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## **Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)**

**21** “Caesar’s,” they replied. Then he said to them, “So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

**22** When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away. Footnotes (a) [Matthew 22:17](#) A special tax levied on subject peoples, not on Roman citizens

## **Psalm 96:1-9 (10-13) (NIV)**

**1** Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**2** Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

**3** Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous deeds among all peoples.

**4** For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

**5** For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

**6** Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

**7** Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**8** Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

**9** Worship the Lord in the splendor of his (a) holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. Footnotes: (a) [Psalm 96:9](#) Or LORD with the splendor of

**10** Say among the nations, “The Lord reigns.” The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

**11** Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it.

**12** Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

**13** Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

## **PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

*18 October 2020 – Harvest Sunday – at 12 Noon*

### **WE GATHER IN GOD’S PRESENCE**

**Meditation** 11:55 A.M. **Silent Meditation**

**Prelude** **Tomasz Piętak**

**Greeting/Announcements** **Rev. Dr. Neil Parker**

#### **• #95 *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er The Sun***

**1.** Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
doth its successive journeys run;  
his love shall spread from shore to shore  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

**4.** Blessings abound where'er he reigns;  
all prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.

**5.** Let every creature rise with song;  
honors and praise to Christ our belong;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud amen!

### **Time with Children**

## WE HEAR THE WORD

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

Euripedes Ribeiro

### Responsive Psalm

Psalm 96:1-9 (10-13)

(See pages-3-4)

### Sermon

Bringing In  
The..... Cheese?

Rev. Dr. Neil Parker

## WE RESPOND IN THANKS AND PRAYER

### • #714 For the Fruit of All Creation

1. For the fruit of all creation,  
thanks be to God;  
for the gifts to every nation,  
thanks be to God;  
for the plowing, sowing, reaping,  
silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safekeeping,  
thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labor,  
God's will is done;  
in the help we give our  
neighbor,  
God's will is done;  
in our worldwide task of caring  
for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing,  
God's will is done.

3. For the harvests of the Spirit,  
thanks be to God;  
for the good we all inherit,  
thanks be to God;  
for the wonders that astound us,  
for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all that love has found us,  
thanks be to God..

### Prayers of the People

#### Lord's Prayer

#### Offering

#### Doxology

### • #47 Praise God

Praise God from whom all blessings Flow.  
Praise Him all here below.  
Praise Him above the Heavenly Hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

- All who are able, please rise.

## Announcements / Sharing

## WE GO INTO GOD'S WORLD WITH BLESSING

### • #39 My Tribute

#### Chorus

To God be the glory  
To God be the glory  
To God be the glory  
For the things He has done  
With His blood He has saved me  
With His pow'r He has raised me  
To God be the glory  
For the things He has done.

### • Blessing / Commissioning

### • #312 Amen

Congregational Amen

- Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

Tomasz Piętak

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## Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)

### Paying the Imperial Tax to Caesar

**15** Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. **16** They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. **17** Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax[a] to Caesar or not?"

**18** But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? **19** Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, **20** and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"