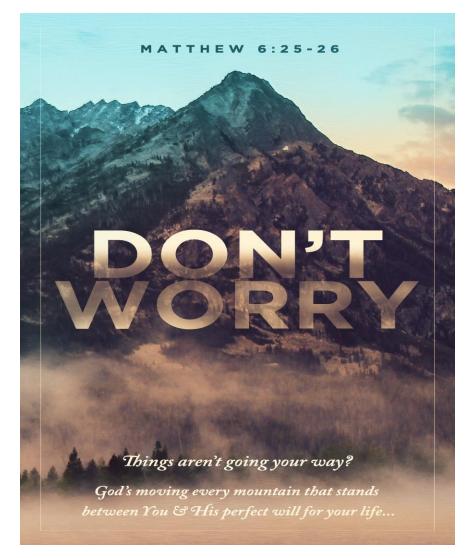
Benediction:

2 Corinthians 13 v 14

"May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us now and ever more." **Amen**

Psalm 23 v 6

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever and ever." **Amen**



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