

## *Falls Village Congregational Church*

*June 21, 2020 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost*

*Order of Worship*

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### **Welcome and Words of Introduction**

#### **Prelude**

#### **Call to Worship - form Isaiah 55**

Seek thee Lord, while the Lord may be found.

**Call upon the Lord, while the Lord is near.**

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return until they have watered the earth,

**Making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater.**

So shall my word be that goes from my mouth,” says the Lord. “It shall not return to me empty,  
but shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”

#### **Hymn 234 Crown Him with Many Crowns**

**Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.**

**Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.**

**Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,**

**And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave,**

**And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;**

**His glories now we sing who died, and rose on high,**

**Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.**

**Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways**

**From pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.**

**His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet**

**Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side,**

**Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.**

**All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;**

**Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.**

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Most holy God, we await the touch of your Spirit with eagerness. We ask that you enter the lives of each on us today, refreshing, renewing and healing us with the power of your loving Spirit, that we may live with purpose, enthusiasm and courage after the manner of Jesus, who was truly whole. Amen.**

#### **Call to Confession**

##### **Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Lord of heaven and earth: we confess that often we come to you with no great excitement. We are so intent on our own needs, so concerned with the pressing details of our own lives, that we**

miss the life you give. When we are unfocused in our worship and listless in our service, Lord, have mercy on us. Restore us to the life that dances and sings, a life which engages our world in obedience to Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Responsive Reading – Psalm 40:1-3, 9-11, p. 740**

**Response: God, your mercy is upon us as we place our trust in you.**

I waited patiently for the Lord, who inclined to me and heard my cry,

**who drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,**

**and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure,**

who put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord R**

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;

**see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O God.**

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;.

**I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness**

**from the great congregation.**

Do not, O God, withhold your mercy from me;

**Let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever. R**

**Gloria Patri**

**Offering of the Peace**

**Old Testament Scripture –Deuteronomy 6:1-9**

**New Testament Scripture- I Timothy 4:1-16**

**Sermon – Giving Advice**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn 545 He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!**

**He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!**

**Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.**

***Refrain:* He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me:**

**His faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.**

**Lord, I would place my hand in thine, not ever murmur nor repine;**

**By waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis thy hand that leadeth me. *Refrain***

**And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the victory's won,**

**E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God thro' Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain***

**Benediction**

**Postlude “God Be with You till We Meet Again”**