Worship Service ~ July 5, 2020 9:00

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast sponsored by Jon & Kate Proulx in memory of Kate's dad Rich Lund.

PRELUDE Festival March from *The Balboa Park Organ Suite* (incorporating Battle Hymn of the Republic and Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing) by Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE

My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing; Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, From every mountainside let freedom ring!

My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; My heart with rapture thrills like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song;

Let mortal tongues awake, let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the \oplus Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. We confess our sin.

~Silence for reflection and self-examination~

L: Reconciling God,

C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen. L: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through \oplus Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE WITH DEACON NINA

SPECIAL MUSIC Lift Every Voice and Sing

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from the 7th chapter of Romans.

Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW page 151 Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

R: A Gospel reading from the 11th chapter of Matthew.

Matthew 11:16-19; 25-30

¹⁶But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #325 I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; In my trials, Lord, walk with me; When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble. Lord, walk with me; When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

TITHES AND OFFERINGS ~ MUSICAL OFFERING "Give Me Jesus" Linda Burk and Nate Bergengren

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: We pray, Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH L: Lord, in your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #314 ARISE, YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey; Show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.

Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door; Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tiding to the poor.

Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born, Bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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