

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m.

July 26, 2020

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

Bold type is an invitation for all to share in the reading.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Give thanks to God and call on God's name.

All: Sing to God; sing praises to God!

One: Come and worship God with your whole heart.

All: We come as mustard seeds of faith.

One: Come and worship God with your whole being.

All: We come as leaven for the world.

One: Come and worship God with your whole mind.

All: We come as treasures and pearls of great price, enriching the world with our witness.

One: Come and worship God with your whole lives.

And together let us pray.

All: Our gracious and ever-loving God, we come in the midst of summer looking for refreshment. We rest in the knowledge of the wonderful works you have done for us, and of the deep and abiding love you have for us and for all God's people. Search our hearts. Fill our soul with your indwelling Spirit who whispers to our soul that all will be well if we but trust in you. Shine your light before us, that we may see our path to you and to your kingdom on earth. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn "This Little Light of Mine"

UMH #585

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We have heard your word spoken. Now, may that word grow in our hearts and our lives, that we may work together to build a world where all may share God's abundant life. Amen.

THE HEBREW READING Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

THE EPISTLE READING Romans 8:35-39

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Kingdome of Heaven"

Rev. Jane Kim

***HYMN**

"El Shaddai"

Chorus

El Shaddai El Shaddai El Elyonna Adonai

Age to age You're still the same

By the power of the name

El Shaddai El Shaddai

Erkamkana Adonai

We will praise and lift You high

El Shaddai

Verse 1

Through Your love and through the ram

You saved the son of Abraham

Through the power of Your hand

You turned the sea into dry land

To the outcast on her knees

You were the God who really sees

And by Your might

You set Your children free

Verse 2

Through the years You made it clear

That the time of Christ was near

Though the people couldn't see

What Messiah ought to be

Though Your Word contained the plan

They just could not understand

Your most awesome work was done

In the frailty of Your Son

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another. *(From UMH page 7)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you search our hearts to see all the good, all the challenges, and all the obstacles in our lives. You remember the times we have turned away from you – the times we have forgotten that we are your beloved children. Forgive us when we do not act as your faithful followers. Remind us that we are a part of your family. May your Son, Jesus Christ, intercede in our lives to bring us grace and healing. Help us be your followers and share your story with the world. In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

WORD OF ASSURANCE

Beloved children of God, nothing in this life can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Receive the forgiveness of God, and go forth to be the loving community of faith. Amen.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

Christ reminds us that our treasures, our gifts from God, are most beneficial when they are used for the kingdom of God. May this be the time when we bring forth our gifts to be blessed by God.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *“Cares Chorus”* TFWS #2215

April Lorenzi – Praise Dance

I cast all my cares upon you,
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,
and anytime that I don’t know what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon you.

*DOXOLOGY *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* UMH #95

HYMN *“Because He Lives”* UMH #364

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Almighty God, there are treasures all around us – family, friends, your abiding presence, and the love of Christ Jesus. Bless these gifts we return to you now. Bless them, that others might come to know the true treasures of your love and grace. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

HYMN *“Because He Lives”* UMH #172

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: With a song of praise on our lips,

All: we go forth with God.

One: With the love of God in our hearts,

All: we go forth with God.

One: With a commitment to usher in God’s kingdom,

All: we go forth with God.

One: With all that we are and all we can be,

All: we go forth to bring the kingdom of God wherever we go.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share his love and peace with one another.

PLEASE JOIN CUMC COFFEE HOUR AT 11 A.M.

OUR WORSHIP HAS

ENDED

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