# Washington Street United Methodist Church



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Washington Street UMC ~ Sanctuary Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing our life and growth in Christ

June 14, 2020

Second Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME (Instructions for Interactive Worship)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You may want to read two passages before the service: Genesis 18:1-15 and 21:1-7 and Romans 5:1-8. You are invited to sing along with the hymns and to join in with the prayers as printed in the worship guide and on the screen.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 368 My Hope Is Built THE SOLID ROCK

(vs. 1-2)

- 1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. *Refrain:* On Christ, the solid rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
- 2. When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain:* On Christ, the solid rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

Maria Beery, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ Words: Edward Mote, 1834; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1863

### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

HYMN 178 Hope of the World VICAR (vs. 1, 2, 4)

1. Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion, speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent.

Save us, thy people, from consuming passion, who by our own folks hopes and aims are spent.

- 2. Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven, bringing to hungry souls the bread of life, still let thy spirit unto us be given, to heal earths wounds and end all bitter strife.
- 4. Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us from death and dark despair, from sin and guilt,

we render back the love thy mercy gave us; take thou our lives, and use them as thou wilt.

Maria Beery, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ Words: Georgia Harkness, 1954; Music: V. Earle Copes, 1963

**PROCLAMATION** 

"Laughing at Hope"

#### PRAYERS OF RESPONSE

Lord, in these times, when we fear we are losing hope or feel that our efforts are futile, let us see in our hearts and minds the image of your resurrection, and let that be our source of courage, strength and hope. With that, and in your company, help us face challenges and struggles against all that is born of injustice. Amen. \*\*

SOLO Amazing Grace arr. Jay Althouse

Maria Beery, soprano; Dr. Rick Frierson, piano

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and merciful God, we know that when we offend another, we offend you. We are aware that we have often allowed the shadow of hate to cloud our souls, hiding the light from our unseeking eyes. We have said unpleasant and hurtful things to our brothers and sisters when they failed to live up to our expectations. Grant that we might find that spark of love that ever burns within us, the love that you have shown to us even when we failed you. Fan the embers of that love until it roars again in flames of love, peace, and reconciliation. Forgive us our sins and help us to forgive those who have sinned against us. Lead us into new life through your Son Jesus Christ, who died for the sins of all. Amen.

(UM Book of Worship, 1989; MICHAEL J. O'DONNELL, U.S.A., 20TH CENT.)

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HYMN 2219 (TFWS) Goodness Is Stronger than Evil

Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate; light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.

Victory is ours, victory is ours through God who loves us. Victory is ours, victory is ours through God who loves us.

Maria Beery, soprano; Dr. Rick Frierson, piano Words: Desmond Tutu, c. 1994; Music: John Bell, 1996

BENEDICTION read by Kathy Wright, authored by Bishop Woody White

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## **FLOWERS**

The altar flowers used in our worship service today were given by Harvey and Ann Jessup to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jennie Curtis and Esther Lanier, their first friends at Washington Street.



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