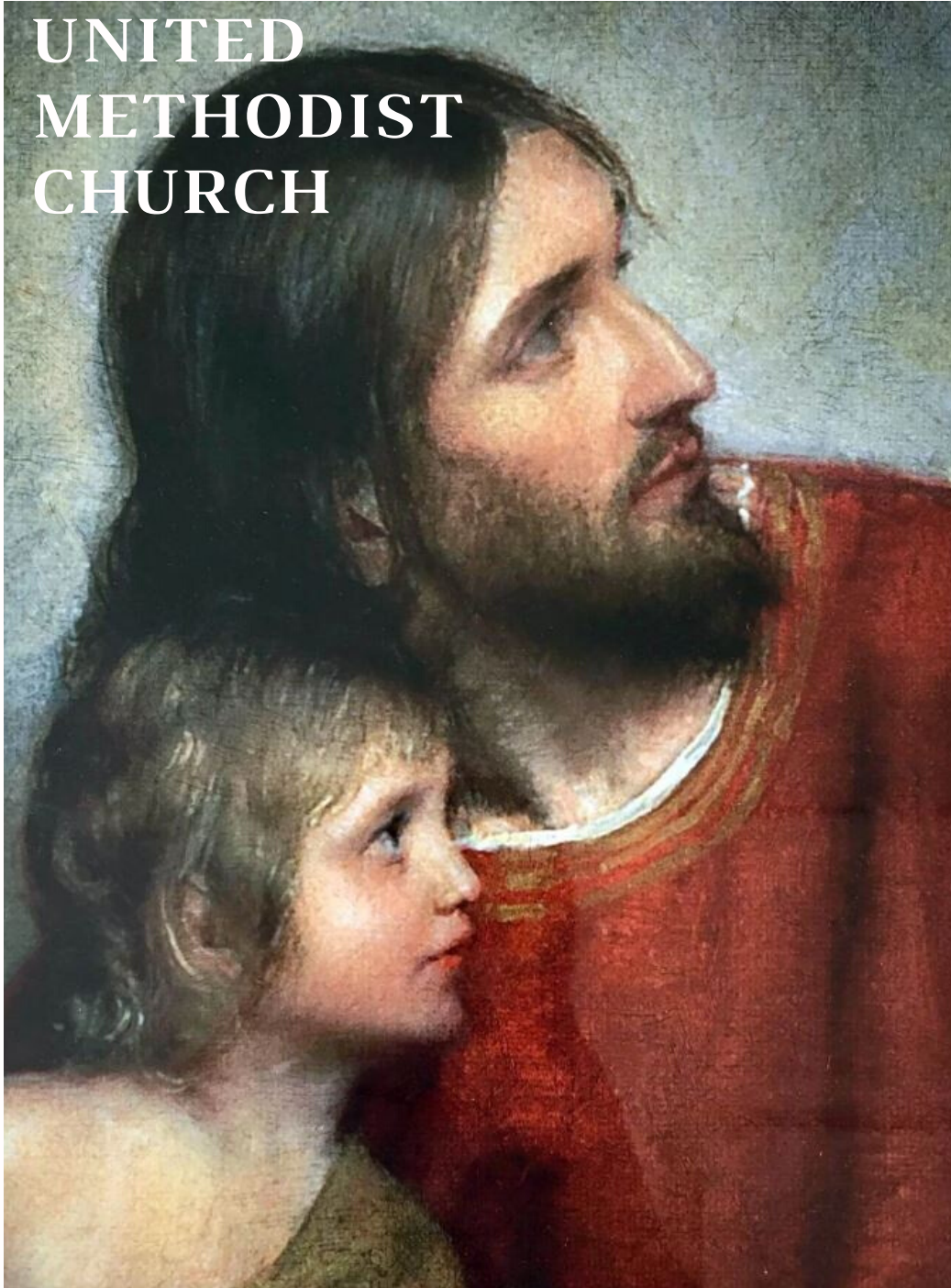


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Sunday Worship Bulletin

March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday in Lent

CALL TO WORSHIP BELL PEAL

GREETING

+HYMN 384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.*

*Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.*

*Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.*

*Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

+SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

God is our hiding place.
God will keep us in these uncertain times.
Let us be glad in the Lord, and rejoice.
Let us shout for joy and praise God's name in song!
In this time of change, let us say to one another, the peace of Christ be with you!

+SUNG RESPONSE 383 vs. 4

*Christ is alive, and goes before us
to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.*

+PSALTER 848 Psalm 130, with sung response

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
Lord, hear my voice!
*Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!*
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
*But there is forgiveness with you,
that you may be worshiped.*
I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
in the Lord's word I hope;
*my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.*
O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
with the Lord is plenteous redemption
*And the Lord will redeem Israel
from all iniquities.*

Britt Skarda

BEECHER

Rev. Jay Clark

BEGINNINGS

James Maase

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
"A Prayer Amid an Epidemic" Kerry Weber, Executive editor of America

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.

+GOSPEL Matthew 6:19-20

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"Investing in Love"
Sermon Series: Get Fit: Exercising Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life

+HYMN 172 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

*My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
for thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*I love thee because thou hast first loved me,
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Steal Away to Heaven"

LaSheena Gordon, Soprano

+PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS WITH DOXOLOGY 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Lost in Wonder, Love, & Praise" by John R. Killinger

*I believe in God, who created the world and filled it with
awesome beauty.
I believe in Christ, whose resurrection has changed the way
we look at life and death.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, whose presence enables me to
sing and laugh at misfortunes.
I believe that God has manifested himself or herself in
these three ways, and in many other ways besides, and
that this manifestation continues wherever I am and
whatever happens to me, as long as I have eyes to see
and ears to hear.
And because I believe in God, I believe in prayer, which is
the way I listen and hear God speaking, and the way I
learn to serve God in the world.
I am here today in order to pray, and, when I have prayed,
I believe that my life will be stronger, better, and more
centered in God's will. Amen.*

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+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.*

+INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

+HYMN 386 "Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown"

*Come, O thou Traveler unknown, whom still I hold, but cannot see!
My company before is gone, and I am left alone with thee.
With thee all night I mean to stay, and wrestle till the break of day;
With thee all night I mean to stay, and wrestle till the break of day.*

*I need not tell thee who I am, my misery and sin declare;
thyself hast called me by my name, look on thy hands, and read it there.
But who, I ask thee, who art thou? Tell me thy name, and tell me now.
But who, I ask thee, who art thou? Tell me thy name, and tell me now.*

*Yield to me now, for I am weak, but confident in self-despair!
Speak to my heart, in blessing speak, be conquered by my instant prayer.
Speak, or thou never hence shalt move, and tell me if thy name is Love.
Speak, or thou never hence shalt move, and tell me if thy name is Love.*

*'Tis Love! 'tis Love! Thou diedst for me, I hear thy whisper in my heart.
The morning breaks, the shadows flee, pure, Universal Love thou art.
To me, to all, thy mercies move; thy nature and thy name is Love.
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+BENEDICTION "Freedom in Christ"

*Gracious God,
make me sensitive to all the evidences of your goodness;
and may I, trusting in you,
free myself of the terror of death,
and feel free to live intensely and happily
the life you have given me. Amen.*

+BENEDICTION RESPONSE 408 vs.

*Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.*

+POSTLUDE "How Firm a Foundation"

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