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

July 31, 2022

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

REFLECTION

The mission of Oasis is to change the lives of women and children by breaking the cycle of poverty through compassionate programs designed to feed, clothe, educate, and empower women and children in need.

PRELUDE

Were You There

arr. Anthony

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says:

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

**And blessed is the church
that serves with the love of God to break
cycles of poverty.**

****HYMN No. 32**

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day.
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through the Word, and then pronounced them good.

Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, wher'er I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne,

While all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,
And everywhere that we can be, thou God, art present there.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

**Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your way of truth and life.
You call us to share all that we have and work together for the common good, but
we hoard up treasures for ourselves and deny others their daily bread. You call us**

to set the captives free and seek justice for the oppressed, but we don't know where to start. So we don't. You call us to walk in newness of life and to be witnesses to the resurrection, but we dwell in the valley of dry bones and keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us, God of grace. Set us free from sin, death and fear so that we may serve you with gladness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news: God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

****HYMN No. 769, St. 4 & 5**

For Everyone Born

FOR

EVERYONE BORN

For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive.
In anger and hurt, a mindset of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live.
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 1:16-17

SPECIAL MUSIC

Nearer, My God, to Thee

arr.

Tom Trenney

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

James 2:14-17

MESSAGE

Guest Speaker, Jennifer Brady, of OASIS, A HAVEN FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN

****HYMN No. 69**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

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?
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 for hearts alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
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 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.
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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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. 352**
MORNING

My Lord! What a Morning

MY LORD WHAT A

My Lord! what a morning; my Lord! what a morning;
O my Lord! what a morning, when the stars begin to fall,
You will hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations under ground,
Looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord! what a morning; my Lord! what a morning;
O my Lord! what a morning, when the stars begin to fall,
You will hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations under ground,
Looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord! what a morning; my Lord! what a morning;
O my Lord! what a morning, when the stars begin to fall,
You will hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations under ground,
Looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

****BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE
Cindy Berry

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr.

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

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Members of the Worship Committee
Jennifer Brady, Guest Speaker
Jessica Goodson, Piano
Paul Salierno, Cantor & Soloist
Ray Liptak & Rob Thiemann, AV Engineers
Michael Sperazza & Samuel Gyan, AV Team