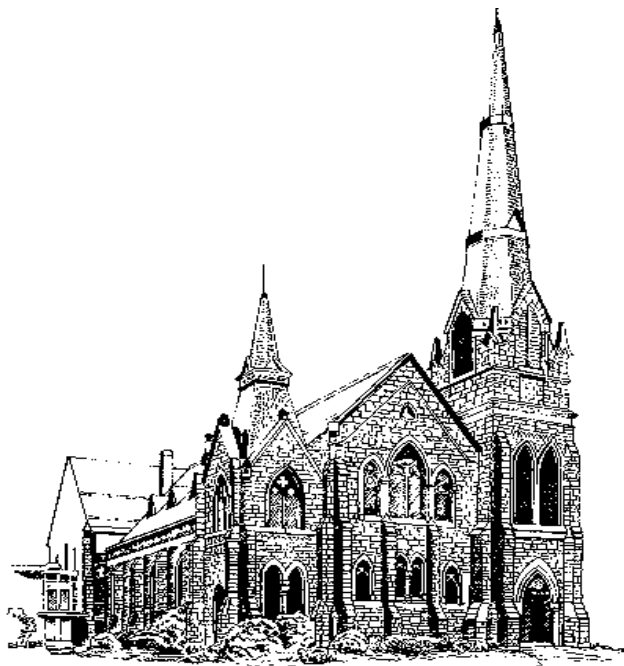


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*Our Mission: Shining God's light by ...
Knowing Christ, Growing in His love, Going where He leads.*

*Sunday, September 3, 2023
10:00 am
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

REFLECTION

“Compassion asks us to go where it hurts, to enter into the places of pain, to share in brokenness, fear, confusion, and anguish. Compassion challenges us to cry out with those in misery, to mourn with those who are lonely, to weep with those in tears. Compassion requires us to be weak with the weak, vulnerable with the vulnerable, and powerless with the powerless. Compassion means full immersion in the condition of being human.”

Henri J.M. Nouwen

*OPENING SONG

“*At Your Name*”

By: Phil Wickham

At Your name, the mountains shake and crumble
At Your name, the oceans roar and tumble
At Your name, angels will bow, the earth will rejoice
Your people cry out

Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord

At Your name, the morning breaks in glory
At Your name, creation sings Your story
At Your name, angels will bow, the earth will rejoice
Your people cry out

Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord

There is no one like our God
We will praise You, praise You
There's no one like our God
We will sing, we will sing
There is no one like our God
We will praise You, praise You
Jesus, You are God
We will sing

Lord of all the earth
We shout Your name, shout Your name
Filling up the skies
With endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout Your name, oh Lord

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

*SONGS

“Come Thou Fount (Above All Else)”

By: Shane & Shane

Come thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Calls for songs of loudest praise

Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it

Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above
Above all else I adore Your name

Above all else tune my heart to sing Your praise
Above all else I adore Your name *REPEAT 3X*

Above all else tune my heart to sing Your praise
The highest praise, the loudest praise
To the name above every name

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

*SONG

"In Christ Alone"

By: Stuart Townend

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again

And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny

No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 26:1-8
Romans 12:9-21

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SERMON

"Being a Loving Light of the World"

Bonnie Chiappetta

*SONG

"All The People Said Amen"

By: Matt Maher

You are not alone if you are lonely
When you're feeling frail, you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God, it's all you need

And all the people said Amen, whoa, oh-oh
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends
And all the people said Amen

If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter
Weak or strong, we know love is what we're after
We're all broken, but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And he so loved the world he sent his son to save us all

And all the people said Amen, whoa, oh-oh
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends
And all the people said Amen

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For their's is a kingdom, the kingdom of God

And all the people said Amen, whoa, oh-oh-oh
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends
And all the people said Amen

And all the people said Amen, whoa, oh-oh-oh
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And all the people said Amen
And all the people said Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

*CLOSING SONG

"In Tenderness"

By: Citizens

In tenderness He sought me
Weary and sick with sin
And on His shoulders brought me
Back to His fold again
While angels in His presence sang
Until the courts of heaven rang

Ooh, the love that sought me!
Ooh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold of God
Grace that brought me to the fold of God

He died for me while I was sinning
Needy and poor and blind
He whispered to assure me
"I've found thee; thou art Mine"
I never heard a sweeter voice
It made my aching heart rejoice

Ooh, the love that sought me!
Ooh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold of God
Grace that brought me to the fold of God

Upon His grace I'll ponder
And sing anew His praise
With all adoring wonder
His blessings I retrace
It seems as if eternal days
Are far too short to sing His praise

Ooh, the love that sought me!
Ooh, the blood that bought me!
Oh, the grace that brought me to the fold of God
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*BENEDICTION

*Please rise in the body or spirit

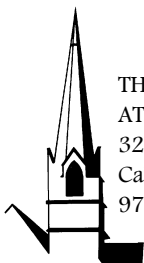
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