



Sunday, May 24th, 2020

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.” John 15:12-14

Order of Worship and Lyrics
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Welcome and Call to Worship:

Hymn #642: God of our Fathers

God of our father, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band

Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;

Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;

Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never ending day;

Fill all our lives with love and grace divine;
And flory, laud and praies be ever Thine!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise Song: God the Uncreated One

God the uncreated One, the Author of salvation
Who wrote the laws of space and time,
And fashioned worlds to His design

The One whom angel hosts revere,
Hung the stars like chandeliers
Numbered every grain of sand,
Knows the heart of every man
He is King forever, He is King forever,
He is King forevermore

God our fortress and our strength
The Rock on which we can depend,
Matchless in His majesty, His power and authority

Unshaken by the schemes of man,
Never changing Great I am
Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall,
He is faithful through it all
Crown Him King forever, crown Him King forever,
Crown Him King forevermore

Mighty God in mortal flesh,
Forsaken by a traitor's kiss
The curse of sin and centuries
Did, pierce the lowly Prince of Peace

O lifted high, the sinless man,
Crucified the spotless Lamb
Buried by the sons of man
But He was rescued by the Father's hand
To reign as King forever, reign as King forever,
Reign as King forevermore

King eternal, God of grace,
We crown You with the highest praise
Heaven shouts and saints adore,
You're Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

What joy in everlasting life,
When all is love and faith is sight
Justice rolls and praises rise
At the name of Jesus Christ,
King of kings forever,
King of kings forever
King of kings forevermore,
You're the King of kings forever,
King of kings forever, King of kings forevermore

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from
the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the
dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Unison Reading: Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Pastoral/Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be your name. Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our
debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem: Living Waters

Are you thirsty, Are you empty,
Come and drink these living waters
Tired and broken, Peace unspoken,
Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling, Find refreshing,
At the cross of living waters
Lay your life down, All the old gone,
Rise up in these living waters

[Chorus]

There's a river that flows, With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God,
There our hope is secure, Do not fear anymore,
Praise the Lord of living waters

Spirit moving, Mercy washing,
Healing in these living waters
Lead your children, To the shore line,
Life is in these living waters

CHORUS

Are you thirsty, Are you empty,
Come and drink these living waters
Love, forgiveness, Vast and boundless,
Christ, He is our living waters

CHORUS

Sermon: “Why Don’t People Believe”

Rev. Randy Jenkins

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. 2 But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God’s word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God. 3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. 6 For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Closing Hymn #450: Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand.
Lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Thro' the storm, thro' the night,
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near
When my life is almost gone;
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Benediction

Response: God Be With You Till We Meet Again

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