



LA JOLLA
UNITED METHODIST

The Body of Christ: Raised in Glory

Sunday, February 20, 2022

7th Sunday after Epiphany

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WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Prelude

Trumpet Tune

arr. S. Drummond Wolff
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Introit:

O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord

Donald Moore
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Welcome

† Opening Music

This Is a Day of New Beginnings (vs. 1-4)

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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's 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.

Blessing for Children

Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.
A time of silence will indicate when you may share one name or very short phrase to add.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Scripture

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 (NRSV)

But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Scriptural Response

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem:*Be Still*Mary McDonald
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Rev. Bob Rhodes

WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Response in the World**Invitation to the Offering****Offertory***The Constant Heart*Annabel S. Wallace
©1950 Lorenz Publishing† **Doxology***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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Confession, Assurance, and Peace - Liturgist

All: **Holy One, Guardian of our souls, lead us into the light. You alone know the secret places of our hearts, the dark places where we hide from your presence. You alone understand our pride and envy, the strife we would pursue against others, our self-imposed limits of belief and faithful action. We ask for your forgiveness. Shine your light in our darkness, that we may see you more clearly and choose the light of your blessings, and the glory of your mercy and grace. Amen.**

Liturgist: God forgives our iniquity, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy. God removes our transgressions from us, as far as the east is from the west. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

† **Closing Music**

And Are We Yet Alive

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1. And are we yet alive,
and see each other's face?
Glory and thanks to Jesus give
for his almighty grace!
2. Preserved by power divine
to full salvation here,
again in Jesus' praise we join,
and in his sight appear.
3. What troubles have we seen,
what mighty conflicts past,
fightings without, and fears within,
since we assembled last!
4. Yet out of all the Lord
hath brought us by his love;
and still he doth his help afford,
and hides our life above.
5. Then let us make our boast
of his redeeming power,
which saves us to the uttermost,
till we can sin no more.
6. Let us take up the cross
till we the crown obtain,
and gladly reckon all things loss
so we may Jesus gain.

Benediction

Postlude

Postlude in D Major

arr. Hal H. Hopson
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