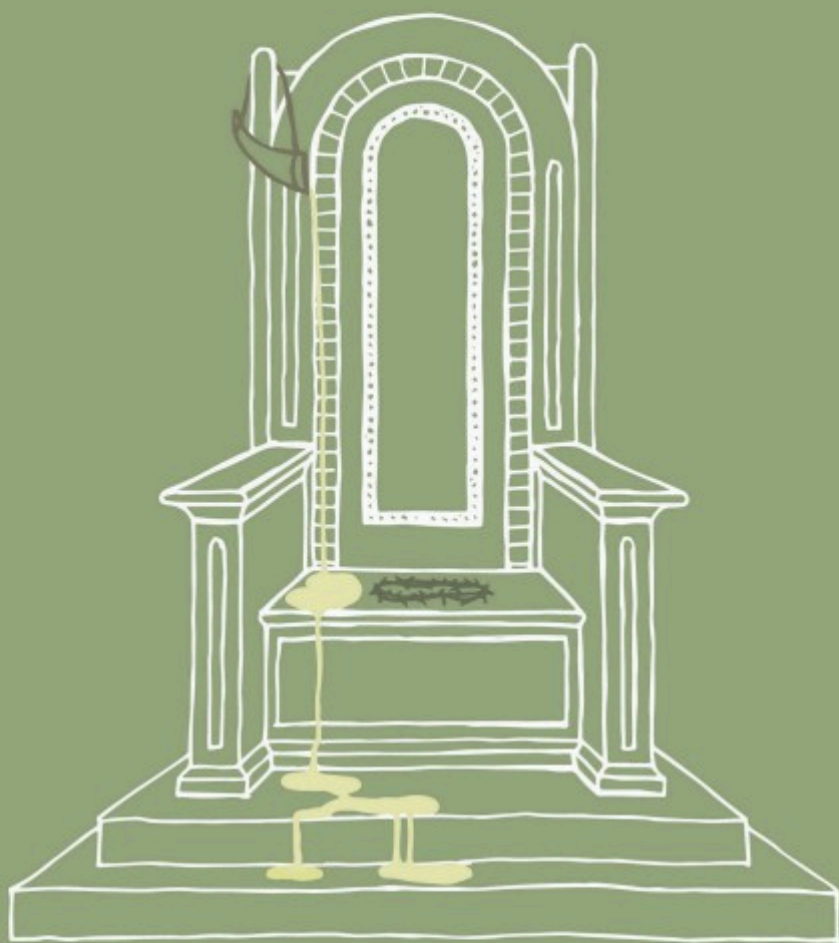




A Kingmaker and a Kingdom, Pt. 2

November 16, 2025



WELCOME

Whether you are a Christian or an other-than-Christian, we welcome you. We gather every Sunday morning to renew our covenant with God as we celebrate the Lord's Day by worshiping Him in Spirit and in truth. If you're new here, we would love to meet you! Nursery is available for children 2 and under during Sunday school and the worship service. Worshipers in Training (WIT) is available for 3-and 4-year-olds and they are dismissed prior to the sermon during the worship service. The Sufficient Grace Worship Room is available upon request for children & adults with special needs. Please go to the check-in desk for more information. For those who may be hard of hearing, we have assisted listening devices available for use. Please ask an usher to be directed to a member of the A/V team for assistance.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

At Heartland we observe The Lord's Supper on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The Lord's Supper is meant to further unite us to Jesus Christ and to one another. We welcome to this table all who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who have professed faith in Christ for salvation, and who have been admitted to the table by the leadership of a Bible-believing Church. If you are unsure or have questions, please contact one of our pastors or elders.

CONNECT

Looking to connect with others in the church? Have questions about Heartland Community Church? Hurting and need someone to talk to? If so, we're here to help. To get started, please email connect@heartlandpca.org or scan the QR code with your phone's camera and complete the online Connection Card.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

INTRODUCING THE HEARTLAND SERVICE BANK TEAM

The deacons are excited to announce the launch of a new initiative called the Heartland Service Bank. The Service Bank is a structured approach to helping our church bear one another's burdens. As the service division of the Mercy Ministry, the Service Bank comes alongside to support with deeds of service. We'd ask that everyone review the list via the QR-code to learn more and prayerfully consider volunteering your skills and services to help serve those in need within our congregation.

For questions or to submit a need for service, email servicebank@heartlandpca.org



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Gathering Song

Shout To The Lord

Welcome & Announcements

Call To Worship & Invocation

Song Of Adoration

Only A Holy God

Prayer Of Confession

Assurance Of Pardon

Song Of Thanksgiving

His Mercy Is More

Doxology

Prayer Of Supplication

Song Of Preparation*

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 25:1-44

Sermon

Wisely Responding To Folly – Pastor Jonathan

Song Of Response

Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)

Benediction

(3-4 YEAR OLDS ARE INVITED TO WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING)*

DISCUSSION GUIDE

A KINGMAKER AND A KINGDOM, PART 2

1 Samuel 25:1-44

CONTEXT

On the run from Saul, David's trust in the LORD's purposes for David's kingdom is tested for a second time. Having kept his hand from killing Saul (ch. 24), now David is tempted by a fool who repays evil for good. How might the LORD be using these even to prepare David to be His chosen king?

STRUCTURE OF THE TEXT

- 25: 1-13 Foolish Nabal tempts David
- 25:14-35 Discerning Abigail pleads with David
- 25:36-44 The LORD avenges and blesses David

EXPLORING THE TEXT

1. What was the basis for David's request from Nabal?
2. Keeping in mind that "Nabal" means fool, what did Nabal's response to David reveal about his heart (vv9-10; see also Psalm 14:1)?
3. How did David initially respond to Nabal's folly (see vv13, 21-22)?
4. When Abigail, Nabal's wife, learned what had happened, she "made haste" to intercept David's war party. How did Abigail persuade David that his vengeful response to Nabal was shortsighted (vv24-31)?
5. How did David respond (vv32-35)? What does he acknowledge?
6. In the final movement (vv36-44), how does the LORD deal with Nabal and David? How is this a fulfillment of what Abigail reminded David?

CONNECTING TO THE GOSPEL

1. How does Jesus's response to foolish men who betrayed, insulted and treated him with contempt compare with David's initial response (e.g., compare vv13, 21-22 with John 18:11, Matt 26:53, Luke 23:11, 34)?
2. How does Jesus's life and death provide a way for foolish people to escape the just vengeance of the LORD (see Isa 53:4-5, Rom. 3:23-26, 5:8-10)?
3. How does Jesus's resurrection and ascension provide the promise that one day all wrongs will be avenged (see Acts 17:31, 2 Thess. 1:5-10)?

CONCLUSIONS

1. How does this story invite you to repent from foolish responses to foolish people and evil things in the world?
2. How does this story invite you to listen to the voice of wisdom that says, 'Vengeance belongs to the LORD'?
3. How does this story invite you to give thanks and praise to Jesus, who is the embodiment of wisdom?

SERMON NOTES

Wisely Responding to Folly
1 Samuel 25:1-44

Lined area for sermon notes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GETTING AHEAD - JAN 5TH THRU MAY 4TH

Heartland is excited to host "Getting Ahead", a 16 week program for individuals and families that are struggling to get by. Each Monday evening the participants will be provided a meal, childcare, and essential tools to change their circumstances.

We're inviting **Heartland Community Groups** to partner with us by providing dinner. We ask our Community Groups to discuss this as a group and prayerfully consider joining together to make or cater a meal for one or two Mondays this spring. Dinner will be served at 5:15pm. Leaders can see further information and sign up using the QR Code.

We're inviting **Heartland families** to partner with us by helping with childcare for the participants. We will require there to be two adult members present in the nursery during childcare, your children are welcome to join and/or assist. You will be compensated for your family's time. To see further details and to sign up please scan the QR Code.



Meals



Childcare

THE BIGGEST STORY - ADVENT

The Biggest Story - Advent books are available in the Gathering Area. We are asking that you "pay what you can". We would love for families to enjoy these books this holiday season and will have them available as long as supplies lasts.

FOOD DONATIONS - NOW THRU NOV 23RD

Now through Nov 23 please consider donating *non-perishable* food items. We are hoping to help families of Beech Elementary School children, but also want to offer help to any in need here at the church. Donations can be brought to the front office throughout the week and to the designated drop-off on Sundays.

HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FOR THANKSGIVING

International Students Inc. is seeking families to host international students for the Thanksgiving holiday. This program provides opportunities for families to engage with international students to experience American culture through families like yours. If you are interested in hosting, please scan the QR code. ISI is requesting sign ups to be submitted by Friday, November 23.



SAVE THE DATE

November 23 - Jeff & Nancy Stout's Going Away Party - Gathering Area, 3:00-5:00pm

November 29 - Church Christmas Decorating - 9:00am

December 17 - Heartland Christmas Caroling

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

YEAR TO DATE GIVING 2025

BUDGET: \$897,878

ACTUAL: \$885,648

