

Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship Sunday, September 6, 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

ANTHEM How Great is our God Voices of Zion

*CALL TO WORSHIP [Psalm 149:1-6, John 1:1,14; Romans 10:8, 16; Ephesians 6:16-17]

Leader: Praise the Lord now. Sing to the Lord a new song while we are together with God's faithful people.

People: We rejoice in our Maker. We are glad the Lord is Sovereign over all. Leader: Make music to the Lord with lots of instruments and even with dancing.

People: We will, for You, Lord, take delight in we Your people! You crown the humble with victory.

Leader: Come, rejoice in this honor. Praise God and sing for joy, while you are alone, too.

People: We come in thanksgiving that You are the Word, and You took on flesh in Jesus, Who is near us. Leader: Your Word is the mighty and powerful sword of the Spirit in our hands which makes us strong in You.

All: Praise the Lord!

¹ Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy blood was shed for me, and that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

² Just as I am and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, to Thee Whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

- ³ Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!
- ⁴ Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

PRAYERS

Confession [Romans 13:132b-14]

So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 149, Matthew 18:15-20, Romans 13:8-14

HYMN

Open My Eyes

¹ Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unlock and set me free.

Refrain

Silently now, on bended knee, ready I wait Your will to see. Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

² Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth You send so clear, and while the message sounds in my ear, everything false will disappear. Refrain

³ Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere. Open my heart, and let me prepare love with Your children thus to share.

Refrain

SERMON: Be Ye Reconciled

OFFERING

We are an Offering

[Repeat until the offering is complete.]

For the life that You have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are Your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve You, living what we pray and sing.

*HYMN

O Master, Let me Walk with Thee

¹ O Master, let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free. Tell me Thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

² Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love. Teach me the wayward feet to stay and guide them in the homeward way.

³ Teach me Thy patience – still with Thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

⁴ In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only Thou canst give, with Thee, O Master, let me live.

BENEDICTION

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

POSTLUDE

Let no debt remain outstanding except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13:8