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Welcome to worship as we celebrate this Sunday. Please tune your radios to 92.3 FM to hear the audio of the worship service.

Drive-in worship services guidelines

- You are encouraged to get out of your vehicle and sit in a lawn chair (bring your own lawn chair) next to your vehicle *or in the open area in front of the stage* during the service. Please wear a mask and keep a 6 ft. distance for those outside your family/quarantine group.
- The restroom by the pre-school is open if needed. Please remember to wear your mask and keep a 6 foot distance from others.
- Communion elements in pre-wrapped self-contained packages will be distributed from the altar/table to your car or to where you are sitting.

Welcome to Worship

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (silence for reflection)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Gathering Hymn Here I am Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,	I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,	I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,	I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin	my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them.	They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them.	My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night,	I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone,	give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide	till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them?	Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them.	Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them.	Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
 call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
 lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you

P: The word is near you,

C: on your lips and in your heart.

P: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

C: and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

P: Faith comes from what is heard,

C: and what is heard comes through the word of Christ. (*Romans 10*)

P: The Lord be with you,

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray,

Gracious God, our faith wanes and falters without the intervening power of your Word. Pour out your Spirit that your word continually comes into our ears and your promise of life and forgiveness in Christ Jesus is reposted in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

THE WORD

First Reading

Romans 10:5-17

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” ¹⁶But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” ¹⁷So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Musical Meditation

How Beautiful

Abigail Thompson

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds.²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear.²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

²⁸Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.”²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus.³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!”³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?”³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“God’s Reach”

Pastor Bill

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. (*Ephesians 1:13-14*)

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs....

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: At this time, take a moment to sit in peace or share peace if you are worshipping with other people (or shout to the car next to you 😊)

Community Time

Offering

Offering Music

Offering Prayer

P: God our creator,

C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature.

With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Justin Cormier

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of two systems. The first system contains the first four measures of the hymn, with lyrics: "Ho - ly - Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord. God al - migh - ty". The second system contains the next four measures, with lyrics: "Hea - ven and Earth are full of your glo - ry. Bles - sed three in one. one." The score includes a treble clef and a bass clef, with various chords (Am, G, F, E) and melodic lines for both voices. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Post-Communion Prayer

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

P: Let us pray, God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation, you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ of Lord. Amen

Benediction

P: May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.

C: Amen

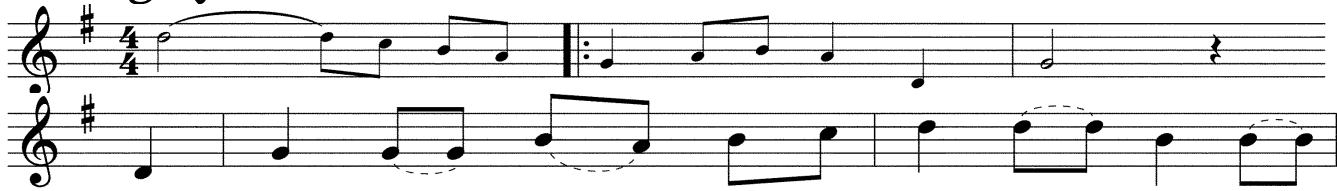
P: May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C: Amen

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen (*Romans 15*)

Sending Hymn The Lord of the Dance



1. I danced in the morn - ing when the world was be - gun, And I
 2. I danced for the scribe and the phar - i - see, But
 3. I danced on the Sab - bath and I cured the lame: The
 4. I danced on a Fri - day when the sky turned black; It's
 5. They cut me down and I leapt up high; †



danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, And I
 they would not dance, and they would-n't fol - low me; I
 ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They
 hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They
 I am the life that - 'll nev - er, nev - er die; I'll



came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth; At
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John; They
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, And
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone; But
 live in you if you'll live in me: 7



Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
 came with me and the dance went on.
 left me there on a Cross to die.
 I am the dance and I still go on.
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.



Dance then wher - ev - er you may be; I am the



Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wher -



ev - er you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

Dismissal

L: We are grace filled!

C: And Spirit led!

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Worship Leaders for August 9th

Preaching: Pastor Bill

Presiding: Pastor Jonathan & Pastor Paula

Reader: Debbie Marsch

Altar Flowers: Dick & JoAnne Wales, in memory of their daughter.

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 56:1-8, Matthew 15:10-28

As you read the lesson, ask yourself two questions:

Why was this story told? Where do you see God at work?

Prayer and Care: Gloria Crawford anticipating hand surgery on August 12th. Ace Edwards recovering from receiving a new pacemaker. Linda Valentine recovering from surgery. Roger & Marcia Serwold mourning the death of Marcia's mother. Caroline Gierke undergoing tests. Don Leonardy in hospice. Evelyn Flegel's family mourning her death.

All who continue to work on the front lines of care for the sick and research for a remedy, all who are at risk because of their employment or service, all who are suffering because of lack of access to care, all who struggle with illness of mind or body to stay safe and sane, and all affected by a changing economy.

Recovering from illness/surgery: Jerry Rowley, Marcia Anderson, Ace Edwards, Gloria Crawford, Carol Maddux, Tom Starks, Maggie Duff, Joyce Banka, Treena Stanley, Priscilla LaCroix.

Facing Cancer: Nora Goller (Terrance Wright's Aunt), Julie Enger, Maggie Duff, Cindy Harness, Jim Weisbrodt, Elizabeth Domahidy, Dave Ryan, Jim McKelvy, Ron Maddux, Kathy Schaeffer, and Carol Wales.

Deployed & Military Support & their families: Jason Starks, Paul Voigt, Jillian Radtke, Bradley Schaeffer, Rebecca Mackey, Eric Fromm, Megan Seawolf, Jared Cain, Andrew Catron, David Wooten and all their families.

Continued Prayer: John Daly, Regina Cloninger, Alan Rue, Shirley Chu, Dori Pitts, Lucile Lampi, Peggy Grigg, Mary Huff, Hilma Bridges, Matt Ryan, Web Rhodes, Randy Fossum, Clara Barr, Marilyn Running, Dave Hagen, Craig Messett, Laura Gessner, Arlene Phillips, Jadon Sansgaard, John and Nancy Matronic, Jean & Bill Locke & Michael Klein.

Remembering all who are homebound or in ill health.