



# Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship  
Sunday, August 16, 2020

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PRELUDE

Tara Zimmerman

[9:55 a.m.]

WELCOME

The ringing of the bell

CALL TO WORSHIP

[Psalm 136: 1-6, 25, Hebrews 12:2, Colossians 1:9-12, Psalm 100:5, 11:3, 145:13]

Give thanks to the living Lord for He is good and righteous.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give thanks to God Who alone has made heaven and earth and does great wonders.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give thanks to God Who gives food to every creature.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give thanks to Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, Who for the joy set before Him, endured the cross, scorning its shame and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the Holy Spirit Who fills us with all wisdom and understanding and strengthens us with all power so we have great endurance to bear fruit and please the Lord in every way.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give joyful thanks to the Father Who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of His holy people in the kingdom of light.

**Your love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the Lord for His dominion and faithfulness which continues through all generations.

**Your love endures forever.**

HYMN

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

**<sup>1</sup> Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not. As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain:

***Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

**<sup>2</sup> Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]**

**<sup>3</sup> Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]**

PRAYERS

Confession

[1 Timothy 6:11]

But you ... flee from all this and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.

Prayer for the people and pastoral prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be Your Name.**

**Your kingdom come; Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Hanging in There

SCRIPTURE

[Romans 15:4]

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Luke 18:1-8; 2 Timothy 3:1-7, 10-13

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Holy, Holy, Holy*  
Tara Zimmerman

arr. Clydsdale

SERMON: Endurance

HYMN

*O Jesus I Have Promised*

**<sup>1</sup> O Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end.  
Remain forever near me, my Master and my Friend.**

**I shall not fear the battle if You are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if You will be my guide.**

**<sup>2</sup> O let me hear You speaking in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.**

**O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control.  
Now speak, and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.**

**<sup>3</sup> O let me feel You near me! The world is ever near.  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but Jesus, draw still nearer, and shield my soul from sin.**

**<sup>4</sup> O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You  
that where You are in glory, Your servant shall be, too.  
Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.**

BENEDICTION

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

POSTLUDE

**If we endure, we will also reign with Christ Jesus.**  
*2 Timothy 2:12*

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