

# Welcome to Worship

## We Are Glad You Are Here!

August 30, 2020

13th Sunday After Pentecost

10am

### WELCOME TO THIS DAY OF WORSHIP.

We are glad you have joined us in the presence of God. Though we have been through a summer like no other, God's love for us and God's desire to seek us out has not diminished.

Out of our lost-ness God's is creating new-ness.

### PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

*Sabbath is not simply the pause that refreshes.  
It is the pause that transforms.*

Walter Brueggemann

### SONG OF INVITATION "Love Can Change the World"

1. Bridges are more beautiful than bombs are; bridges are more beautiful than bombs  
An open hand is stronger than a fist is; an open hand is stronger than a fist

#### **Chorus**

But Love – Love can change the world  
Oh do we still believe that love – Love can change the world  
Oh do we still believe in love – love  
God is Love, our God is Love and love can change the world

2. Listening is louder than a lecture; listening is louder than a shout  
Wonder is more valuable than Wall Street; wonder is more valuable than gold **Chorus**

#### **Bridge**

May we never stop this dreaming of a better world. May we never stop believing in the impossible  
**(repeat)**

Lower voices: repeat Bridge    Higher voices: God is love

#### **Chorus**

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP – Sue Dever

### HYMN OF ADORATION "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak)"

Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone.  
As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children, lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet.  
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious truths which you impart.  
And wing my words that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow  
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where  
until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **RESPONSE SONG** “The Same Love”

You choose the humble and raise them high; You choose the weak and make them strong;  
You heal our brokenness inside and give us life.

The same love that set the captives free, the same love that opened eyes to see  
is calling us all by name; You are calling us all by name;

The same God that spread the heavens wide,  
the same God that was crucified is calling us all by name; You are calling us all by name.

You take the faithless one aside and speak the words, “You are Mine;”  
You call The cynic and the proud, “Come to Me now.”

The same God that spread the heavens wide,  
the same God that was crucified is calling us all by name; You are calling us all by name.

Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_

You’re calling, You’re calling, You’re calling us to new life;  
You’re calling, You’re calling, You’re calling us to new life. **(repeat)**

The same God that spread the heavens wide,  
the same God that was crucified is calling us all by name; You are calling us all by name.

Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_ Oh; \_\_\_

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION – John Stroeve**

### **SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Old Testament** Hosea 11:1-10

**Gospel Reading** Luke 15:1-10

### **MESSAGE**

Rev. Dr. Bob Stebe

“God’s Rag Tag Army”  
A Story by Martin Bell

## **OFFERING OF SELF AND SERVICE**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## **HYMN OF DEDICATION** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land,  
I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;  
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

*End of Worship...Beginning of Service*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Your offerings help us continue our mission and ministry.** Though we cannot physically meet our spiritual connection depends on your contributions. Please continue your generosity. You can mail your check, bill pay through your bank or HPC Online Giving. Scan this to donate.



**ZOOM FELLOWSHIP, SUNDAY AT 11:00am** – After this time of worship grab a cup and a cookie and just the HPC community in an online gathering on the Zoom app. Use this link to login: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8737009240>

**NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 6 at 10:30am – SPECIAL ECCUMENICAL WORSHIP LIVE ZOOM FORMAT will bring us together with other local churches. Watch for special instructions next week.** This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year we have joined together over Labor Day weekend to celebrate our common calling as God's people. Spread the word.