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Parking lot worship for

Sunday, January 10, 2020

Worship Leader: Rev. Roy Rogers

Organist: Kathy Bowe

Thanks for attending our drive-in worship service. Please remember the guidelines below:

- The church will be open for restroom use only.
- The rules for social distancing remain in effect. Stay a minimum of 6 feet from each other and wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose.
- Scrip will be available for purchase before and after worship. We ask that when purchasing scrip cards that only one person be at the scrip table at a time.

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

JOURNEY CALL TO WORSHIP

God of the open road,

God of the twisting path,

God of the narrow and upward way,

your people are gathered for worship!

In this hour, give us provision for the journey,

courage and faith and compassion,

and endurance to face any hardship.

Open our eyes to see you walking beside us,

protecting us, encouraging us, loving us.

We pray this in the name of Jesus,

who moves us, Amen

OPENING PRAYER

Father, As we gather together, we praise You for this day and Your purpose for it. Reset our agendas, as we sit in Your presence. For You assure us that where

two or more gather in Your name You are here. Recalibrate our intentions and refocus our hearts. Your will for our lives does not always reflect our plans. Change them to reflect Your will. Help us to understand that we don't need full clarity to walk into the unique purpose You've inlaid in our lives. In Jesus' Name, Amen

SONG # 359

“Blessed Assurance”

READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 5:1-24

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, ‘Do you want to be made well?’ The sick man answered him, ‘Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Stand up, take your mat and walk.’ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, ‘It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat.’ But he answered them, ‘The man who made me well said to me, “Take up your mat and walk.” ’ They asked him, ‘Who is the man who said to you, “Take it up and walk”?’ Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, ‘See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you.’ The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the sabbath. But Jesus answered them, ‘My Father is still working, and I also am working.’ For this reason the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because he was not only breaking the sabbath, but was also calling God his own Father, thereby making himself equal to God. Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing; and he will show him greater works than these, so that you will be astonished. Indeed, just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whomsoever he wishes. The Father judges no one but has given all judgement to the Son, so that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Anyone who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.

John 11:14-44

Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

SERMON

"The Prolepsis Sermon"

SONG # 390

"It is Well with My Soul"

PASTORAL PRAYER...LORD'S PRAYER (Each petition ends with "Father, We Pray...")
Congregation responds: **Thank you for everything.**

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.

DISMISSAL AND BENEDICTION

... POSTLUDE

Those in our thoughts and prayers:

Joys:

Families who have lost loved ones:

Those struggling with health issues:

Warren Fidlin
Macullen Schnell (friend of Tasha Rabe)
Polly Jeanty
Dan Wempner
Ross Westphalen
Julia
Theo Marcus
Bonnie Neuhaus (mother of Dawn Muehlbauer)
Karen Schlegel
Jane Markelz
Dale Horneck
Olivia Marie
Jessica Horneck

Those unable to worship with us:

Merlin and Doris Mae Nimmer, Carol Meiselwitz,

Other concerns:

Division in the U.S.	Racial Justice and equality in our country
Health Care workers	Those whose businesses are struggling
Those who are out of work	People who live in places where violence prevails.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- We need your help! We are looking for any one who is able to shovel snow from sidewalks around the church. There is also a snowblower available for your use. Contact Louie Bowe if you can help.
- This holiday season, the Sunday School is collecting items for the Treffert Center in Fond du Lac. The Treffert Center offers services to children with autism, behavioral and communication disorders, in addition to preschool and after-school programs. Materials in need are:
 - Packs of Construction Paper · Play-dough · Play-dough tools · Kinetic Sand · Children's Paint Brushes · Water color paints · Shaving Cream · Bubbles · Larger plastic beads to string · Yoga Balls · Markers · Arts and Crafts Supplies (pom poms, trinkets, glitter, beads, etc.) · Blue Painters Tape
 - A box is located near the church entrance. Monetary donations are also accepted. Collections will be taken through the month of January.
- Christmas lights not working? Don't throw them away - Bethlehem recycles them! Place them beneath the mail boxes and the proceed help support the Building Maintenance Fund.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Jan 24 – Annual meeting

Jan 31 – Cook meat for Chili Supper

Feb 3 – Chili supper

This Week at Bethlehem:

Today, Sunday 1/10: 9:30a Drive-In worship; *Happy Birthday Harrison Zorn, Arlyn Retlich, Steve Rumpff and Rich Schmitt!*

Monday 1/11:

Tuesday 1/12: 6:30 pm Consistory (virtual); *Happy Birthday Kamlynn Rumpff!*

Wednesday 1/13:

Thursday 1/14: *Happy Birthday Shirley Henschel and Mekenzie Biwan!*

Friday 1/15: *Happy Birthday Judy Mueller and Bill Biwan!*

Saturday 1/16:

Sunday 1/17: 9:30a Drive-In worship;

Pantry item: Can of Soup