



Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship
Sunday, September 27, 2020

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*Please stand if you are able. Congregation, please speak the words in **bold**.

PRELUDE

Tara Zimmerman

[9:55 a.m.]

WELCOME

The ringing of the bell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

[from Psalm 18:1-6, 1 Corinthians 10:4]

Pastor: Call to the Lord, Who is worthy of praise.

People: We have been saved from our enemies.

Pastor: In our distress we have called to the Lord; we have cried to our God for help.

People: We will love the Lord, our strength Who hears our voices and cries.

Pastor: The Lord is our fortress and our deliverer.

People: The cords of death have entangled us; the torrents of destruction have overwhelmed us.

Pastor: Take refuge in our rock, our shield and the horn of our salvation.

All: **We come to drink from the spiritual rock – the rock that is Christ.**

*HYMN

A Mighty Fortress

¹ **A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.**

Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe.

His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

² **Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,**

Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask Who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He.

Lord Sabaoth, His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

³ **And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,**
we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.

The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

⁴ **That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;**
the Spirit and the gifts are ours thro' Him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

CONFESSIO

[from Exodus 17:2-4]

They quarreled. They put the Lord to the test. They grumbled against their leaders. They complained and whined rather than trusting. They were ready to riot.

Silent confession

Song

Praise the Name of Jesus

Praise the Name of Jesus. Praise the Name of Jesus.

He's my Rock. He's my fortress. He's my deliverer. In Him will I trust. Praise the Name of Jesus.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Water

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 17:1-7; 1 Corinthians 10:1-5

SERMON: Is the Lord Still with Us?

OFFERING

Rock of Ages

**¹ Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the blood, from Thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure.**

**² Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands.
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone.**

**³ Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling.
Naked, come to Thee for dress, helpless, look to Thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly, wash me, Savior, or I die!**

**⁴ While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.**

PRAYERS 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.**

ANTHEM

You are Mine
Voices of Zion

*HYMN

The Solid Rock

**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 every 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

Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.
1 Corinthians 10:6

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