

## Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

## Worship Sunday, June 14, 2020

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

WELCOME

Ringing of the Bell

## PASTORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

[Psalm 63:1-8; I Corinthians 10:4; Romans 7:4]

O God, You are our God. We earnestly seek You here and always. We thirst for You. Our whole beings long for You in a dry and parched land. My brothers and sisters, we belong to another – to Christ Who was raised from the dead. We have beheld Your power and Your glory. We drink from the spiritual rock – the rock that is Christ – so that we may bear fruit for You. Because Your love is better than life, our lips will glorify You. We cling to You; Your right hand upholds us. We will praise You as long as we live and in Your Name we will lift up our hands. Because You are our help, we sing in the shadow of Your wings.

HYMN

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Sing praise to God Who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
 My soul with comfort rich He fills and every grief He gently stills: to God all praise and glory!

<sup>2</sup> What God's almighty power has made, in mercy He is keeping; by morning glow or evening shade His eye is never sleeping.
And where He rules in kingly might, there all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!

<sup>3</sup> We sought the Lord in our distress; O God, in mercy hear us. Our Savior saw our helplessness and came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and praise the Lord, Who is by one and all adored: to God all praise and glory!

<sup>4</sup> Let all who name Christ's holy name give God the praise and glory. Let all who know His power proclaim aloud the wondrous story. Cast every idol from its throne; the Lord is God, and He alone: to God all praise and glory!

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.

SONG

His Strength is Perfect

His strength is perfect when our strength is gone.
He'll carry us when we can't carry on.
Raised in His power, the weak become strong.
His strength is perfect, His strength is perfect.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Alarm Clocks

THE SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 28:58-63; Amos 4:10; Luke 13:1-8 Lector: Neil Boyer

ANTHEM Peace Like a River Jason Dermes, guitar

SERMON: Is COVID-19 a Judgment of God?

**HYMN** 

Lord, Whose Love is Humble Service
TUNE: NETTLETON Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

<sup>1</sup>Lord, Whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, forsaken, worked Your mercy's perfect deed: We, Your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; Consecrating to Your purpose every gift which You impart.

<sup>2</sup> Still Your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As You, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, By Your Spirit send Your power to our world to make it whole.

<sup>3</sup> As we worship, grant us vision, till Your love's revealing light In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear, Stirring us to ardent service, Your abundant life to share.

<sup>4</sup> Called from worship into service forth in Your great Name we go, To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; Hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give That Your children, Lord, in freedom, may Your mercy know and live.

BENEDICTION

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

**POSTLUDE** 

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ

— to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1:9-11