

Worship Guide 8/16/20

“Come Alive”

Pentecost 12A

Announcements

- Thank you to all who came out for the dedication of the Little Free Library built in memory of Mel Olver. As we continue to kick off this new ministry, the Deacons encourage you to participate in reading a book about the “pack Horse Librarians” whose goal was to deliver books to remote rural areas. This is the task of the little free libraries around the country, There is a book about this subject for all ages- young children, kids and adults. You can find the titles and details of each of these books in the eblasts. The Deacons are encouraging everyone to read the books in August and in September, they will host a discussion on them either in person or via Zoom.
- In this time when we cannot gather together, we encourage you to continue to send in your pledges by mail.

Gathering

Leader: When hatred and division separate us,

People: God’s love binds us together.

Leader: When quarrels estrange us from one another,

People: Christ’s light shows us the way to reconciliation.

Leader: When we feel excluded and left out,

People: The Spirit’s peace eases our pain.

Leader: When all hope of fellowship seems lost,

People: God’s grace restores our hope.

Leader: Come! Let us worship God, who makes us one.

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Prayer of Confession

Eternal Forgiveness, we have held so tightly to our resentments and bitterness that we are not even aware of the ways they have imprisoned our own spirits. We are a people often bound by our self-righteousness. We are a people many times restricted by our standards of right and wrong. We are a people who have not yet learned how to love with truly generous hearts. And thus, we are limited and restrained; held back and misguided; confined and constrained. Help us to loosen these bonds. Show us the ways of forgiveness that lead us to free others from our anger, and to free ourselves in renewed wholeness. Remind us again of the deep communion within which you created us, and of our relatedness as your children. Lead us to reconnect with each other in joyful abandonment of our hold on brokenness and failures. Show us the ways of subversive forgiveness, which allows us new life and creates the path for healing. Forgive us, we pray, and show us how to forgive.

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Assurance of Pardon

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Song - Holy Water

Verse 1

God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh I need You
Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh I need You

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water (on my skin)

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Scripture: Genesis 45:1-15

Sermon: Coming Alive to Forgiveness

Song - Change My Heart, O God

Chorus

Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You

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Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Verse 2

Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You
Oh God I need You
So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You
Oh God I need You oh

Bridge

I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it ev'ry day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change

Verse

You are the potter
I am the clay
Mold me and make me
This is what I pray

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Song - Living Hope

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

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