Worship Service ~ September 26, 2021, 9:00 18th Sunday after Pentecost/Women of Faith Sunday

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast is sponsored by Mary & Tony Buck in honor of daughter Savannah's birthday!

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OPENING HYMN

ELW #723 CANTICLE OF THE TURNING stz 1, 2
My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?
My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and world is about to turn.

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me, and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.
My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and world is about to turn.

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

~Silence for reflection~

L: God our comforter:

C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

L: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Generous God,

C: your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

SPECIAL MUSIC "Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun" arr. Jacob

Weber; Bells of Faith, Dean Jensen, director

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW page 151 ALLELUIA

R: A Gospel reading from the 19th chapter of John.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

John 19:25-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." 27 Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #666 WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

stz 1, 2

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

MESSAGE Kaycee Stanley, CEO of The Reel Hope Project

MUSICAL OFFERING "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee" by Camille Saint-Seans; Faith Online Choir; Linda Burk, director; Alan Ball, piano

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God of abundance,

C: you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C. Amen

SENDING SONG ELW #843 PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light; praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight. Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease, calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word; praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two-edged sword.

Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand; from this well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place; Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done. Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the One who makes us one.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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