



Donelson Heights United Methodist Church
June 13, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgist: Jennifer Sychareune



Prelude

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: God loves us. God cares for us. God blesses us. God tends to us.

People: We are God’s precious fruit and faithful seed.

Leader: God hears us. God helps us. God trusts us. God tries us.

People: Sometimes we are more faulty seed than precious fruit.

Leader: But, no matter what, we are God’s.

All: Let us worship the God who grows us.

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Opening Prayer

(Unison)

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

(RUTH DUCK, U.S.A., 20TH CENT.)

Hymn of Praise

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

UMH 154

1. All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall, let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
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2. Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, ye ransomed from the fall, ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
3. Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget the wormwood and the gall, the wormwood and the gall,
go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.
go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.
4. Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
5. Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call, who from his altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse’s Rod, and crown him Lord of all.
extol the Stem of Jesse’s Rod, and crown him Lord of all.
6. O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.
We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

Scripture

Psalm 20

Offering/Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Regina Hall

Hymn

“This Is a Day of New Beginnings”

UMH 383

1. This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that’s gone.
2. For by the life and death of Jesus, God’s mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.
3. Then let us, with the Spirit daring, step from the past and leave behind
our disappointments, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.
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.

Prayers of the People/Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Regina Hall

Anthem

“Joyful, Joyful”
Sanctuary Choir

arr. by Tim Hayden

Sermon Text

2 Corinthians 5:6-7, 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

“Growing Into a New Creation”

Rev. Regina Hall

Closing Hymn

“Hymn of Promise”

UMH 707

1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; in cocoons,
a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
2. There’s a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there’s a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
3. In the end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Benediction

Rev. Regina Hall

Postlude

“We Walk in Faith”

arr. by Gordon Young

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