

JACKSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Phyllis K Coates – Pastor

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2nd Sunday of Lent - 4th Week of Black History

Sunday February 25, 2024 – 10:30 A.M.

***BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

***SONG OF PRAISE “When I think of The Goodness of Jesus”**

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Lenten travelers, who is this Jesus that we follow?

A: He is the Messiah.

L: What kind of Messiah is Jesus?

A: He is the Messiah who teaches that he will loss his life and who calls us to lose our lives in order to save our lives.

L: How does it feel to follow a Messiah whose teachings and call are so hard and uncomfortable?

A: Some feel fear and anger, while others feel uncertain and anxious, and still others feel resolute and ready to follow.

L: Lenten travelers, we are not alone in our feelings about following Jesus as our Messiah. It is a hard road. The blessing is that we do not travel it alone.

A: Thanks be to God that we share this journey with Jesus and one another as we lose our lives for the sake of the gospel to save our lives through Jesus, our Messiah. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE “I Love You Lord Today”

OPENING PRAYER:

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom you wilt; put me to doing, put me to suffering; let me be employed for thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee; let me be full, let me empty; let me have all things, let me have nothing; I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE:**

‘All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

BLACK HISTORY MOMENT

WRITTEN WORD FOR TODAY

Mark 8:31-38

SELECTION OF PREPARATION

“Praise Is What I Do”

THE SPOKEN WORD

Pastor Coates

“The Super Hero Solution”

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

TAKING THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

Food for thought: *We may not get all we pay for but we pay for all we get.* **A. Phillip Randolph**

