



WELCOME

GOOD TO HAVE YOU WITH US

Order of Worship

November 8, 2020

10:00 a.m. Service

***During this time of social distancing, we ask that all singing and responsive reading be done from behind a mask.
Thank you for doing your part to keep yourself and others safe during the pandemic.***

Prelude

Introit

Lord, We Come to Worship You

Folts

Call to Worship

*Hymn #267

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful: The Lord God made them all.

1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings:
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings.
2. The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,
The sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky, (Refrain)
3. The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden, God made them every one.
4. God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well. (Refrain)

*Call to Confession

Lord God, our Maker and our Redeemer, this is your world and we are your people. Come among us and save us. Help us turn from our self centered and fearful ways.

*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, it is so easy to 'pass by on the other side.' Although we may think that we are helping, we are sometimes in denial. We will let someone else be the helper. They are better qualified. They have more time. They have more energy... better health...more resources and so on. We can often find excuses. But you continue to call us to task.

Forgive us for averting our eyes, closing our ears and ignoring those who need our help. Forgive our arrogance when we make assumptions about those who are poor, without even hearing their story. Forgive us when we forget the stranger, refuse to feed the hungry, or neglect the poor child. Put within us your spirit of compassion so we might meet the needs of the poor in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

In the story of the Good Samaritan we learn about forgiveness and mercy. The Good News is that we, too, fall under the umbrella of Christ's love and grace. Friends, know this: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Hymn #592

The Doxology

*Prayer of Commitment 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 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.

*Choral Response

Anthem

America, the Beautiful

Bates/Ward/Meader

Scripture Reading

Micah 4:1-4

¹In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, ²and many nations shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

³He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; ⁴but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

*Hymn #276

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

²⁷ The man answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

²⁸ And Jesus said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.

³¹ "Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

³³ "But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵ "The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'

³⁶ "Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"

³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy."

Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Sermon Title

Living in the Loopholes
Rev. Tom Coop

*Prayers of the People

*Hymn #369

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1. I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so
God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
2. I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna work so
God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
3. I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna pray so
God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
4. I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so
God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again,
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you,
God be with you till we meet again.

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

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