

Sunday June 14th, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: Call to the Lord, who hears our prayers.

All: Sing to the Lord, who delights in our songs.

One: Wait for the Lord, the source of our hope.

All: Worship the Lord, who is worthy of our praise.

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn: VU 410 "This Day God Gives Me"

Prayer of Approach (said together)

God of wondrous love, your miracles always catch us by surprise. When our time of blessings comes, may we laugh with Sarah and dance with Abraham. When our bodies are touched by your healing grace, may we bow before your throne of glory. Come to us now as we worship, that we might be touched by your Spirit and made whole by your grace. Amen.

Good News Time

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: VU 266 "Amazing Grace"

Scripture Reading: Genesis 18: 1-15

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

Prayer of Reflection (said together)

Steadfast source of mercy and grace, we long for you to touch our lives, as you touched the lives of Sarah and Abraham; we yearn to laugh at blessings that are so unlikely, we can scarcely believe them; we desire to feel in our very bones that no problem we face is beyond your care.

Grant us the wisdom to put our trust in you, and to offer you our songs of praise and our shouts of joy. Amen.

Time of Reflection

Words of Assurance

One: In God's faithfulness we are made well. In Christ's love we discover righteousness and peace. In the Spirit's sustaining power we find strength for the journey.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem: GENTRI – “Home”

Message: Laughing At God

Hymn: VU 595 “The Servant Song”

The Offering

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

Prayers of the People

Hymn: VU 686 “God Of Grace And God Of Glory”

The Blessing and Benediction

***Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of every day;
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above!
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.***

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Postlude: Simon Khorolskiy and Sounds Like Reign – “Amazing Grace”