

## Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship Sunday, May 16, 2021

Pastor: Bruce Farrell Ministers: All the Faithful Members

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

PRELUDE Tara Zimmerman

WELCOME (Ringing of the Bell)

ANTHEM Someone's Knockin' at My Door

Duet: Rebecca Grumbine and Roberto Marti

\*CALL TO WORSHIP [from today's texts]

Pastor: Come, worship the Sovereign Lord Whose great Name is holy.

People: We come to adore You: You speak. You cleanse us. You give us a new heart.

Pastor: Come worship Jesus, the teacher Who came from God, attested to by signs and wonders. **People: You put Your Spirit in our hearts so we can follow You and enter Your kingdom.** 

All: We are Your people and You are our God.

\*HYMN Revive Us Again

<sup>1</sup> We praise You, O God, for the Son of Your love, for Jesus who died and is now gone above.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! Thine the glory; Hallelujah, Amen! Hallelujah! Thine the glory; revive us again.

- <sup>2</sup>We praise You, O God, for Your Spirit of light, Who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night. [Refrain]
- <sup>3</sup> All glory and praise to the Lamb Who was slain, Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed every stain. [Refrain]
  - <sup>4</sup> Revive us again. Fill each heart with Your love. May each soul be rekindled with fire from above. [Refrain]

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Transplants

## CONFESSION

Call to Confession [Ezekiel 36:31, Hebrews 4]

It is time to remember our evil ways and wicked deeds, loathing ourselves for our sins and detestable practices, but knowing we can approach God's throne through Jesus and will be cleansed from all our impurities.

Responsive Confession [Today's texts]

Pastor: We have been unclean, impure.
People: We have profaned Your holy Name.

Pastor: We have shed blood in our land.

People: We have dishonored Your holy Name by our conduct and actions.

Pastor: We have not listened when You, the Teacher, have spoken.

People: We have defiled Your Name with our idols.

Pastor: Our hearts have been hard as stone.

All: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins: help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

SONG Change My Heart, O God

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; May I be like You. You are the potter. I am the clay. Mold me and make me. This is what I pray.

Assurance of Pardon [Ezekiel 36: 25-27]

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you... And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

SCRIPTURE: Ezekiel 36:16-32; John 3:1-8

SERMON: Echoes of the Holy Spirit #5 Renewal and Deliverance

SONG Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on me. Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on me. Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on me.

GOD'S WORD ON GIVING [Ezekiel 36:26

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you.

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.

\*HYMN

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine
TUNE: AZMON 0 for a 1000 Tongues to Sing

- Spirit divine, inspire our prayer and make our hearts Your home. Descend with all Your gracious power. Come, Holy Spirit, come!
  - <sup>2</sup> Come as the Light. Reveal our need, our hidden failings show and lead us in those paths of life whereon the righteous go.
  - <sup>3</sup> Come as the Fire and cleanse our hearts with purifying flame. Let our whole life an offering be to our Redeemer's Name.
- <sup>4</sup> Come as the Dove and spread Your wings the wings of peace and love, until your church on earth below joins with Your church above.

**BENEDICTION** 

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

**POSTLUDE** 

I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, Who is over all and through all and in all...

You were taught ... to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness...

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with Whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Ephesians 4: 1b, 4-6, 22-24, 30