

# Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

# Worship Sunday, June 12, 2022

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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)

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God finds delight in humanity, and in each of us. Let us rejoice before the majesty of our Creator.

People: God of grace and glory, who made all things, How majestic is your name in all the

L: In Christ, we are called to endure and to hope. Let us give thanks for a faith that brings peace.

P: God of grace and glory, Savior of your people, How precious to us is your gift of Jesus Christ!

L: The Holy Spirit is present to guide and direct us, Let us listen that we may hear and do what is true.

P: God of grace and glory, ever present with us, How reassuring is the love with which you surround us!

\*HYMN of PRAISE

This Is My Father's World

Hymnal #378

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Who has truly listened for the voice of God? Who among us is attentive to the heights and depths in which we are called to live? Who are we that God cares for us? Let us draw near in humility and faith, confessing the distractions that separate us from the mind of God.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Wisdom, our choices have denied you. We drink from the shallow waters of instant gratification when you offer springs of living water from the depths of your love. We pursue our own fame and glory, which crumble into dust when we view the sacrifice and service that build true character. O God, we confess that we have not put first things first. We have not lived up to the crown of glory and honor you offer us. Recall us to awe and wonder and guide us in the ways of truth. Amen.

# ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The glory of God is revealed anew to us in the birth of children. We are reborn when we pause to marvel at the gift of life, when we look beyond ourselves to gaze at the stars. Before the vast mystery of time and space, we are amazed that God cares for us, forgives us, and entrusts to us the stewardship of earth. God's love is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Praise God!

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 24

SERMON: Who Rules?

Special Music "King of Glory" Based off Psalm 24 Sara Jackson

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Compassion in creation
Ordering all things
Hope in chaos
The universe sings
Who is this
Entering into our world?
The King of Glory
Whose love is unfurled

Ascending the mountain
In righteous blessing
The pure of heart
Feel His embracing
Who is this
Inviting us to ascend
The King of Glory
Whose grace will amend

All battles are over
Victory proclaimed
Open up and sing
Evil has been tamed
Who is this
Approaching the temple gates
The King of Glory
Whose peace seals our fates

HYMN O Worship the King Hymnal #6

#### **OFFERING**

#### GOD'S WORD ON GIVING

Our God, who is mindful of us and our needs, sends us into the world to attend to the needs of others. Where there is enmity or suffering or spiritual poverty, we may become channels through which the Holy Spirit acts. When we give our earnings, we extend our influence beyond our own reach. Let us give thankfully and generously.

#### \*OFFERTORY

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be: All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. AMEN.

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Giving God, we are grateful for wisdom, for beauty, for the ways in which we see your glory in all creation. Most of all, we thank you for caring for us and for entrusting to us the ministry of caring for the earth and for one another. May these offerings extend the faith and honor you: Creator, Savior, and Sustainer. Amen.

PRAYERS of 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

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymnal # 355

# **BENEDICTION**

L: God's love has been poured into our hearts. When we give it away, we have even more for ourselves.

P: The Holy Spirit has blessed us with love. The Spirit dwells with us and enable our loving.

L: The Spirit of Truth promises to guide us. When we respond, our lives are deeply enriched.

P: God has crowned us with glory and honor. We are given responsibility to care for God's creation.

L: Wisdom continues as a partner in creation and re-creation. Let us praise the one who has dominion over all.

P: How majestic is God's name in all the earth! We accept the grace and peace God offers. ALL: Amen.

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE and THE POSTLUDE

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