May 17, 2020 EASTER 6 SUNDAY

Prelude: Valse in C# minor by Chopin Pianist: Bruce Nasmith

Worship Theme & Welcome

Message & Prayer from ARISE Ministry

Call to worship:

"Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of God's praise be heard, Who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried. You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;

You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; Yet you have brought us out to a spacious place." Psalm 66: 8-12

We gather for worship as those whose lives often feel like a test; O God. We gather as those who carry heavy burdens, those over whom there is trouble.

We gather as those who often feel like we're having to journey through burning fire and deep water.

May you bring us to a spacious place, O God, a place of fullness and peace... May you bring us from any victimization we feel to a place of transformation.

ALL: Let us worship God together from wherever we are!

Hymn #314: "God is love: come heaven, adoring"

Soloists: Chris Tanaka-Mann & Heather Brown

Prayer of Approach, Confession & The Lord's Prayer

The Peace of Christ be with you all; And also with you.

Special Music: "Whispering hope" by Alice Hawthorne

Soloists: Erin Stone & Shaun Alphonso, Accompaniment: Bruce Nasmith

Scripture: Psalm 66. 8-20, 1 Peter 3. 13-22

Sermon: From Victimization to Transformation

Special Music: "Pie Jesu" by Faure

Soloist: Anna Bateman, Pianist: Bruce Nasmith Translation: "Merciful Lord Jesus, grant unto them rest, eternal rest"

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Pastoral Concern

Hymn #457: "Now thank we all our God"

Soloists: Elias Theocharidis & Bruce Nasmith

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Piano Postlude: Reverie by Debussy

Pianist: Bruce Nasmith



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