

PRESQUE ISLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ

May 1, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

Greeting and Welcome

Daniel Jackson, Worship Leader

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Call to Worship¹

(Inspired by Psalm 30)

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones.
God hears us in our fear and our sorrow.
Where there was no way,
God leads us in a new way
Where there was no mercy,
God surprises us with fresh mercy
Where there was weeping,
God invites us to step into a new dance.

Opening Prayer (Unison)²

Faithful God, you draw near to us in our joy and in our grief, in our hope and in our despair. When we are bowed down, you raise us anew. We turn to you now in search of your healing touch. God of compassion and love, move among us this hour. Open our eyes, dispel our fears, and show us the real life you have to offer. We pray this in the name of the Risen One, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Introit

We Walk By Faith³

Marty Haugen

Opening Hymn

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult⁴

Prayer of Confession

You speak to us in many ways, in the spectacular and through the quietest whisper, in the bustle of city streets, the solitude of a desert place, and in the ebb and flow of daily life. You speak to us in many ways, yet our ears are often tuned to different voices; louder, more insistent voices, attractive voices. Forgive us when we fail to hear your word. Forgive us when we disappoint you. Open our ears to hear and our hearts to service. Through the risen Christ we ask this. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

God's anger lasts but a moment, but God's favor lasts a lifetime. The Lord forgives our shortcomings and sends deliverance through Christ. Thanks be to God.

¹ Rev. Susan A. Blain. Posted in Worship Ways on <http://uccfiles.com/> Copied from <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

² Posted on the United Church of Christ's **Worship Ways** website. <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/> Copied from <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

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⁴ Advocate Virtual Choir, Episcopal Church of the Advocate, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Tune: William H. Jude (1851-1922); Text: Cecil Alexander (1818-1895). Public Domain.

Scripture Reading

John 21:1-9

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.

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| Message | <i>Only Faith Remains</i> | Daniel Jackson |
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| Musical Selection | <i>Be Thou My Vision</i> ⁵ | Daniel Jackson |
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| Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer | <i>(forgive us our sins...)</i> |
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| Closing Hymn | Lord, Help Me to See Your Face ⁶ |
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Benedicton

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⁶ Youth Choir of St. Anthony and St. Victor, Tamuning in Guam. Text and Tune: Jesse Manibusan. Permission to print/podcast/stream granted by One License #A-726652.