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Call to worship.

This is the day the Lord
hath blessed. This is
his Holy house. Let us
worship God in humility
and faith.

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Holy, Holy, Holy

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This is the day we have
been waiting for. This is
the day we have been
waiting for. We are
waiting for the Lord.

Hymns

530

706

266

297

Hymns

Invocation Prayer.

Our Father God we meet
in this thy house, we who
are mortal come to thee for
comfort and guidance. May
we approach the throne of
thy Grace and Love in
humility and of a contrite
spirit. From the plentiful
fountain of thy goodness
may we draw refreshment of
soul and gain incentive and
courage ^{faith} to face the problems
that will confront each one of
us this day and all ensuing
days.

Hymns:

530 Key Every morning
~~997 Jesus thou my~~
of loving hearts

Responsive Reading Sel. 706
From PSALM 39

Aymn 530

How Every morning is
the love.

Responsive Election

706 from Psalm

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Hymn. 297

Jesus thou joy
of loving hearts

Scripture Reading

St Luke 12 ÷ 13-20
v 31 & 34.

The Lord Bless to us
this ~~portion~~ of his
scripture.

Prayer.

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Offering. As we have
~~received~~ is let us return
to God.
Prayer.

Lord Bless these
our gifts to thee
for of thine own
have we returned
Thee.

St Luke 2. Address

- 17 And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits
18. And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and goods.
19. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat drink, and be merry.
20. But God said unto him Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided.

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Would it be out of order for us to think of this parable as a summation of man's life? I like to think of this rich man as a man who in his youth thought much of God. He may not have done, but let us give him the benefit of the doubt. Probably he was industrious and had faith in himself and God.

But as he grew older and his wealth and worldly possessions increased something happened. He gradually relaxed his faith in God and became obsessed with the idea that he himself was only responsible for his material success.

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If we look we can discern something of the transition that took place in this man's life. Perhaps when young and full of ideals he referred to his few possessions or his land or business as our land or our business or our job. Gradually as his goods accumulated and his wealth increased he slipped out of the idea of any partnership with God and at the time of which Jesus spoke we find that all his thoughts were now expressed in the first person and possessively. So we have the parable depicting him as a man of much wealth whose idea of expression of success was I've barns, my flocks, my goods etc.

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How it is easy for us to say "But all men are not like that, why I know so & so and so and so They don't build bigger barns or bigger businesses, or are self satisfied like the man in the parable.

But how easy to grow that way. How easy for success after success to weaken our faith in God and increase our belief of our own infallibility.

This parable is so applicable to our time that I find it has a parallel in something that takes place all around us. We hear a lot these days of soil erosion. We who are engaged in agricultural pursuits are more aware of it than perhaps the business man.

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But one is no less affected than the other. The constant effect of wind sun and rain upon exposed earth often creates a condition that leads to huge quantities of earth being washed away, sparse crops and of a low nutritive value are the result. We call it soil erosion. In our haste to develop the land and acquire more riches and goods and fruits we often starve what may well impoverish future generations. To those of us that read this parable of the rich man and his barns it becomes not applicable to one or two ^{individuals} ~~seen~~ whom we know but to the whole world of men.

Prayer.

Our Father in Heaven,
On this day of rest we
turn to thee for comfort
and guidance. Bless
all those that worship
today the whole world
over. Guide them and
keep them so that by
their example they
may draw more

Of thy people to thee
so that thy goodness
and love shall be on
every tongue. Comfort
the destitute and homeless.
Heal those who are lying
this day in beds of pain.
Let them through their
tribulation find the peace
and love that passeth

We ask thy blessing
upon all those in
Authority over us.

Our beloved King
and all his counsellors

Touch those that
are sad of heart this
day and bring to
them peace and
contentment. We
ask this in the

name of thy Dear
son Christ Jesus who
taught us when we
pray to say .

Our Father which
art in Heaven
Hallowed be thy
Name .

All understanding.

Be near the aged
ones, guide our
youth Oh God that
they may come to
know the better and
better. Strengthen
their faith in thee
and this very world.
Temper their idealism
with justice and mercy.

that they may carry
through to fine old
age a faith unshaken
by all the buffets of
the world. Incline our
hearts to wait upon
thee and be prepared
for thy call which
comes to each and
every one of us

Announcements.

Hymn 266. Jesus
Love of my soul

Children will go
downstairs. Lantern.
Address.

St. Luke 12 ÷ 17-20

Benediction :

The Lord Bless you
and keep you. The Lord
make his face to shine
upon you and give
you peace, now and
forevermore

Amen.