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CENTENNIAL MULTICULTURAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 30th, 2020 – 10:00am – Facebook, YouTube, and ZOOM
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost: Year A

Summer 2020 Worship with the NIC Cabinet

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| Prelude | “Same Power” arr. by David Wise performed by the Crystal Lake Celebration Singers, First Church UMC, Crystal Lake |
| Welcome and Greeting | Rev. Jeffry Bross, Aurora District Superintendent |
| Call to Worship | Rev. Arlene Christopherson, Assistant to the Bishop and Director of Connectional Ministries |

Sing praises to God, O you saints, and give thanks to God’s holy name!

We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!

We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.

You turn our mourning into dancing!

Our souls cannot be silent!

O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you forever!

(Book of Worship #453)

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| Invitation to offering & Prayer | Rev. Jacques Conway, Chicago Southern District Superintendent |
| Offering Music | “Draw the Circle Wide” by Mark Miller and Gordon Light performed by the Chicago Northwestern District Combined Choir |
| Prayers of the People | Rev. Darneather Murph-Heath, Elgin District Superintendent |

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison):

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison):

God of all creation, as we offer our gifts to you this day, we remember the questions Jesus put to his disciples, "Who do people say that I am? But who so you say that I am?" We pray that we might be ready to answer with our lips, but also with our lives and with our gifts: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God!" In his holy name, we pray. Amen. (Matthew 16:13-20)

SPECIAL MUSIC:

Erica Kessler

Jerusalem, My Happy Home
Traditional American, arr. Anna Laura Page

THE GREAT COMMISSION:

MATTHEW 28:16-20

A reading from Matthew . . .

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Leader: The Word of God
People: Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

MATTHEW 16:13-20

Hear the Word of God in the Gospel according to Matthew the 16th chapter, beginning with the 13th verse.

13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" 14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ

1st Scripture Lesson Rev. Fabiola Grandon-Mayer, Rockford District Superintendent
Isaiah 11:6-9 (CEB)

The wolf will live with the lamb,
and the leopard will lie down with the young goat;
the calf and the young lion will feed[a] together,
and a little child will lead them.
The cow and the bear will graze.
Their young will lie down together,
and a lion will eat straw like an ox.
A nursing child will play over the snake's hole;
toddlers will reach right over the serpent's den.
They won't harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain.
The earth will surely be filled with the knowledge of the Lord,
just as the water covers the sea.

Saint Francis' Prayer

Please join Bishop and the Cabinet in prayer

**Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

2nd Scripture Lesson Rev. Brian Gilbert, DeKalb District Superintendent
Ephesians 6:10-18 (NRSV)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

Summer 2020 Worship with the NIC Cabinet

Sermon Bishop Sally Dyck, Northern Illinois Conference
 "Deep Peace and the Peaceable Kin-dom"

Closing Hymn Rev. Dr. Tércio B. Junker
 Dean of the Chapel and Director, Course of Study Program
 Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
 "Doce Paz" ("Sweet Peace")

Paz,
que a doce paz,
de Jesus Cristo,
seja sobre nós,
nossas casas e famílias,
hoje e eternamente,
hoje e para sempre.
Seja sempre assim, seja.
Amém.

Paz,
la dulce paz
de Jesucristo,
venga_a_este lugar,
a las casas y familias,
hoy y_eternamente,
hoy y para siempre.
Sea siempre así, siempre.
Amén.

Peace,
may Christ's sweet peace,
come to all in this place
and everywhere,
come to shelters and to families,
here and far away,
now and evermore.
May we live in peace, always.
Amen.

Benediction

Rev. Martin Lee
Director, Congregational Development and Redevelopment

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At Home: *Nancy O'Leary, Micaela Serrano, Aida Bejesus, Cleo English, Jo Harrington, Carol Waxler, Lee Magnuson, Aylin, Fredy & Eugenio Mejia.*

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BIRTHDAYS

8/17 Carmen Garza
8/17 Pam Sanders
8/20 Brian Jaworowski
8/21 Jennifer Risenhoover Berry
8/22 David Russ
8/23 Terrica Roberts
8/27 Vincenzo Brown
8/28 Linda Gentry

We hope you will worship with us again.

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