

Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship and Summer Communion Sunday, August 2, 2020

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PRELUDE Tara Zimmerman [9:55 a.m.]

WELCOME and Ringing of the Bell A Note on Communion

CALL TO WORSHIP [Exodus 12:17, Revelation 19:6-10]

Come and celebrate the Lamb, Jesus Christ, with a feast. he lifted us out of our separation from God.

Join the great multitude, who are and will be, shouting, roaring, thundering,

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. We rejoice and are glad and give You the glory!"

Put on the fine linen – the righteous acts of God's holy people – bright and clean, that is given you to wear.

Fall at God's feet in worship. It is the Spirit who bears testimony to Jesus.

HYMN *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

¹ Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for Thee, and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

² Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave, Who rose victorious from the strife for those He came to save.

His glories now we sing, who died and reigns on high, Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

³ Crown him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side. Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends their burning eye at mysteries so bright.

 $^4\,\rm Crown$ Him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in pray'r and praise.

His reign shall know no end and round His pierced feet fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

⁵ Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! for Thou hast died for me. Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

PRAYERS for the People and Pastoral Prayer

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: A Victory Celebration

THE SCRIPTURE: Exodus 12:1-3, 17; Matthew 22:1-14; Revelation 19:6-10

SERMON: A Moveable Feast

ANTHEM The Lord's Prayer Soloist: John Moyer

COMMUNION

Invitation [Luke 13:29]

From east and west, from north and south, people will come and take their places at the banquet in the Kingdom of God.

Call to Confession [Matthew 22:4-5]

Then [the king] sent some more servants and said, "Tell those who have been invited... [to] come to the wedding banquet." But they paid no attention and went off ...

Confession

Assurance of Pardon [Revelation 19:7-8]

Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.

Declaration of Faith

We proclaim that our Lord Jesus was sent by the Father into the world. He took upon Himself our flesh and blood and bore the wrath of God against our sin. We confess that He was condemned to die so that we might be pardoned and suffered death so that we might live. We proclaim that He is risen, has made us right with God and that He shall come again in the glory of His new creation. This we do from now and until He comes again.

Preparation

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread

Breathe

This is the air I breathe. This is the air I breathe: Your holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread. This is my daily bread: Your very Word spoken to me.
And I, I'm desperate for You. And I, I'm lost without you.

[Repeat]

Then add to end: I'm lost without you.

Sharing of the Wine

Salvation Belongs to our God

Salvation belongs to our God Who sits upon the throne and unto the Lamb: Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Be to our God forever and ever. Be to our God forever and ever. Be to our God forever and ever, Amen. [Repeat]

And we the redeemed shall be strong in purpose and unity, declaring aloud: Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Be to our God forever and ever. Be to our God forever and ever. Be to our God forever and ever, Amen.

Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Be to our God forever and ever. Be to our God forever and ever, Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

[Revelation 5:12, 11:17]

Worthy indeed is the Lamb – Jesus Christ – Who was slain, to receive praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength. We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, the One Who is and Who was, because You have taken Your great power and have begun to reign. We thank You that You have fed us this holy meal, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in Your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of Your Spirit to live and work to Your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

My Hope is Built

¹ My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

- ² When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]
- ³ His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]
- ⁴ When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found, dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

POSTLUDE

Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb! Revelation 19:6

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