Order of Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 28, 2024 – 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"Joy Of The Lord"

Though the tears may fall, my song will rise, my song will rise to You. Though my heart may fail, my song will rise, my song will rise to You. While there's breath in my lungs I will praise You, Lord.

In the dead of night, I'll lift my eyes, I'll lift my eyes to You. When the waters rise, I'll lift my eyes, I'll lift my eyes to You. While there's hope in this heart I will praise You, Lord.

Chorus:

The joy of the Lord is my strength!
The joy of the Lord is my strength!
In the darkness I'll dance, in the shadows I'll sing,
The joy of the Lord is my strength!

When I cannot see You with my eyes, let faith arise to You. When I cannot feel Your hand in mine, let faith arise to You. God of mercy and love, I will praise You, Lord.

Oh, You shine with glory, Lord of light; I feel alive with You. In Your presence now, I come alive; I am alive with You. There is strength when I say: "I will praise You Lord!" *Chorus Twice*

When sorrow comes my way, You are the shield around me. Always, You remain, like courage in the fight.

I hear You call my name. Jesus, I am coming,
Walking on the waves, reaching for Your light! Chorus Twice

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Pastor: 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 servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

GENESIS 9:8-17

⁸ God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ "Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹² And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷ God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

THE EPISTLE READING EPHESIANS 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL MARK 6:45-56

⁴⁵ Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶ And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷ And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸ And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹ but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, 50 for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹ And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, 52 for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. 53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴ And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵ and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

You call me out upon the waters The great unknown where feet may fail. And there I find You in the mystery In oceans deep my faith will stand.

Chorus: And I will call upon Your name And keep my eyes above the waves.

When oceans rise My soul will rest in Your embrace

For I am Yours and You are mine.

Your grace abounds in the deepest waters Your sov'reign hand will be my guide.

Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now. Chorus

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.

Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me.

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander

And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior.

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.

Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me.

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander

And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior. Repeat

I will call upon Your name Keep my eyes above the waves. My soul will rest in Your embrace I am Yours and You are mine.

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THE SERMON REV. A. J. ESPINOSA

"They Didn't Understand About The Loaves"

Mark 6:45-56

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Words Of Institution

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My † blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Way Maker"

You are here, touching ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You. You are here, healing ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You.

You are here turning lives around; I worship You, I worship You. You are here, mending ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You.

Chorus:

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

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You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are. That is who You are.

Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.

Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working. You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop working. Repeat

Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working. You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop working. Repeat

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"When The Fight Calls"

You've overcome this world with love and made my fight Your own. I lift my eyes and throw fear aside and sing out into the night.

'Cause even when the world caves, even when the fight calls, even when the war's waged, I'll take heart.

I know You are greater, forever You are Savior.

I will sing Your praise with all that I have, with all that I am, Lord.

I'll stare down the waves 'cause You own the tide.
I'll still my soul and know
You wait for me on waters wild where faith walks above the storm.

'Cause even when the world caves, even when the fight calls, even when the war's waged, I'll take heart.

I know You are greater, forever You are Savior.

I will sing Your praise with all that I have, with all that I am, Lord.

I will sing Your praise with all that I have, with all that I am, Lord.

I won't let the storm weather my heart, won't let the darkness beat me down.

Sing in the night, my hope alive in You.

I'll walk through the fire and not be burned, pray in the fight and watch it turn.

Jesus, tonight, I give it all to You. Repeat

Even when the world caves, even when the fight calls, even when the war's waged, I'll take heart.

I know You are greater, forever You are Savior.

I will sing Your praise with all that I have, with all that I am, Lord.

With all that I am, Lord.

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be

gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen.

CLOSING SONGS

"Indescribable"

From the highest of heights, to the depths of the sea, creation's revealing Your majesty.

From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring, ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming:

Chorus:

Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky, and You know them by name. You are amazing, God;
All powerful, untamable;
Awestruck, we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing, God.

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go, or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?

Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light, yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom. *Chorus*

You are amazing God. You are amazing God.

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"Making Disciples"

Rushing wind, blow through this place. Light on Your servants with Your grace. Grace for the sheep of Your hand, stirring the water in this land.

Heal the sick and feed the poor, speak to the dark with a mighty roar. Out to the world in Jesus' name, for by Your Spirit we aim.

Chorus:

Making disciples who make disciples, making disciples who make disciples.

Master potter, here we stand. Mold us by Your fervent hand. Give us firm feet of clay, and of our sin, please wash away. Help us keep an open door, working the land from shore to shore. Changing hearts in Jesus' name, for by Your Spirit we aim. *Chorus*

Show us how to move, for our ways are not Your ways.

Jesus' hands and feet in a fallen world.

Changing hearts completely with the water and the word,

With God's love we can do any deed, like

Making disciples who make disciples, Making disciples who make disciples. *Repeat*

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Postlude

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Flower Arrangements

The flower arrangements which grace our altar this weekend are dedicated to the glory of the Lord by **John** and **Karen Egley** in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Keep in Your Prayers

Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:

Brian Adams Terri Green Alexander Hernandez Jeanne Kelly Brad Morton
Don Vick
Karen Whelply