Order of Worship

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, November 8, 2020 – 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

Your Love Awakens Me"

Feel the darkness shaking. All the dead are coming back to life. I'm back to life. Hear the song awaken All creation singing, "we're alive 'Cause You're alive!"

You called me out of the grave. You called me into the light. You called my name and then my heart came alive.

Chorus:

Your love is greater. Your love is stronger. Your love awakens, awakens, awakens me. Repeat

And what a love we've found. Death can't hold us down. We shout it out: We're alive 'cause You're alive! Repeat

Chorus:

Your love is greater. Your love is stronger. Your love awakens, awakens me. Repeat 3 times

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Worshippers are invited to kneel for the Confession and Absolution. Those who desire not to kneel may sit or stand.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God.

All: we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸ Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, ¹⁹ as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. ²⁰ Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹ "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. ²² Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. ²³ Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. ²⁴ But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

THE EPISTLE READING

1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Please stand for the Reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 25:1-13

¹ "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Song

"King Of Glory"

Oh, don't lose heart, O my soul, O my soul. Don't give up; there is hope, there is always hope.

And there is peace in the storm, in the storm. No, don't forget He is Lord, He is Lord of all.

Chorus:

There is a King of glory, there is a God who saves.

One who is strong and mighty, freedom is in His name.

Open the gates of heaven. Lift up a shout of praise.

There is a lion roaring: Jesus, the King of glory.

So lift your eyes, stand in awe, stand in awe.

There is one, only one where my help comes from. *Chorus*

Nations bow, mountains shake at the sound of just one name. Over all Jesus reigns, I know, I know.

Nations bow, mountains shake at the sound of just one name. Over all Jesus reigns, I know. *Chorus*

There is a Lion roaring: Jesus, the King of glory.

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THE SERMON REV. DOMINIC RIVKIN

"Hope in Action" Matthew 25:1-13

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Words Of Institution

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My † blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Revelation Song"

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, Holy, is He. Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's Mercy Seat.

Chorus:

Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come. With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings. You are my everything And I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color. Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder. Blessing and honor, strength and Glory and power be To You the Only Wise King. Chorus

Filled with wonder, Awestruck wonder At the mention of Your Name. Jesus, Your Name is Power Breath, and Living Water Such a marvelous mystery. Chorus Twice

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"Lead Me To The Cross"

Savior I come, guiet my soul, Remember—redemption's hill, Where Your blood was spilled, for my ransom.

Chorus:

Everything I once held dear, I count it all as loss. Lead me to the cross, where Your love poured out. Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down. Rid me of myself, I belong to You. Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.

You were as I, tempted and tried, human. The word became flesh, bore my sin in death. Now, You're risen.

Chorus:

Everything I once held dear, I count it all as loss.

Lead me to the cross, where Your love poured out.

Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down.

Rid me of myself, I belong to You.

Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.

To Your heart. To Your heart. To Your heart. To Your heart.

Lead me to the cross, where Your love poured out.

Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down.

Rid me of myself, I belong to You.

Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.

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THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be

gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Mighty To Save"

So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures. Fill my life again. I give my life to follow Everything I believe in, Now I surrender.

Chorus:

Savior, He can move the mountains, My God is Mighty to save, He is Mighty to save. Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singin' for the glory of the risen King. Jesus, shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singin' for the glory of the risen King. *Chorus*

Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singin' for the glory of the risen King. Jesus, shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singin' for the glory of the risen King.

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A TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS

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We Pray For This Week

Don & Erika Wichmann, Cliff Williamson & Family, Margaret Winn, Blake Witte, Glenn & Maureen Witte, Taylor Brown, Jeff Conrad, Anthony Donatelli, Rick Sanders, Peter Santos

Keep in Your Prayers

Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:

Brian Adams Patricia Howard Maggie Winn

Terri Green Jeanne Kelly Alexander Hernandez Jan Morton

We pray for those who are recovering:

Rocky Hewitt Brad Morton