

Bulletin for Sunday, May 10, 2020

Greeting and Welcome

Time of Centering Prayer

Prelude

Response, Sanctuary

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

Call to Worship (responsively)

L: We give praise and thanks to our God,

P: who delivers us from futility and darkened understanding.

L: who is our hope in hard times –

P: our mighty and everlasting hope,

L: who is our joy to please,

P: and our salvation every day.

L: Come, let us worship God!

Hymn, Let All Things Now Living

**Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator
triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who guides us
and leads to the end of our days.
God's banners fly o'er us; God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire
shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward
we travel from light into light.**

**The law God enforces, the stars in their courses and sun in its
orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim the Divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad
adoration a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest hosanna and praise!**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**O God, our God, we confess that we have not always lived for you.
You have invited us into new life, yet we have closed our eyes and ears
and hearts against that invitation. You have shown us the way to love,
yet we have chosen too often the path of uncaring. You have called us to**

the ministry of reconciliation, yet often we find ourselves tempted to turn away from others. You have challenged us to generosity, but many times we would rather keep to ourselves. Enter our lives, God, once again. Release us from the bonds of self-centeredness. Create in us a renewed openness to your love, that we may share your love with others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Pardon and Assurance

Musical Offering

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures, Psalm 112:1-9

Musical Offering

Gospel Lesson, Matthew 5:13-16

Response, He is Lord

**He is Lord, he is Lord, he is risen from the dead and he is Lord.
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess, that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Sermon, "Little Things with Big Meaning: III - Salt"

Hymn, Lord of the Dance

**I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
at Bethlehem, I had my birth.**

Refrain:

**Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.**

**I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance
and they would not follow me;**

**I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came to me and the dance went on.**

Refrain

**I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame,
the holy people said it was a shame;
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
and they left me there on a cross to die.**

Refrain

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;

it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
but I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

A Video Tribute to Mothers!

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Response, Cares Chorus

**I cast all my cares upon you. I lay all of my burdens down at your feet.
And anytime I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.**

Announcements

Hymn, Here I Am, Lord

**I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
Refrain: *Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.***

**I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

Benediction

Bind Us Together

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.**

