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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“God can heal our broken pieces. . .”

-Rev. Penny Crudup

Celebration of Worship
Sunday, August 2, 2020
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Words of Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Pat Youngdahl

Chime

Introit

I've Got a Feelin'

Congregational Praise Song

***"I've got a feelin' everything's gonna be alright, (3X)
Be alright, be alright, be alright.***

The Holy Ghost done told me everything's gonna be alright. . ."

*Call to Worship

One: Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Many: Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

One: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

**Many: Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.**

*Hymn **332**

Live Into Hope

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1. Live into hope of captives freed,
Of sight regained, the end of greed.
The oppressed shall be the first to see
The year of God's own jubilee!

3. Live into hope of liberty,
The right to speak, the right to be,
The right to have one's daily bread,
To hear God's word and thus be fed.

2. Live into hope the blind shall see
With insight and with clarity,
Removing shades of pride and fear—
A vision of our God brought near.

4. Live into hope of captives freed
From chains of fear or want or greed.
God now proclaims our full release
To faith and hope and joy and peace.

*Centering Prayer (unison)

Songs of praises we sing to you, Amazing God. Every day you bring us over from fear to hope, from complacency to caring, from giving up on the world to taking part in the creative ferment that your prophets call justice and peace. Thank you for our common humanity. We all thirst for water. We all hunger for bread. We all need kindness. Let our days be shaped by the courage we meet in Jesus, who dared to say yes to your love. Amen.

First Reading

Psalm 17:6-7, 15

Music for Reflection

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Calvin Hampton

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice,
Which is more than liberty.
Was there ever kinder shepherd
Half so gentle, half so sweet,
As the Savior who would have us
Come and gather at His feet?

For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of our mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.
As our love grows ever deeper,
We reflect God's living word;
And our world becomes illumined
By the kindness of our God.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1854; revised
Celie Katovitch and Pat Youngdahl, 2018

Second Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Meditation

Rev. Penny Crudup

Music for Reflection

Beauty for Brokenness

Graham Kendrick

“Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair
Lord, in our suffering, this is our prayer
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace
Sunrise to sunset Your kingdom increase!

Refrain: God of the poor, friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame

Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned, our future, our dreams
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed
Make us content with the things that we need. (Refrain)

Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame
Until your justice burns brightly again
Until the nations learn of your ways
Seek your salvation and bring you their praise. (Refrain)”

Prayers of Healing and Transformation

Prayer of Jesus

**Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit come!
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Spirit, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Benediction

Postlude

Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

F.L. Eiland

“Time is filled with swift transition,
Naught of earth unmoved can stand,
Build your hopes on love eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Refrain: Hold to Her/His hand, God's unchanging hand,
Hold to Her/His hand, God's unchanging hand,
Build your hopes on love eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Trust in Him who will not leave you,
Whatsoever years may bring,
If by earthly friends forsaken
Still more closely to Him cling.”

Text: Jennie B. Wilson, alt.

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