

WORSHIP OVER THE WEB

Welcome to our worship, please be patient with us, we're trying to figure this out together.



PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT OF QUIET

Our service begins with the ringing of a bell and moment of intentional quiet.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Clergy Leader Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **God's mercy endures for ever.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

God of Love, you know our inner-most thoughts and the deepest secrets of our hearts. Holy Spirit, move into our lives with your mercy and forgiveness, cleanse us and make us whole, so that we are ready to serve you and your creation with love. **Amen.**

Clergy Leader Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Clergy Leader Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Clergy Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Clergy Leader Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The People Sit

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Clergy

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130

Typically, we read the Psalms responsively. While separated, let's read the Psalms in unison as a symbol of our enduring connection.

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.**
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?**
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.**
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.**
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.**
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;**
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

11:20-45

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Jimmy Bartz, Brian Nystrom

During our time of worship over the web, our sermons will be a conversation among the clergy leading worship.

CHRISTIAN AFFIRMATION IN A TIME OF UNCERTAINTY

**We believe in God the Creator;
who reminds us, in the drawing of every new day,
that new life is possible.**

**We believe in the wonder and grandeur of a universe
where the whole of life is called to live
in harmony of care**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
who prayed in the mountains of peace,
and brought us the Word
in mustard seeds and fig trees of blessing,
whose footsteps touched the earth in love
and who invites us to follow.**

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Tim & Shawn Adams
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Tim & Carol Sandlin
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**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
whose wisdom often lies
embedded in ancient peoples.
They trod lightly across deserts and
lived gently among plants and creatures.
They reached respectfully for the mystery,
which is God with us,
the one who never leaves us or forsakes us.**

**We believe in the everlasting hope,
the great calling of the people of God, the church,
for the transforming of all things,
which is possible in God.
Amen.**

MUSIC

Kirsten Farney, vocalist, David Wagner, piano

Music has the ability to transport and transform us. In times that are disturbing, dark and difficult we look to music to inspire hope, light and peace. A haunting yet familiar tune imbued with uplifting lyrics already committed to memory can metamorphose into an anthem for these times - a way of rewriting our story from the recycled bones of old ones, reminding us of a truth we always knew but forgot.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Clergy Leader and People pray responsively

Clergy Leader

With all our heart and mind, let us pray to God, saying: O God, in your goodness, hear our prayer.

In this time of confusion, vulnerability and uncertainty, let us pray to God.

O God, in your goodness,

hear our prayer.

That our spiritual leaders may serve your people in ways that demonstrate your love and healing power, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,

hear our prayer.

That the leaders of this nation, and all others in authority, may be guided by your Wisdom, and find strength and courage to know and accomplish your purposes in the midst of these troubling times, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,

hear our prayer.

That all peoples of the earth, especially the most vulnerable among us, be kept safe, let us pray to God. For the special needs of our congregation, especially those on our parish prayer list.

People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.

O God, in your goodness,

hear our prayer.

That we, your people may find joy in compassion and unity, that we may find new ways to connect and love one another, let us pray to God. In thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

O God, in your goodness,

hear our prayer.

That we may have patience as your work in the world unfolds. That we do not fall into despair but rise in hope, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,
hear our prayer.

That those who have died may find peace and joy among the communion of saints, let us pray to God.

People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.

O God, in your goodness,
hear our prayer.

Clergy Leader

God whose vision spans all the ages of the earth, help us to see beyond this moment and to embrace the wider perspective of your whole creation. Deliver us from fear and lead us into a way of love and justice that makes room for all peoples. Send your Spirit among us that we may know the healing power of your love. All this we ask through your son, Jesus, the reconciler of the world. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people

THE PEACE

The People stand as able

Clergy Leader

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

POSTLUDE

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