

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, etc. Thank you!

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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*"A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ
with a hurting world through words and actions."*



June 20, 2021 LAITY SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Cantabile Lasky

WELCOME Robin Webb

***OPENING HYMN 126** Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, sing praises.

People: We will declare God's deeds among the people.

Leader: Shout for joy, you children of the Most High.

People: God remembers the needy and gives hope to the poor.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, sing praises.

People: We will declare God's deeds among the people.

OPENING PRAYER - When the storms of life crash around us, O God, be our quiet center. When adversaries gather against us, Holy One, be our refuge and strength. Give us the confidence of David, that we might place our trust entirely in you. And give us the assurance of the psalmist, that we might know the glory of our salvation. With joyful hearts and ready minds, we pray for your grace this day. Amen.

***RESPONSIVE READING 744** Psalm 9:9-20

Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion!

Tell among the peoples God's deeds!

The Lord who avenges blood is mindful of them,

and does not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Be gracious to me, O Lord! See what I suffer from those who hate me;

You are the One who lifts me up from the gates of death, that I may recount all your praises, and, in the gates of the daughter of Zion, rejoice in your deliverance.

The nations have sunk in the pit which they made:

their own foot has been caught in the net which they hid.

The Lord is made known! The Lord has executed judgment!

The wicked are snared in the work of their own hands,

The wicked shall depart to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

Arise, O Lord! Let not mortals prevail:

let the nations be judged before you!

Put them in fear, O Lord;

let the nations know that they are mortal!

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** – We believe in three divine persons in one God: We believe in the Creator, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Savior, Jesus Christ, eternally begotten of the Creator, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Creator. Through Christ all things were made. For us and for our salvation, the only Begotten came down from heaven and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, was born of the virgin, Mary, and became human. For our sake, Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate, suffered, died, and was buried, but on the third day rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures, then ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Creator. One day, Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and God’s kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Creator, and who, with the Creator and the Begotten, is worshiped and glorified. The Spirit has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER 328 SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD *(By Lanny Wolfe)*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. *(1977 Lanny Wolfe Music)*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

On Eagle’s Wings
Adult Choir

arr. Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY – We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the Attendance Card including any special prayer requests you may have and place them in the offering basket.

HYMN OF PREPARATION 332 Spirit of Faith, Come Down

SPECIAL VIDEO

Reconciling Ministry

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-31 (NIV)

Pattie Gritzan

13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. **14** They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. **15** As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; **16** but they were kept from recognizing him. **17** He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” They stood still, their faces downcast. **18** One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the

only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

19 “What things?” he asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. **20** The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; **21** but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. **22** In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning **23** but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. **24** Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

25 He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! **26** Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” **27** And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. **28** As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. **29** But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them. **30** When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. **31** Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.

MESSAGE:

Mind Your Gaps

Jeremiah Appleton

CLOSING SONG DO IT AGAIN *(by Elevation Worship)*

Walking around these walls, I thought by now they’d fall, but You have never failed me yet.
Waiting for change to come, Knowing the battle’s won, For You have never failed me yet.

Your promise still stands, Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness.
I’m still in Your hands, this is my confidence, You’ve never failed me yet.

I know the night won’t last, Your word will come to pass, My heart will sing Your praise again.
Jesus You’re still enough, Keep me within Your love, My heart will sing Your praise again.

Your promise still stands, Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness.
I’m still in Your hands, this is my confidence, You’ve never failed.
Your promise still stands, Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness.
I’m still in Your hands, this is my confidence, You’ve never failed me yet.

I’ve seen You move, You move the mountains And I believe, I’ll see You do it again.
You made a way, where there was no way And I believe, I’ll see you do it again. (x3)

Your promise still stands, Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness
I’m still in Your hands, this is my confidence, You’ve never failed
Your promise still stands, Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness
I’m still in Your hands, this is my confidence, You’ve never failed me yet

You’ve never failed me yet, And I never will forget (x2)

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

***The People Stand**