

Order of Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 2, 2020 – 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

“Your Love Awakens Me”

There were walls between us.

By the cross You came and broke them down, You broke them down.

And there were chains around us.

By Your grace we are no longer bound, no longer bound.

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*

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 Twice*

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, 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.

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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, Who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 55:1-5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Please stand for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 14:13-21

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing.

Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side. Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast— Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!

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THE SERMON

REV. DOMINIC RIVKIN

"More than a Miracle"

Matthew 14:13-21

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

ABIDING PRAISE

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

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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. Amen.

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. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Our God Saves"

In the Name of the Father, in the Name of the Son,
In the Name of the Spirit, Lord, we come;
We're gathered together to lift up Your Name,
To call on our Savior, to fall on Your grace;

Hear the joyful sound of our offering as Your saints bow down,
As Your people sing; We will rise with You, lifted on Your wings,
And the world will see that

Our God saves, our God saves;
There is hope in Your Name; Mourning turns to songs of praise;
Our God saves, our God saves.

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We Pray For This Week

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Ann Reed, Scott & Pamela Reed & Family, Mary Lou Rempert,
Stephanie Rivers & Family, Jamie Robart & Family, Paul & Stacy Rodarte & Family

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
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