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*Our Mission: Shining God's light by... Knowing Christ, Growing in His love, Going where He leads.*

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**June 26, 2022**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**REFLECTION**

**Respect:** We welcome and respect people as they are, providing a safe space for all at any point on their faith journey. We adjust to a changing world by listening to a variety of voices from within and from outside the church. *"Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of another."* ~ Romans 14:13

**PRELUDE**

*He Touched Me*

arr. Phillip Keveren

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

God, who created the fields of Eden, takes delight in all things, including us!

**God of glory, God of grace, your name is exalted in all the earth!**

Christ, who walked the streets of our world, gives hope to all people, including us!

**God of glory, God of grace, your Son is Savior of all creation!**

God's Spirit, who stays in our hearts, bears truth and peace to us!

**God of glory, God of grace, your love surrounds our every moment.**

**\*\*HYMN No. 307**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDA

God of grace and God of glory,  
On thy people pour thy power;  
Crown thine ancient church's story;  
Bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us  
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.

Cure thy children's waring madness;  
Bend our pride to thy control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
Rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.  
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation  
To the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation  
By our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Serving thee whom we adore,  
Serving thee whom we adore.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(In Unison)*

**Look upon us, loving Savior, sift our thoughts and assess our feelings. Deal firmly with those things that have inhibited our love and diverted our energies. Whatever you see as self-righteous, censure, as twisted, straighten, as heartless, soften, as fruitless, prune, as infected, cleanse. Flood your relentless Spirit through our whole being, sweeping away guilt and its lethargy, and by the saving grace of Christ Jesus, heal the hidden springs of our personality. In Jesus' name, Amen**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Poured into our hearts, Christ's grace gives us new life and hope. Touched by the hand of God, we are restored to new life.

**This is good news! Christ loves us, Christ forgives us, God calls us to service! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*\*HYMN No. 591 (Refrain)**

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

HALLE, HALLE

**FIRST LESSON**

*Romans 6:1-11*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

arr. Terre Johnson

**SECOND LESSON**

*Acts 8:26-40*

**SERMON**

*The Church in Acts: Inclusiveness*

Rev. William Schram

**\*\*HYMN No. 319**

*Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing*  
Men of faith, rise up and sing  
Of the great and glorious King.  
You are strong when you feel weak;  
In your brokenness complete.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
Sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.  
  
Rise up, women of the truth.  
Stand and sing to broken hearts  
Who can know the healing power  
Of our awesome King of love.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
Sing to the east and the west.

SMITH

Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.

We've been through fire; we've been through rain;  
We've been refined by the power of his name.  
We've fallen deeper in love with you.  
You've burned the truth on our lips.

Rise up church, with broken wings;  
Fill this place with songs again  
Of our God who reigns on high;  
By God's grace again we'll fly.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
Sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### \*\*HYMN No. 301

#### *Let Us Build a House*

TWO OAKS

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
And all can safely live,  
A place where saints and children tell  
How hearts learn to forgive.  
Build of hopes and dreams and visions,  
Rock of faith and vault of grace;  
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions;  
All are welcome; all are welcome;  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
And words are strong and true,  
Where all God's children dare to seek  
To dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
And as a symbol of God's grace;  
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:  
All are welcome; all are welcome;  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found  
In water, wine, and wheat;  
A banquet hall on holy ground  
Where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
Is revealed in time and space;  
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:  
All are welcome; all are welcome;  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach  
Beyond the wood and stone  
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
And live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
Bear the image of God's face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:  
All are welcome; all are welcome;  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,  
Their songs and visions heard  
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
As words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
Prayers of faith and songs of grace;  
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:  
All are welcome; all are welcome;  
All are welcome in this place.

**\*\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

arr. Carol Tornquist

**\*\*Those who are able may stand.**

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

Rev. William Schram  
Jessica Goodson, Piano  
Alan Smulen, Soloist & Cantor  
Ray Liptak & Rob Thiemann, AV Engineers