

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church

Macon, Georgia

August 9, 2020

Recorded Sanctuary Worship

Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Marcus Tripp

Call to Worship

from Genesis 37:28; Psalm 105:17; Matthew 14:30-31

God lifts us from death to life
and preserves us for God's purposes
through the compassion of Jesus Christ our Lord
and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
With thanksgiving, praise the Lord!

from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion A2

Prayer of the Day

from Matthew 14:22-31

Son of God, you walk on the waters of turmoil
to meet us in the midst of your purposed journey for our lives.
Help us to recognize your presence, remember your promise,
rely on your power, and receive your peace through every storm. Amen.

from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion A2

Hymn 529

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call you to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Proclaiming

Prayer for Illumination

God of our present trouble and promised triumph,
Open our eyes to see you in the midst of our struggles.
Open our ears to hear your words of invitation and assurance.
Open our minds to recall your wonderful works and miracles.
Open our hearts to glory in your name and seek strength in your Word;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 14:22-33

Sung Response

Calm to the Waves

CALM SEAS

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still."
Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

In Over Our Heads

Rev. Dr. Marcus Tripp

Responding

Hymn 476

Lonely the Boat

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Lonely the boat, sailing at sea, tossed on a cold, stormy night;
cruel the sea which seemed so wide, with waves so high.
This single ship sailed the deep sea, straight into the gale;
O Lord, great is the peril, dangers do all assail.

Strong winds arose in all their rage, tossing the tiny lone boat;
waves billowing high, tossing the boat, lost and afloat.
The sailor stood all alone, wondering what to do;
O Lord, so helpless was he, wondering what to do.

Trembling with fear, deep in despair, looking for help all around,
the sailor saw light from above. "Help can be found;
my God is here in my small boat, standing by my side;
O I trust in the Savior, now in my life abide.

"Pleading for your mercy, O Lord, even a sinner like me;
command, O Lord, calm to the sea, as in Galilee!
Please save my life from all danger, grant a peaceful life;
O please be merciful, Lord, in times of calm and strife.

"Storms in our lives, cruel and cold, surely will arise again,
threatening lives, threatening us on life's wild sea.
Powerful and great, God's hand is there, firmly in control.
O Lord, calm peace comes from you, peace comes to my lone soul."

Pastoral Prayer and 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending

Anthem

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Emma Lou Diemer

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high;
hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, O leave me not alone, still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name. I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

Benediction

Worship Leadership:

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